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Dear Mal,

My heartfelt gratitude goes out to you for so many reasons after working with you over the last several months. When the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation began organizing the HBOT2016 conference, we set an agenda to bring speakers in who are involved in the most avant garde work around the world in hyperbaric medicine. Whether in research venues or in clinical access, we felt it critical to expose our delegates to a broad spectrum of advances to this amazing modality of healing and therapeutics. We knew your situation in Australia had generated great political and regulatory difficulties and thought it might be too much to ask you to come to the United States for our scientific meeting.

We are certainly glad you decided to press on to Louisiana. Your presentations were among the best received. Our delegates' review of your lectures were peppered with many great comments. You were at the top of all the assembled luminaries in the review of speakers data that was collated at the conference. That clearly does not happen on charm alone in this group of critical thinkers who have had to battle against so many fronts to continue to care for their patients in the face of so many economic barriers. The underfunded hyperbaric research community has had similar difficulties but without the blatant close-mindedness of trade restrainers and interference from the larger medical profession and regulators.

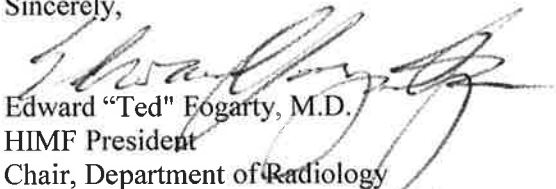
As someone who interprets musculoskeletal and spinal MRIs on a daily basis, your approach to metabolically quieting chemotaxis and cytokines in the treatment of disc disease is innovative and ultimately a great cost savings to the usual treatment course when surgery might otherwise be endeavored. The neuroplasticity approach to physical rehabilitation in combination with "molecular" rehabilitation via HBOT that you have incorporated into the care of children with gait abnormalities from neurological conditions such as cerebral palsy has truly generated astounding and obvious clinical results. Performance athletes and professional contact sports teams are in need of the metabolic stimulation of repair that hyperbaric medicine affords to improve their work product. You have shown Australians that an organizational approach can leverage the performance benefits of hyperbaric therapy to benefit an entire team's ranking. The world's sports industry may have a few billionaires interested in hiring you to work with their physicians as the premier "metabolic conditioning" coach.

Clearly your pioneering spirit and deep study of the world's literature have brought you to a unique place in the world. As you so eloquently stated in New Orleans, access to our own metabolic, genetic and proteinomic cellular assets through HBOT is truly becoming a "human rights" issue. Conversely, the economic, regulatory, professional and infrastructure barriers to access of this centuries old idea is a grave omission in the education of our world's physicians. Economic influences in the politics of medicine across much of the English-speaking world of science suggests that protectionism of proprietary medical advances might explain the lack of media coverage in the advances of hyperbaric medicine. What other medical intervention can resuscitate a life so far gone into death as we saw with Dr. Keith Van Meter's lecture? How many children or young adults are in a persistent obtunded state waiting to be recovered by HBOT such as Curt Allen was by Dr. Paul Harch?

All of us in the hyperbaric scientific community recognize the growing body of research that stem cells are released at remarkable levels by the stimulus of HBOT. Our fellow human beings should have access to their own stem cells as a human right, and our economies might agree better with the markedly improve resource utilization when oxygen saturation technology such as this becomes a force multiplier of our own "natural" healing resources. Arduous is the mission here of course, but the overall benefit to society and our national economies cannot be denied in the use of pressure vessels with the ultimate nanotechnology of unpatentable molecular medicine.

Your efforts in society are applauded by rest of us on the board of the IHMF, not only as a brilliant lecturer who has had a 2-decade involvement with the IHMF-HBOT conferences and shared collegiality but as a true humanitarian. With the future of the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation firmly grounded by the growing global interest in hyperbaric medicine, it is a great honor to have you serve on the board of directors. Our international community of learned global citizens in this revolutionary approach to improvement of the human condition will have a "friend of science" in you that truly works for the benefit of fellow humans. As we move forward together in developing international standards of care and practice tiers, it will be a goal for us to help you establish hyperbaric practice guidelines among varying professional classes within the Australian Health Practitioners Regulatory Agency. Thank you again for coming to America, exposing our delegates to such progressive healthcare ideas, and accepting the board position on the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation.

Sincerely,



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