



**SOUTH PACIFIC UNDERWATER MEDICINE SOCIETY
39TH Annual Scientific Meeting
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The Asian Hyperbaric and Diving Medicine Associations
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**DECOMPRESSION AND HYPERBARIC MEDICINE INTO THE 21ST
CENTURY
May 23rd – May 28th 2010**

Venue: *Berjaya Redang Resort, Redang Island, Malaysia*



First Call for Abstracts, Conference Information and Registration Forms



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THEMES:

**Advanced Decompression Management
Hyperbaric Medicine in the critically injured patient
Expanding use of Hyperbaric Medicine for other conditions**

Keynote Speaker:



▪ **Dr Michael L Gernhardt, PhD**

Dr Michael Gernhardt is the manager of the Environmental Physiology Laboratory and is the Principle Investigator of the 'Pre-Breath Reduction Program' at Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas. He is also a NASA Astronaut and has completed 4 missions on the Space Shuttle and has accumulated over 43 days in space including 4 spacewalks totalling 23 hours and 16 minutes. He also has a history of commercial diving working from 1977 until 1984 as a commercial deep sea diver in subsea oil fields with experience in air, mixed gas, bell and saturation diving systems. He has post-graduate training in decompression bubble modelling from the University of Pennsylvania and has managed to be able to develop decompression models that he has managed to deploy in operational systems in the real world.

He has several awards including four NASA Flight Medals, two Exceptional Service Medals, one Exceptional Achievement Medal and one Distinguished Service Medal.



ABSTRACTS:

Abstracts for presentation should be submitted before March 31st 2010 on the included instruction for authors. Abstracts should be a maximum of 300 words and have a maximum of 5 authors and 4 references (in Vancouver format). All accepted abstracts will be able to present as a poster and the scientific committee will select papers for oral presentations. Oral presentations will be of 12 minutes duration and have 3 minutes of question time. Intending speakers are reminded that it is SPUMS policy that their presentation is published as a full paper in *Diving and Hyperbaric Medicine*. The Editor will contact speakers prior to the meeting.

Papers should reflect the theme of the conference: Diving, flying (including aeromedical retrieval), space exploration, future synergies in diving accident management, systems of care and treatment, however all free papers relevant to Diving Medicine will be considered.

If you wish to present a paper please contact the convenor.

SPUMS ASM 2010 Convenor

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Conference Registration Form, ASM 2010 Redang Island, Malaysia

Members (SPUMS/UHMS /EUBS/HTNA) before April 15th 2010: FullReg. AUD \$850.00
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Accompanying ADULT (before April 15th 2010, no web discount) AUD \$220.00
Accompanying CHILD (before April 15th 2010, no web discount) AUD \$100.00

For each Registration fee paid after 15th April 2010 ADD Late Fee AUD \$100.00

PLEASE NOTE: WEBSITE FULL REGISTRATION RECEIVES A DISCOUNT OF AUD \$30.00

Registration may also be made paid via credit card or cheque to the SPUMS Administrator
CREDIT CARD: (circle card name) Visa Mastercard

Name on card _____

Amount AUD\$ _____ Date ___/___/___ Expiry Date ___/___

Card Number: _____

Signature: _____

CHEQUE: I enclose a cheque (made out to SPUMS) in Australian Dollars for \$..... for the registration fee. (make cheques payable to SPUMS in AUD\$)

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I understand that:

- 1. The registration fee is required at the same time as my booking for accommodation/travel;
2. The registration fee may be refunded upon cancellation of booking provided SPUMS is notified at least 30 days before departure;
3. The registration fee covers costs of the conference facilities, the costs of the Guest Speakers, SPUMS convenor and administrator, Welcome Cocktail Party and the Gala Dinner;
4. Accompanying partner registration fee covers the cost of the Welcome Cocktail Party, the Gala Dinner and administration costs;
5. Fees DO NOT INCLUDE THE COSTS OF DRINKS AT THE GALA DINNER; and
6. If the appropriate SPUMS registration fee (including the late fee of \$100 if paid after April 15th 2010) is not received then my accommodation/travel will not be confirmed.

I accept the booking conditions for all persons nominated on this form. I accept that my booking will not be confirmed unless I have paid the appropriate Registration fees for all persons concerned.

Authorised Signature:

Return this form to:

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ABOUT MALAYSIA:

Malaysia is a well-developed country particularly in the larger cities. It has a population of approximately 25,715,819 (July 2009 est) and consists of four main ethnic groups, Malay (50.4%), Chinese (23.7%), Indigenous (11%), and Indian (7.1%). Islam is the main religion (approximately 60%) but Malaysians are generally tolerant of other religions.

HEALTHCARE:

In Malaysia this is highly variable. Some centres have state of the art equipment as good as any western hospital with western trained doctors. Others are not so good. On Redang there is a small clinic and if required a fast boat can take people to the mainland for treatment. There is also a good emergency helicopter service from the mainland if required. The nearest large medical facility is at Kuala Terengganu less than an hour away by fast boat.

IMMUNISATION/PROPHYLAXIS:

There have been no cases of Malaria or Dengue Fever at Redang Island and prophylaxis is not required. In the larger cities on the mainland there is no malaria but any side trips to the northern part of Malaysia in particular should get advice. As with all trips, tetanus and other standard immunisations should be considered.

WATER SANITATION:

Although it is technically safe bottled water should be drunk rather than tap water due to failures of purification. The resort does have boiled then cooled water for table jugs in the restaurant.

MONEY:

The official currency of Malaysia is the Ringgit (MYR). As of January 2010, \$1 AUD= \$3 MYR. The hotel and most tourist locations can change money. Things can be charged to your rooms and the bill can be paid via any normal credit card. In the major airports you can get Ringgits via credit card EFTPOS at the labelled terminals.

INSURANCE:

ALWAYS take out travel and diving insurance. Any injury will be expensive to treat and diving injuries may require evacuation which can run into the tens of thousands \$USD. Please insure your luggage and diving equipment as well.

DAN Diving insurance (www.danasiapacific.org) is recommended as it is cheap and facilitates rapid transport to an appropriate facility for treatment and care.

The South Pacific Underwater Medicine Society takes no responsibility for any actions or losses incurred during this conference or in getting to or getting home from the conference. The onus is on the registrant to take appropriate insurance.

CHILDREN: (12y or under)

Children are welcome to the conference and there is a planned series of events for children including bush walking, crab races and games. There may be a fee required for some of these events and you can enquire with the resort staff regarding this.

Children accompanying fee includes their meal and soft-drinks/juices at both the 'Cocktail' evening and the 'Gala' Dinner.

GALA DINNER:

Accompanying persons fees and Full Registration allow entry to the 'Gala' Dinner where the awards will be presented. Also the theme is '**LOUD HAWAIIAN SHIRT**' so a prize will be given to the winner with the loudest Hawaiian Style shirt. A judging panel of Committee Members shall make the decision on the night.