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Aerospace medicine 801 (LRG 801)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Health Sciences

Module credits 25.00

Language of tuition English

Academic organisation Division of Aerospace Medicine

Period of presentation Year

Module content

The purpose of this module is to teach the fundamental aspects of aerospace medicine Topics addressed in this module include:

The atmosphere of the earth and other planets in the solar system; cardiovascular and respiratory physiology; hypoxia and hyperventilation; oxygen equipment, pressure clothing and spacesuits; spacecraft and aircraft cabin pressure, pressure change and it's biological effects; subatmospheric decompression sickness; effects of acceleration; head injury and protection; thermal stress; noise and vibration; physiology of sleep and wakefulness; optics and vision; spatial orientation in flight; cosmic radiation; physiological effects of microgravity.

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