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High Altitude Decompression Research and Diving Tables



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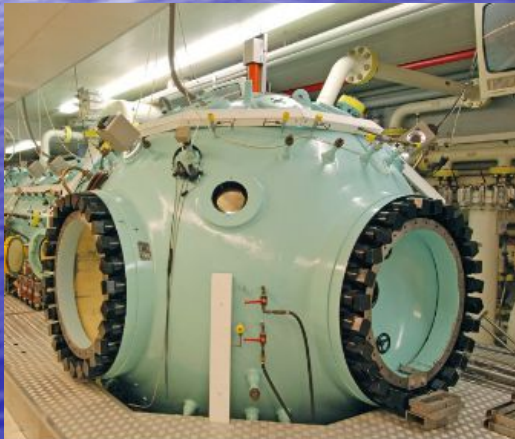


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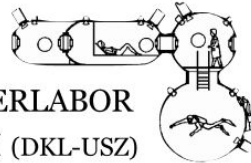
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Pressemitteilung

Horgen, 12.01.2017

Bühlmann's Forschungsdruckkammer vom Untergang bedroht.

Beschäftigt man sich mit der Anschaffung eines Tauchcomputers, stösst man praktisch automatisch auf das „Bühlmann-Modell“. Die Druckkammer, in der diese Dekompressionsalgorithmen entwickelt wurden, ist akut von der Verschrottung bedroht. Ein Grossteil der heute verkauften Tauchcomputer arbeitet mit Dekompressionsalgorithmen, die auf dem Bühlmann-Modell basieren. Prof. Albert Bühlmann verfügte ab 1974 über eine Forschungsdruckkammer am Universitätsspital Zürich (USZ), in der er seine Berechnungen bis auf Tiefen von über 500m überprüfen konnte. Der Tauchpionier Hannes Keller, der als erster Mensch im Freiwasser die 300m Grenze mit Heliox überschritt, gab den Anstoss zur tauchmedizinischen Forschung in der Schweiz. Für die Ölindustrie war diese Tiefe notwendig um am Rand der Kontinentalschelfe nach Öl bohren zu können. Deswegen finanzierte sie den Bau des Druckkammerlaboratoriums grösstenteils. Der Aviatik-Ingenieur Benno Schenk konstruierte eine Druckkammer die aus einem zylindrischen Teil mit Vorkammer und zwei Kugeln bestand, von denen eine mit Wasser gefüllt war, um „nasse“ Tauchgänge zu ermöglichen. Sie wurde komplett in der Schweiz hergestellt und konnte sowohl Druckverhältnisse herstellen, wie sie in 1000 Meter Wassertiefe herrschen, als auch solche in 10'000 Meter Höhe über dem Meeresspiegel, was das Laboratorium für die Erforschung höhenmedizinischer Fragestellungen ebenso nutzbar machte. Nachdem in diesem Laboratorium und im Freiwasser internationale bedeutende Erkenntnisse gewonnen wurden, die teilweise bis heute Gültigkeit besitzen, führten Sparzwänge am USZ letztlich dazu, dass die Kammer im Jahr 2005 geschlossen werden musste. Die Druckkammer existiert zwar noch, ist aber inzwischen nicht mehr betriebsfähig. Im Zuge der umfangreichen Baumassnahmen am USZ wird das Gebäude in dem sich das ehemalige Labor befindet in einigen Jahren abgerissen und die eindrucksvollen Reste dieser Experimental-Druckkammer sollen verschrottet werden. Eine Gruppe aus ehemaligen Mitarbeitern, Probanden der Tieftauchversuche, Tauchern und Tauchmedizinern versucht die Kammer vor dem Schmelzofen zu bewahren und sie als Hauptexponat für eine Museumsabteilung über die Dekompressionsforschung „made in Switzerland“ zu erhalten. Unter der URL www.druckkammer.ch gibt es weitere Infos inklusive Fotogalerie und geschichtlichem Überblick.

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**Don't let the DKL die,
don't leave it to the
cutting torches!**

**You can
change it!**

Questions ?

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**A tribute to
Prof. A.A. Bühlmann**

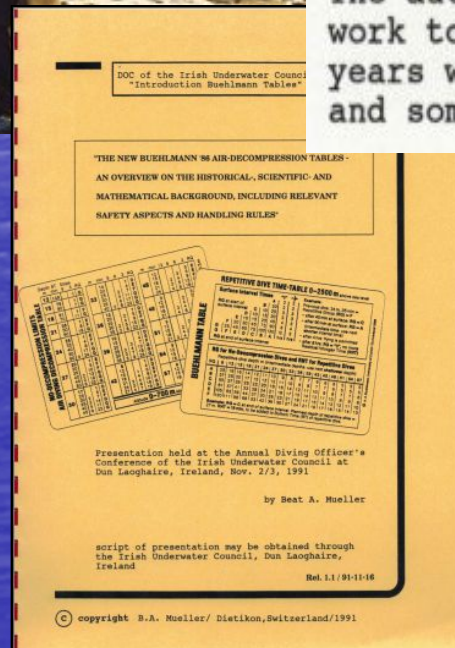
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A tribute to Prof. Dr. A.A. Bühlmann



Muttsee high
altitude trials,
1988

In the person of Prof. Dr. Buehlmann, Switzerland as a country with no access to any sea, is lucky enough to have an expert of worldwide reputation, accepted as a leading scientist in the field of hyperbaric research not only by the vaste diving community and scientific organisations, but also by many governmental bodies such as the US-NAVY, the German Navy and the American NASA. The author therefor still feels that the opportunity to work together with Prof.Buehlmann during more than 5 years was a unique chance, a lifelong lasting experience and some kind of undeserved luck.

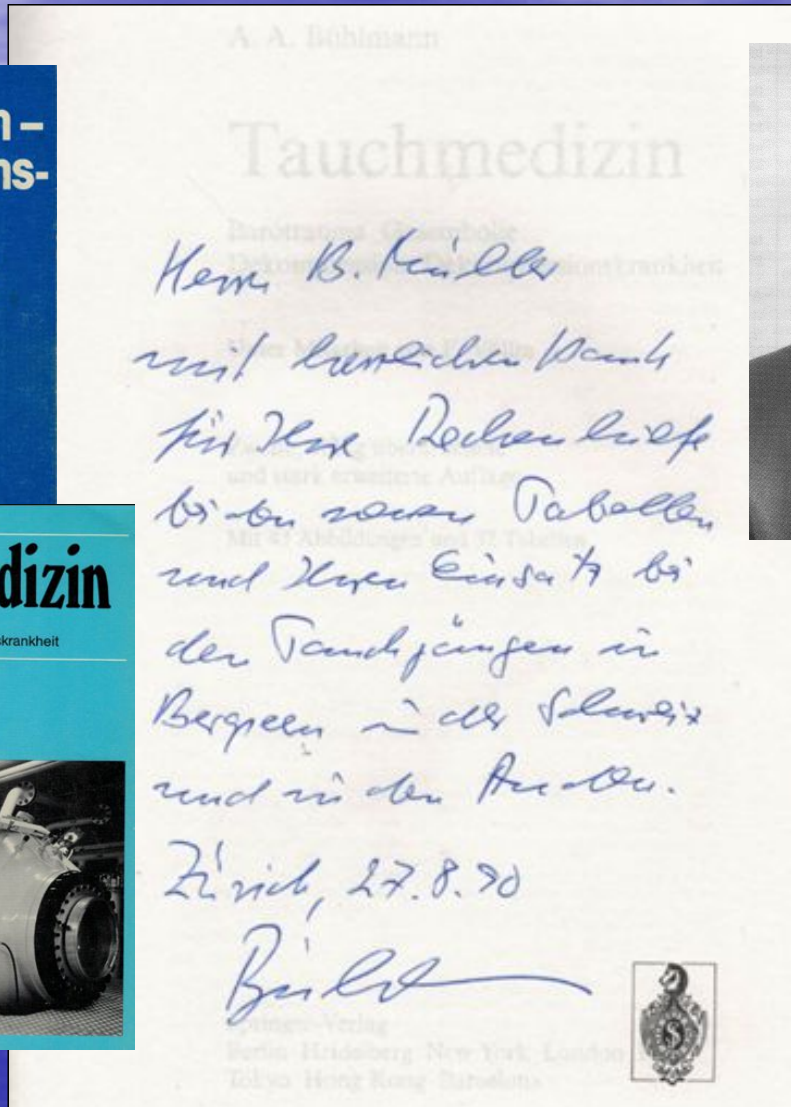
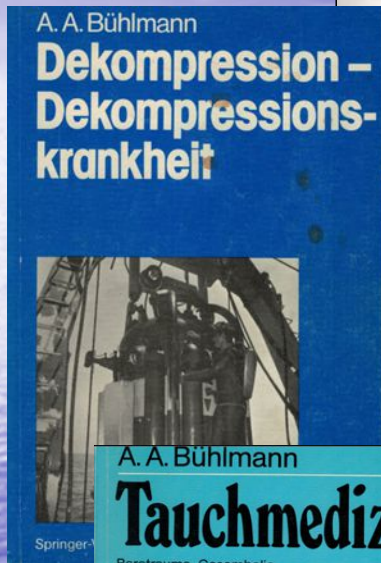


Statement made at the Diving Officers
Conference of the Irish Underwater Council
November 1991, Dun Laoghaire, Ireland

...and it still holds true!

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Personal Contributions

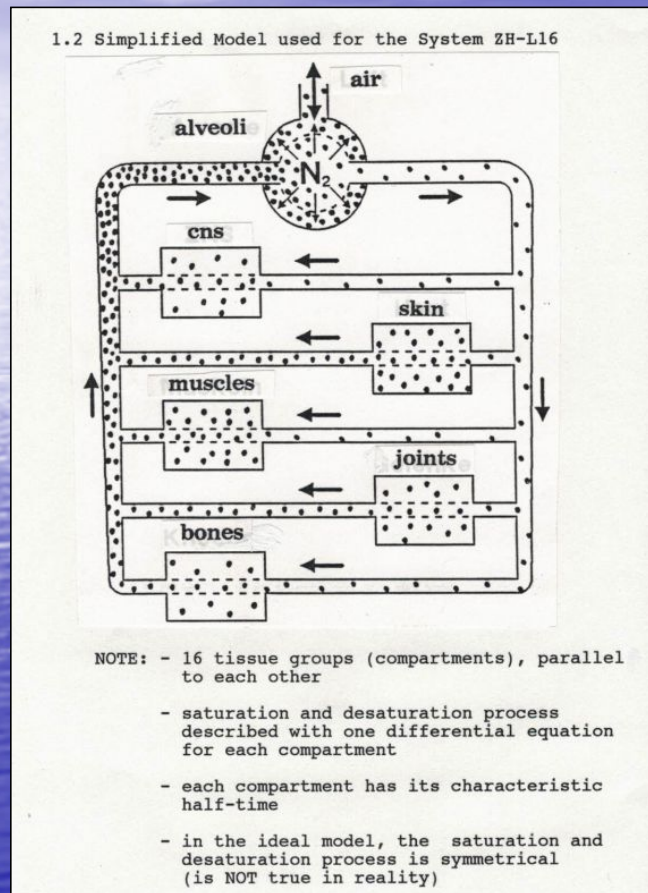


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About the Model behind

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About the modell behind(1)



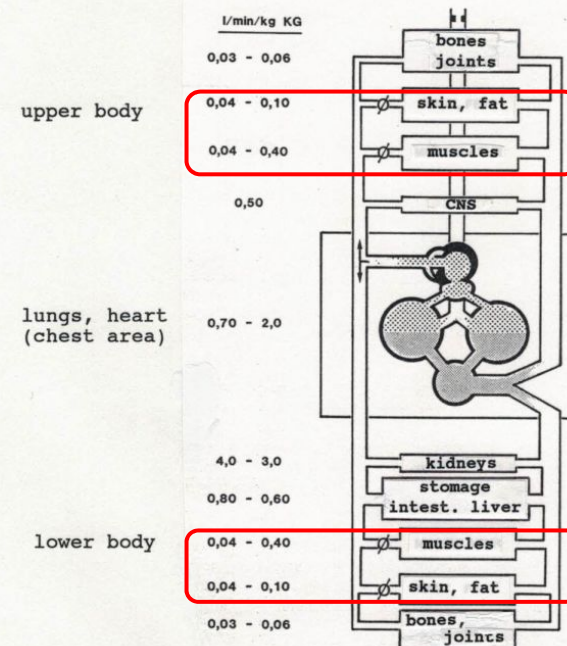
ZH: Zuerich
L: linear
16: tissue groups



1. The Haldane Compartment Model

1.1 Blood Flow in various Tissues and Organs (influence of physical activities)

NOTES: - values for rest: left column
- " " work: right column
- blood flow in liters/minute/kg body weight



ZHL-16 is a „simple“ *perfusion, dissolved phase model* that does not account for diffusion effects and bubble mechanics...but it works quite well!

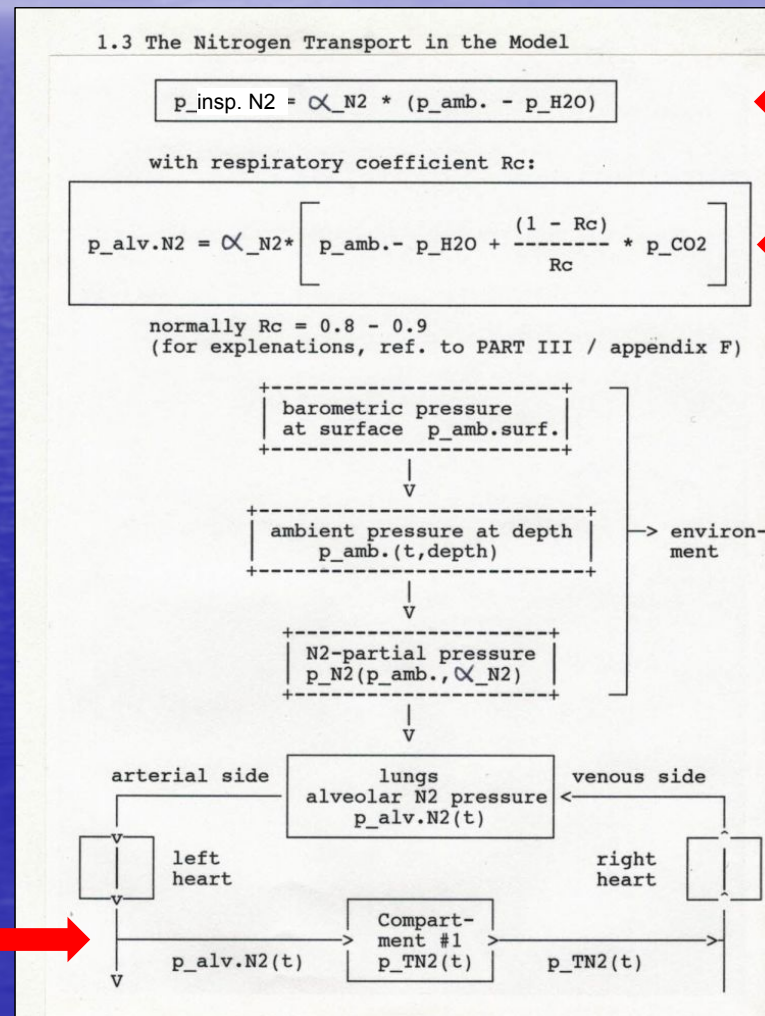
Further concepts: → Appendices

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About the modell behind(2)

Calculation „path“ of the inert gas (e.g. nitrogen) transport to the different tissue groupes, characterized by their half-times.

Each compartment has identical inert gas pressure level as „input“, independent of the state of adjacent tissues



inert gas pressure in breathing gas

alveolar inert gas pressure

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About the modell behind(3)

- One differential equation (and a solution) for each compartment (tissue-group)
- All compartments act independently of their neighbour compartments
- „inbound“ inert gas partial pressure is identical for all compartments (all compartments parallel)
- Saturation and desaturation is mirror-like inverse to each other (not exactly true in reality due to shunt effects etc.)

2. The Saturation and Desaturation Process

2.1 The Mathematical Approach (1 tissue)

	arterial side	Compartment C.	venous side
	blood input flow	volume V	blood output flow
p_alv.N2	b ==>	pressure diff. dp_C (complete mixture)	b ==>
blood flow per unit of time Δt.	b	b	b
blood vol.	Δt * b	Δt * b	Δt * b
N2-solub. coeff.	α_b	α	α_b
N2-tissue part. press.	p_alv.N2	pC_N2	pC_N2
N2-gas-volume	Δt*b*α_b*p_alv.N2.	V*α*dp_C	Δt*b*α_b*pC_N2.

V

input gas volume - output gas volume = remaining gas volume

V

$$p_{TN2}(t_1) = p_{TN2}(t_0) + [p_{alv.N2}(t_1) - p_{TN2}(t_0)] * [1 - \exp(-k * \Delta t)]$$

(for rectangular ambient pressure change only)

Δt = t₁ - t₀ p_{TN2}: tissue pressure t_h: tissue half-time

$$k = \frac{b * \alpha_b}{V * \alpha} = \frac{\ln(2)}{t_h} \quad (\text{tissue constant})$$

simplified;
for rectangular ambient
pressure change

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About the modell behind(4)

$$dP_t(t)/dt = k[P_{alv}(t) - P_t(t)]$$

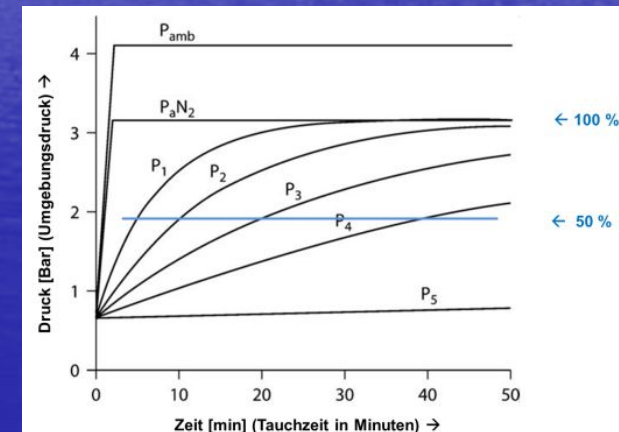
LDE: linear differential equation

$$P_t(t) = P_{alv0} + [P_{t0} - P_{alv0}] e^{-kt}$$

Solution for $\Delta P = \text{const.}$: Haldane equation

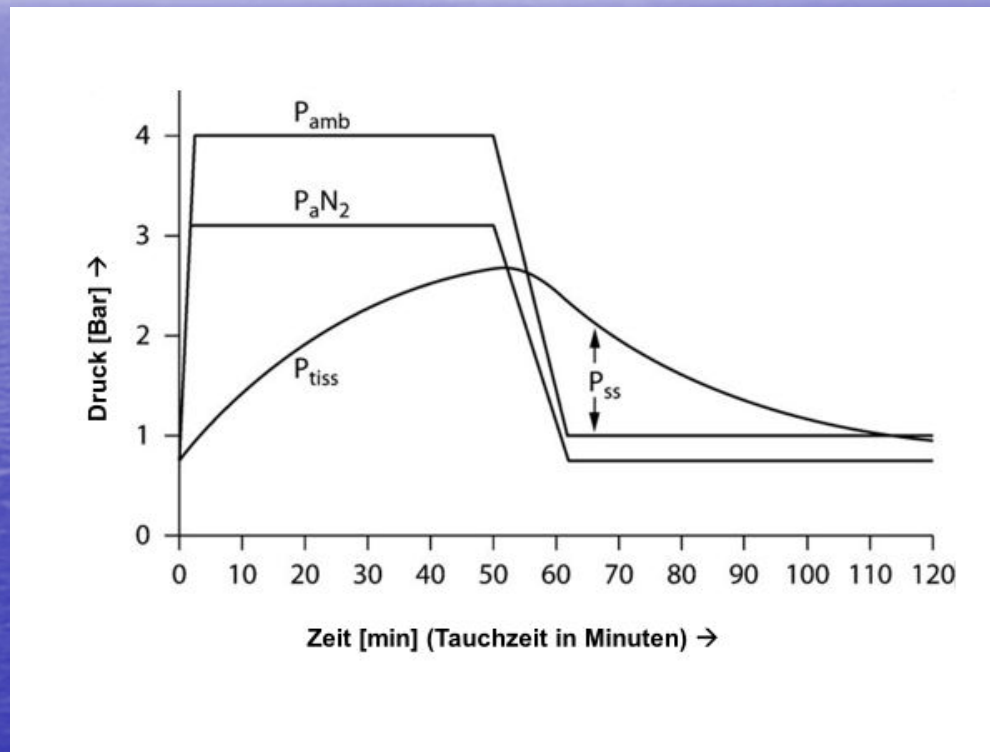
$$P_t(t) = P_{alv0} + R [t - 1/k] - [P_{alv0} - P_{t0} - R/k] e^{-kt}$$

Solution for $\Delta P / \Delta t = \text{const.}$: Schreiner equation



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About the modell behind(5)



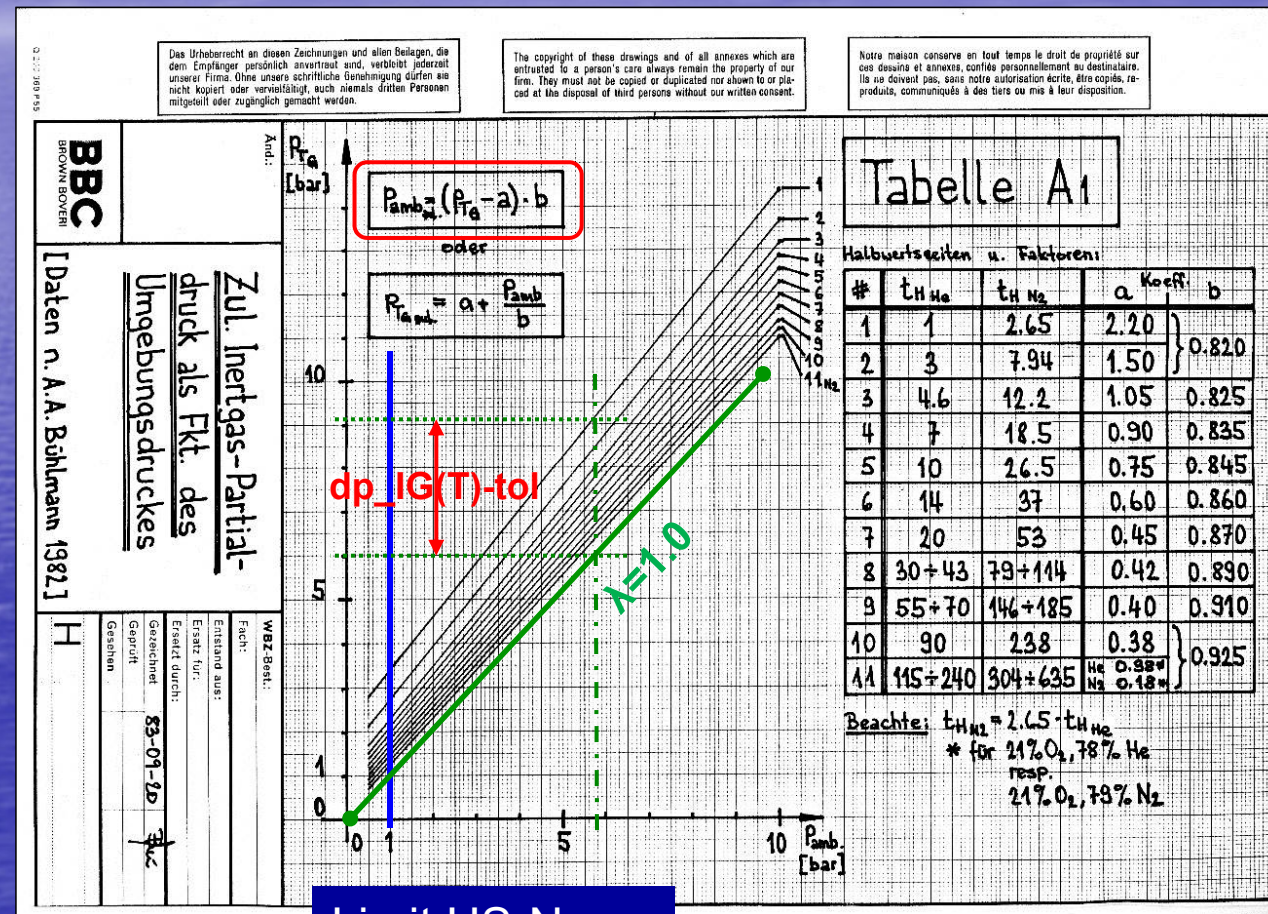
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About the modell behind (6a)

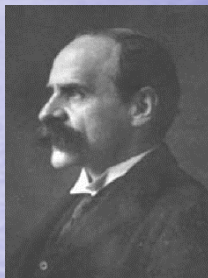
Tissue half-times, coefficients a, b to determine the ratio between ambient pressure and max. inert gas tissue pressure (similar to M-values of US-Navy tables)



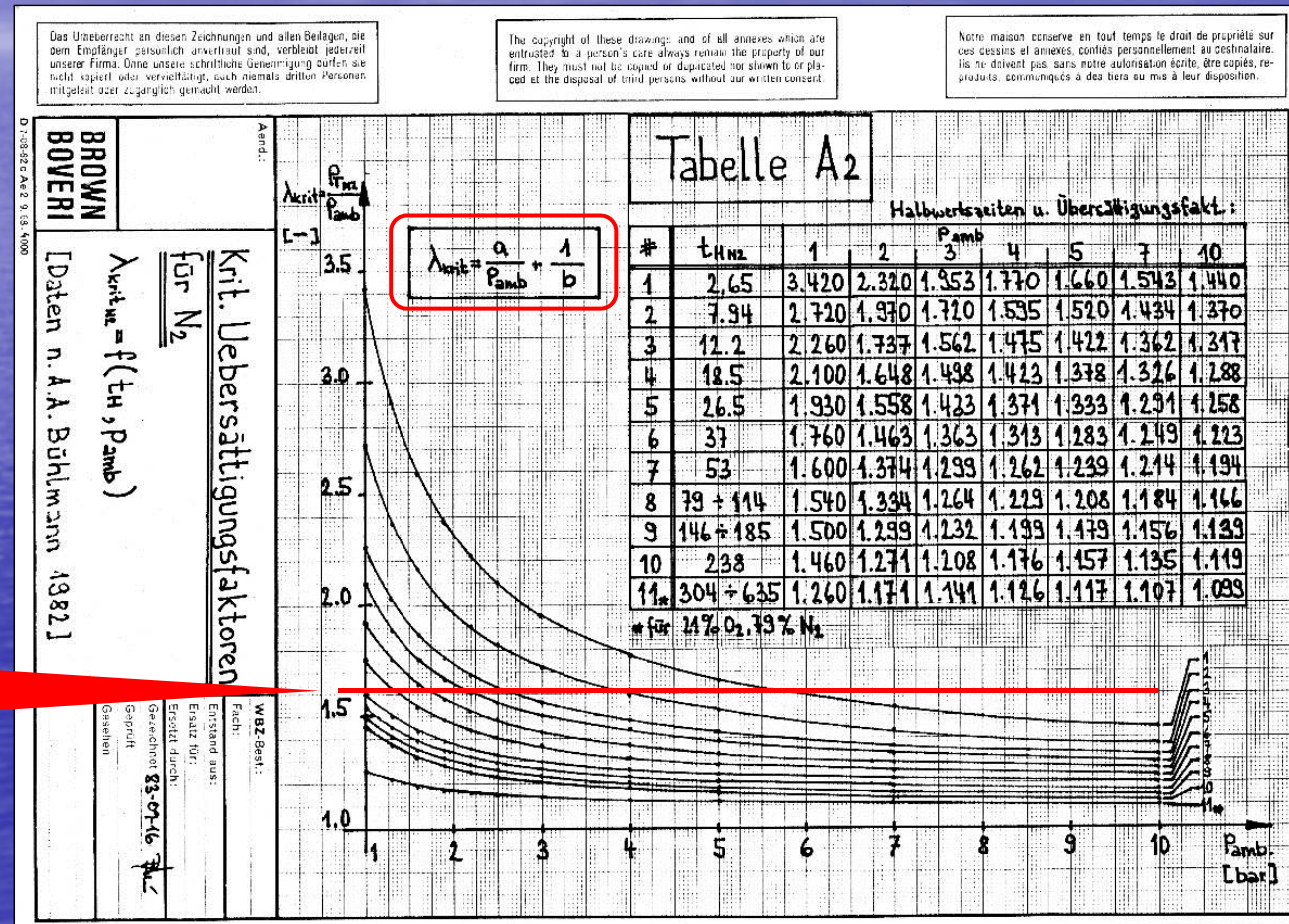
→ ref. to Appendices

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About the modell behind (6b)



Haldane:
Factor = 1.58
(2 x 0.79) for all
tissues; overly
conservative for
shorter halftimes,
critical for longer
ones



Tissue half-times, critical
over-saturation ratios

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**High Altitude Diving
Trials of the Swiss Army
(1969)**

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High Altitude Diving Trials of the Swiss Army (1)



Lake Silvaplana, 1800 m a.s.l.

....using the French G.E.R.S. tables and with **disastrous** results....

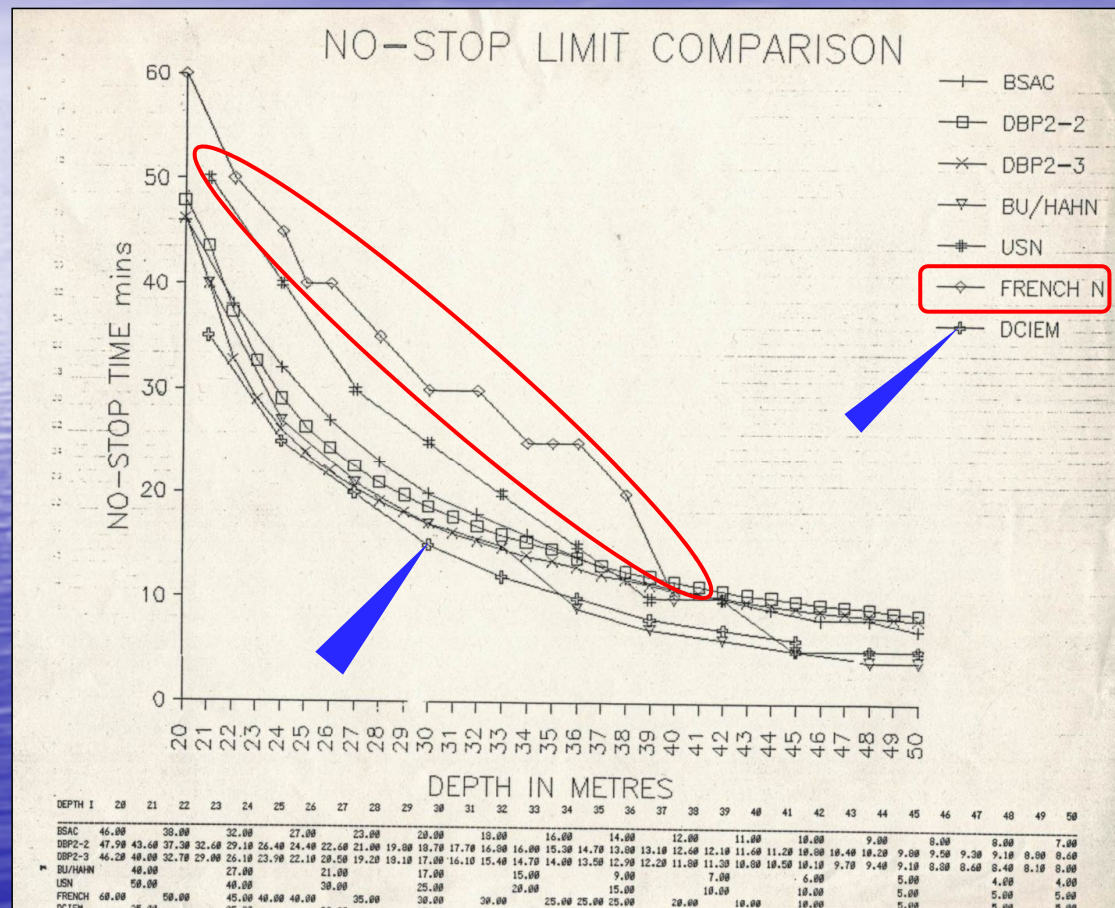
(2 out of 8 divers suffered from severe DCS)

It is not known whether the sea-level GERS tables have been modified (adapted to altitude) or not.

→ Appendices: References

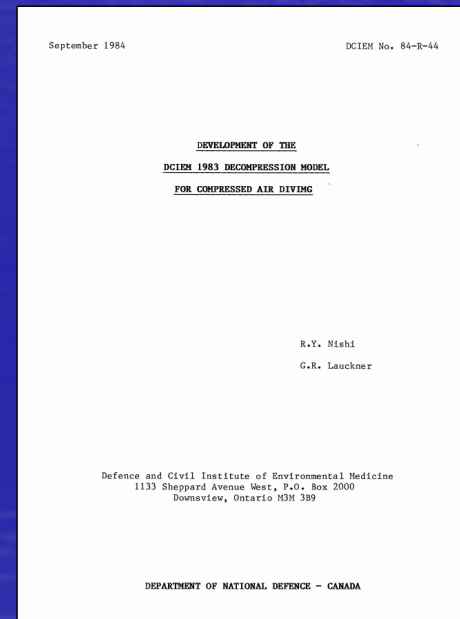
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High Altitude Diving Trials of the Swiss Army (2)



data as of 1986/87

In hindsight, it is obvious that the GERS table must have some inconsistencies with no link to physiological reasons! Also interesting: Canadian DCIEM uses a SERIAL compartment model and is very close to Bühlmann.



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High Altitude Diving Trials of the Swiss Army (3)

As a result of the follow-up research, the air diving tables of 1976 were created

DEEP DIVING RESEARCH LABORATORY
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL MEDICINE
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ZÜRICH

STANDARD AIR DECOMPRESSION TABLE

1. 0 - 700 m above sea level (760 - 700)

2. 701 - 1500 m above sea level (699 - 635)

3. 1501 - 2000 m above sea level (634 - 596)

4. 2001 - 2500 m above sea level (595 - 560)

5. 2501 - 3200 m above sea level (559 - 510)

6. Altitude Adaptation

feet sea water = m x 3,198 (± 5 %)

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Dekompressionstabelle 0 - 700 müM

Aufstiegseschwindigkeit von 10m / min nicht überschreiten !

TIEFE	ZEIT	DEKOSTUFEN	REP. GR.
m	min	12m 9m 6m 3m	
15	9a 12a 15a		J K L
2a	5a 6a 7a 10a		H J K K
25	3a 4a 5a 6a 7a 9a		G H J K K L
3a	2a 3a 4a 5a 6a 7a		G H J K K L
35	2a 3a 4a 5a 6a		G H J K K

Nullzeiten in Höhen von 0 - 700 müM

m	9	12	15	18	2a	25	3a	35	4a
min	-	2a	7a	5a	3a	25	2a	15	1a

Bei jedem Tauchgang ist ein Dekompressionshalt von 3 min auf 3m einzuhalten!

Oberflächenintervall - Tabelle 0-700müM

Repetitivegruppe am Ende des Oberflächenintervalles
(Repetitive group at the end of surface interval)

L	K	J	H	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	*0*
L	14	3a	47	68	94	127	149	174	2a6	255	44a
K	16	34	55	8a	113	135	16a	194	24a	426	
J	18	39	65	98	119	145	18a	225	4a9		
H	22	47	8a	1a1	127	16a	2a6	394			
G	26	59	8a	1a6	139	186	372				
F	34	55	8a	113	16a	346					
E	22	47	8a	127	312						
D	26	59	1a6	292							
C	34	5a	8a	266							
B	47	233									
A	186										

Repetitivegruppe zu Beginn des Oberflächenintervalles (Repetitive group at the beginning of surface interval)

Zeitangaben in min

Zeitzuschlagentabelle 0 - 700 müM

TIEFE (m)	6	9	12	15	2a	25	3a	35	4a	45	5a	6a	7a	
Repe- tivr	-	-	-	3a	16a	96	69	55	45	39	34	3a	25	21
K	-	>4a	25a	127	8a	59	47	39	34	29	26	22	18	
J	-	4a	15a	1a1	67	5a	4a	33	29	25	23	19	16	
H	-	2a	113	8a	55	42	34	27	25	22	19	16	14	
G	>2a	135	85	63	44	34	27	22	2a	18	16	13	11	
F	2a	1a8	61	47	34	26	22	17	16	14	13	11	9	
E	113	61	42	34	25	19	16	13	12	11	9	8	7	
D	85	48	34	27	2a	16	13	1a	1a	9	8	7	6	
C	61	37	26	22	16	13	1a	8	8	7	6	5	5	
B	43	26	19	16	12	9	8	6	6	5	5	4	4	
A	26	17	12	1a	8	6	6	4	4	3	3	3	3	

ALTITUDE ADAPTATION

More than 12 hrs at altitude

m	701-1500	1501-2000	2001-2500	2501-3200
No-Decompression limits	701-1500	701-1500	1501-2000	2001-2500
Decompression table and repetitive system	701-1500	701-1500	1501-2000	2001-2500
Regimen: ATS	0.68	0.61	0.57	0.53

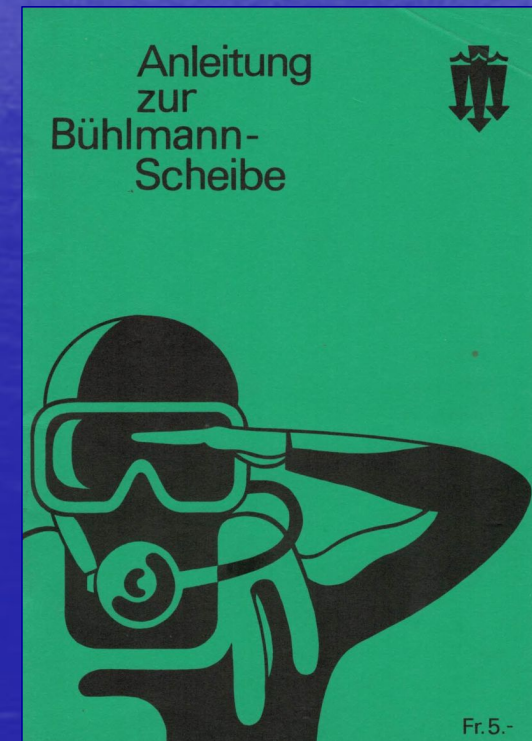
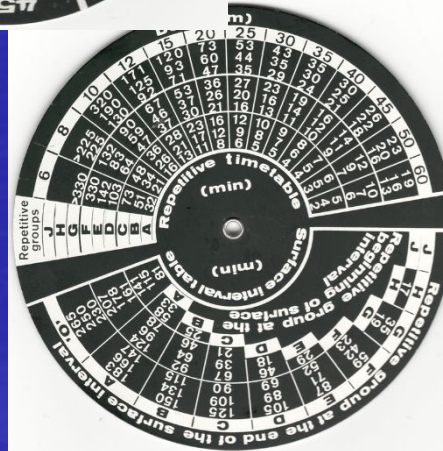
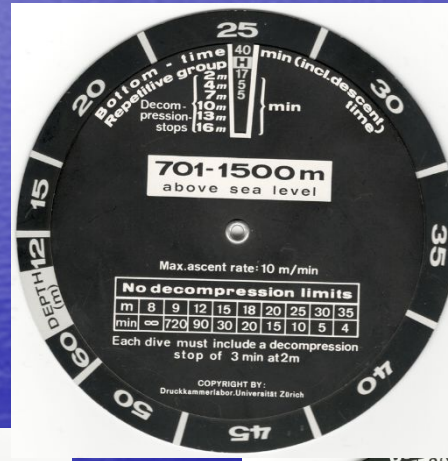
When staying more than 12 hrs at an altitude exceeding 1500 m you may use the next lower decompression table.

altitude range 0-700m a.s.l.

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High Altitude Diving Trials of the Swiss Army (4)

The famous '76 disk

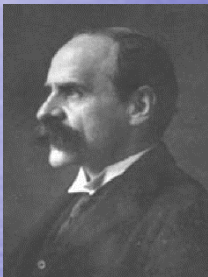


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The '86 Air Diving Tables

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Historical Development (1)



Bühlmann air diving tables '76 not shown here...



1.1 the long way from Haldane to Buehlmann ...

1908

TABLE I.

Depth.	Feet.	Fathoms.	Pressure in Pounds per Square Inch.	Time under Water, i.e. from Surface to beginning of Ascent.	Stoppages in Minutes at Different Depths.				Total Time Ascent in Minutes.	Number of Cylinders required.	Revolutions of Pump per Minute.
					40 ft.	30 ft.	20 ft.	10 ft.			
Up to 10 fms.	0-10	0-5	14.7	20 to 25 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				25 to 30 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
10 to 15 fms.	10-15	5-7.5	19.2	30 to 35 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				35 to 40 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
15 to 20 fms.	15-20	7.5-10	23.8	Up to 5 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				5 to 10 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
20 to 25 fms.	20-25	10-12.5	28.4	10 to 15 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				15 to 20 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
25 to 30 fms.	25-30	12.5-15	33.0	20 to 25 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				25 to 30 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
30 to 35 fms.	30-35	15-17.5	37.6	30 to 35 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				35 to 40 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
35 to 40 fms.	35-40	17.5-20	42.2	Up to 5 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				5 to 10 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
40 to 45 fms.	40-45	20-22.5	46.8	10 to 15 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				15 to 20 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
45 to 50 fms.	45-50	22.5-25	51.4	20 to 25 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				25 to 30 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
50 to 55 fms.	50-55	25-27.5	56.0	30 to 35 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				35 to 40 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
55 to 60 fms.	55-60	27.5-30	60.6	40 to 45 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				45 to 50 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
60 to 65 fms.	60-65	30-32.5	65.2	50 to 55 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				55 to 60 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
65 to 70 fms.	65-70	32.5-35	69.8	60 to 65 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				65 to 70 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
70 to 75 fms.	70-75	35-37.5	74.4	70 to 75 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				75 to 80 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
75 to 80 fms.	75-80	37.5-40	79.0	80 to 85 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				85 to 90 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
80 to 85 fms.	80-85	40-42.5	83.6	90 to 95 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				95 to 100 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
85 to 90 fms.	85-90	42.5-45	88.2	100 to 105 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				105 to 110 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
90 to 95 fms.	90-95	45-47.5	92.8	110 to 115 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				115 to 120 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
95 to 100 fms.	95-100	47.5-50	97.4	120 to 125 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				125 to 130 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
100 to 105 fms.	100-105	50-52.5	102.0	130 to 135 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				135 to 140 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
105 to 110 fms.	105-110	52.5-55	106.6	140 to 145 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				145 to 150 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
110 to 115 fms.	110-115	55-57.5	111.2	150 to 155 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				155 to 160 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
115 to 120 fms.	115-120	57.5-60	115.8	160 to 165 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				165 to 170 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
120 to 125 fms.	120-125	60-62.5	120.4	170 to 175 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				175 to 180 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
125 to 130 fms.	125-130	62.5-65	125.0	180 to 185 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				185 to 190 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
130 to 135 fms.	130-135	65-67.5	129.6	190 to 195 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				195 to 200 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
135 to 140 fms.	135-140	67.5-70	134.2	200 to 205 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				205 to 210 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
140 to 145 fms.	140-145	70-72.5	138.8	210 to 215 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				215 to 220 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
145 to 150 fms.	145-150	72.5-75	143.4	220 to 225 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				225 to 230 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
150 to 155 fms.	150-155	75-77.5	148.0	230 to 235 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				235 to 240 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
155 to 160 fms.	155-160	77.5-80	152.6	240 to 245 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				245 to 250 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
160 to 165 fms.	160-165	80-82.5	157.2	250 to 255 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				255 to 260 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
165 to 170 fms.	165-170	82.5-85	161.8	260 to 265 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				265 to 270 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
170 to 175 fms.	170-175	85-87.5	166.4	270 to 275 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				275 to 280 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
175 to 180 fms.	175-180	87.5-90	171.0	280 to 285 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				285 to 290 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
180 to 185 fms.	180-185	90-92.5	175.6	290 to 295 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				295 to 300 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
185 to 190 fms.	185-190	92.5-95	180.2	300 to 305 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				305 to 310 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
190 to 195 fms.	190-195	95-97.5	184.8	310 to 315 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				315 to 320 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
195 to 200 fms.	195-200	97.5-100	189.4	320 to 325 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				325 to 330 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
200 to 205 fms.	200-205	100-102.5	194.0	330 to 335 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				335 to 340 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
205 to 210 fms.	205-210	102.5-105	198.6	340 to 345 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				345 to 350 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
210 to 215 fms.	210-215	105-107.5	203.2	350 to 355 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				355 to 360 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
215 to 220 fms.	215-220	107.5-110	207.8	360 to 365 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				365 to 370 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
220 to 225 fms.	220-225	110-112.5	212.4	370 to 375 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				375 to 380 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
225 to 230 fms.	225-230	112.5-115	217.0	380 to 385 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				385 to 390 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
230 to 235 fms.	230-235	115-117.5	221.6	390 to 395 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				395 to 400 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
235 to 240 fms.	235-240	117.5-120	226.2	400 to 405 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				405 to 410 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
240 to 245 fms.	240-245	120-122.5	230.8	410 to 415 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				415 to 420 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
245 to 250 fms.	245-250	122.5-125	235.4	420 to 425 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				425 to 430 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
250 to 255 fms.	250-255	125-127.5	240.0	430 to 435 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				435 to 440 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
255 to 260 fms.	255-260	127.5-130	244.6	440 to 445 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				445 to 450 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
260 to 265 fms.	260-265	130-132.5	249.2	450 to 455 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				455 to 460 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
265 to 270 fms.	265-270	132.5-135	253.8	460 to 465 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				465 to 470 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
270 to 275 fms.	270-275	135-137.5	258.4	470 to 475 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				475 to 480 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
275 to 280 fms.	275-280	137.5-140	263.0	480 to 485 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				485 to 490 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
280 to 285 fms.	280-285	140-142.5	267.6	490 to 495 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				495 to 500 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
285 to 290 fms.	285-290	142.5-145	272.2	500 to 505 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				505 to 510 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
290 to 295 fms.	290-295	145-147.5	276.8	510 to 515 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				515 to 520 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
295 to 300 fms.	295-300	147.5-150	281.4	520 to 525 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				525 to 530 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
300 to 305 fms.	300-305	150-152.5	286.0	530 to 535 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				535 to 540 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
305 to 310 fms.	305-310	152.5-155	290.6	540 to 545 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				545 to 550 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
310 to 315 fms.	310-315	155-157.5	295.2	550 to 555 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				555 to 560 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
315 to 320 fms.	315-320	157.5-160	299.8	560 to 565 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				565 to 570 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
320 to 325 fms.	320-325	160-162.5	304.4	570 to 575 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				575 to 580 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
325 to 330 fms.	325-330	162.5-165	309.0	580 to 585 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20
				585 to 590 mins.	1	5	10	15	30	4	20

(<< DCIEM Air Decompression Tables 1983)

(<< intermediate version „tables '83 with ZHL-12)

(<< with ZHL-16)

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Historical Development (2)

Situation as of october 1991....

1. Historical Background and Table-Development

1.1 Overview on "Popular" Dive Tables

a) "old" tables:

- * US-NAVY, 1937, 1957 (sea level)
incl. derivatives used by NAUI, PADI,
metric versions, partly modified
- * GERS, 1965
- * diff. tables issued by ministry of health and
labour (France, Germany)
- * modified tables from SEEMANN, DRAEGER (no back-
ground information)

b) tables of the seventies:

- * Buehlmann '76, (first tables for altitude, multi-
tissue-model)
plus some obscure, non-authorized "modifications"
- * RNPL (Royal Navy), 1972 (one-tissue mod., sea
level)

In the meantime (2019), many organisations have published many tables, many of them with a undisclosed or fishy background.

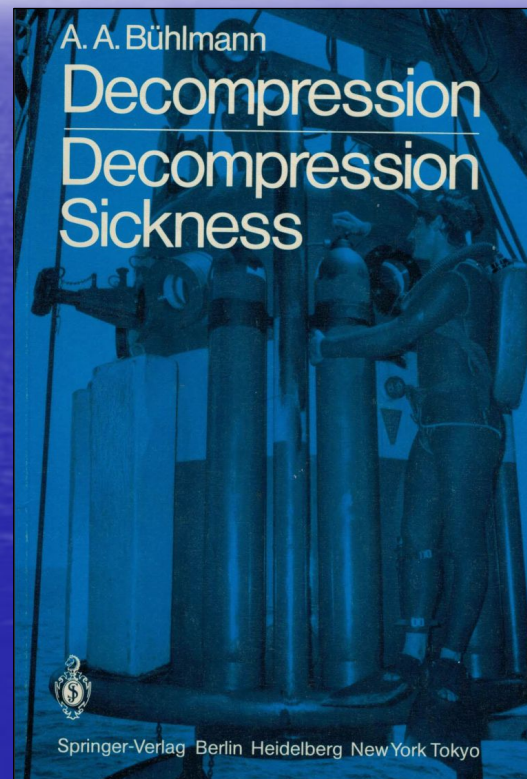
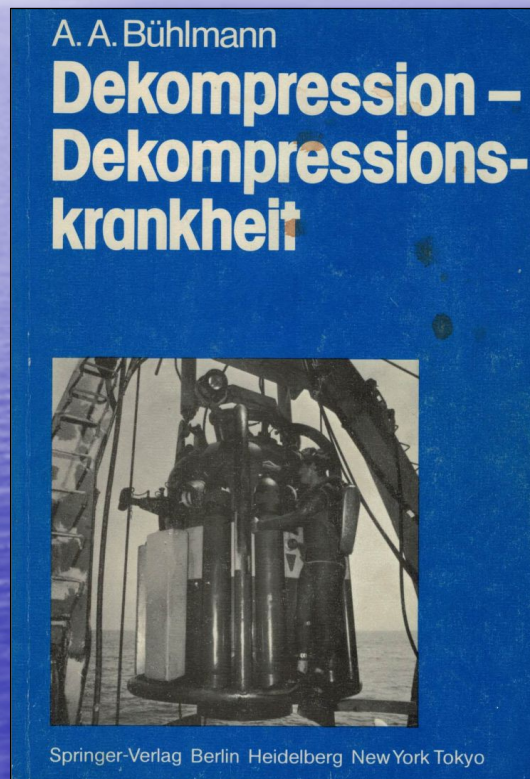
Some of them obviously „created“ with a total lack of physiological competence and ruled by the fear of law-suits!

c) newest generation tables:

- # Canadian Dept. of National Defense/ DCIEM, 1983/85 (multi-tissue, altitude)
- # Huggins, USA, 1981 (sea level, no-decompression dives only, modified Navy-model)
- # Buehlmann, Switzerland, 1986/87 (ZHL-L12/16 system, high altitudes, flying)
- # PADI, USA, 1987 (sea level, no-decompression dives only)
- # BSAC, GB, 1988 (sea level, no info on model and safety factors, fixed surface intervals)
- # NAUI, USA, 1989 (sea level, no-decompression dives only, modified Navy-model)
- # COMEX PRO, France, 1991 (sea level, no info on model or safety factors, fixed surface intervals)

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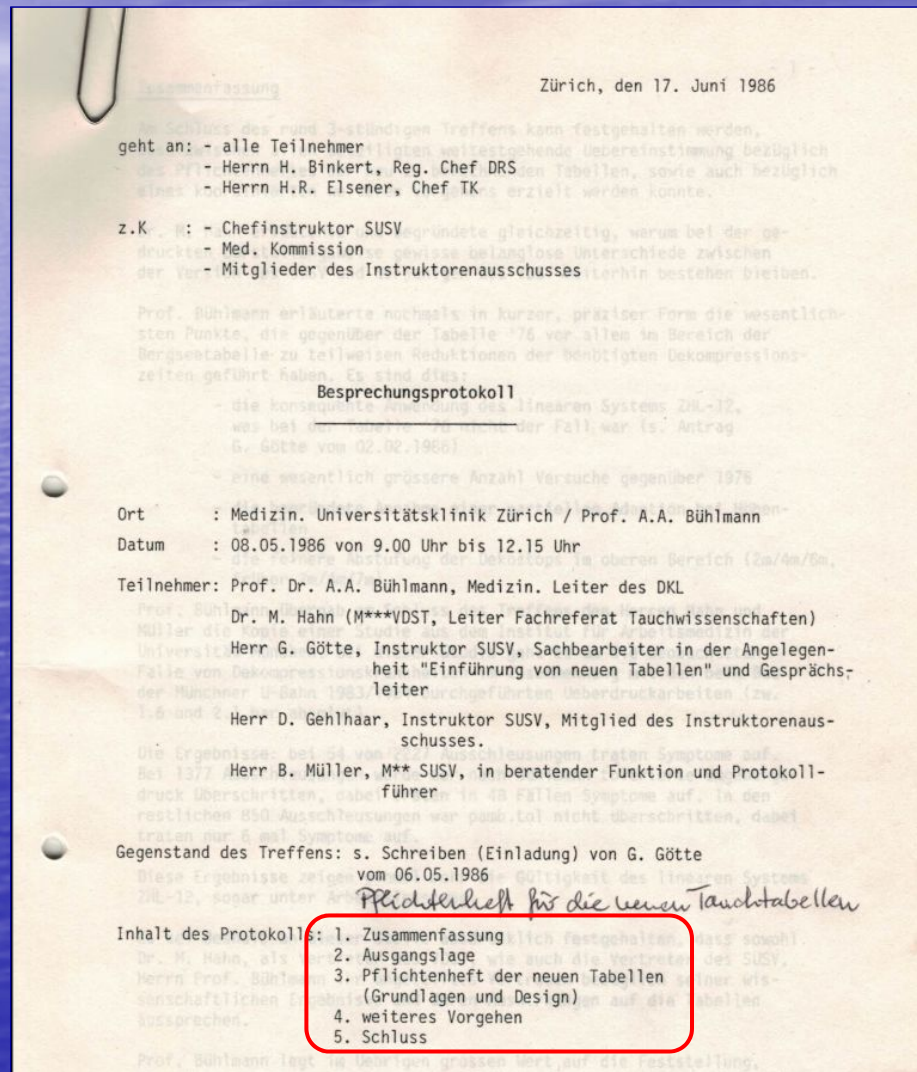
The '86 Air Diving Tables: The Trigger



Publication of the „new“ Air Diving Tables of 1983, based on the compartment modell ZHL-12 with 16 compartments and 12 different pairs of coefficients.

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Initialization

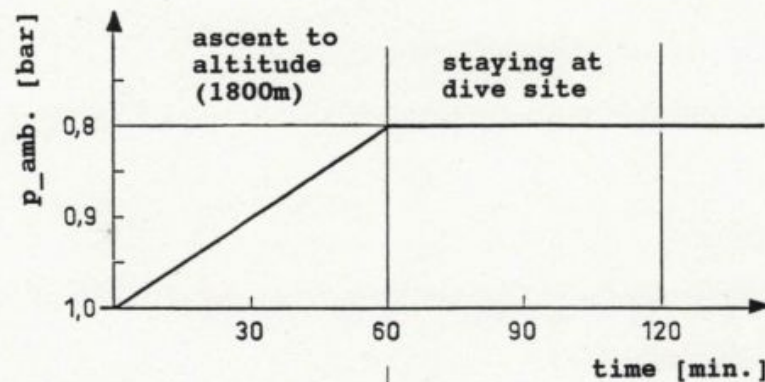


**Kick-off Meeting:
defined and detailed
specifications for the
new tables to be
created and
to be adopted by the
Swiss Underwater
Sports Federation**

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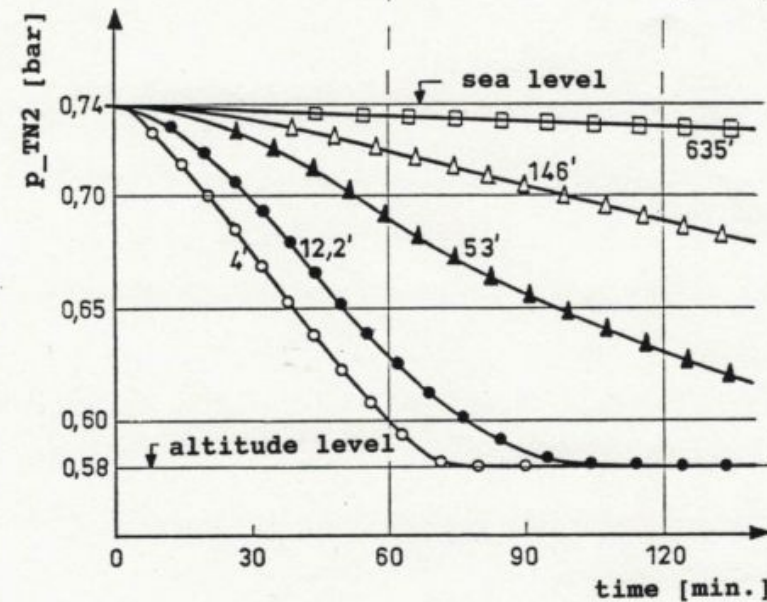
The '86 Air Diving Tables: The Ascent Ramp (1)

7. Adaption at Altitude (pre-dive history)



Start at 0m asl. with all compartments fully adapted; immediate dive at altitude upon arrival.

For the 86 table, a ramp of 1hr from 700m to 2500m a.s.l. was assumed. Desaturation was calculated with strict solution of differential equation.



NOTE: - fast tissues almost adapted after reaching target altitude; slower tissues still saturating
- 60 min. ramp used for tables 701-2500m

Diagrams courtesy of Dr. K. Meier-Ewert

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: The Ascent Ramp (2a)

Aufstiegszeit zur Zielhöhe **60** min
 dH/dt **29.98** m/min
 dp_N2alv/dt **-0.00238151** bar/min

Start-Höhe 0	701	m	Ziel-Höhe H1	2500	m
pamb	0.931	bar	pamb	0.750	bar
f_N2	0.790	---	f_N2	0.790	---
pN2-insp	0.736	bar	pN2-insp	0.593	bar
pN2-alv	0.678	bar	pN2-alv	0.535	bar

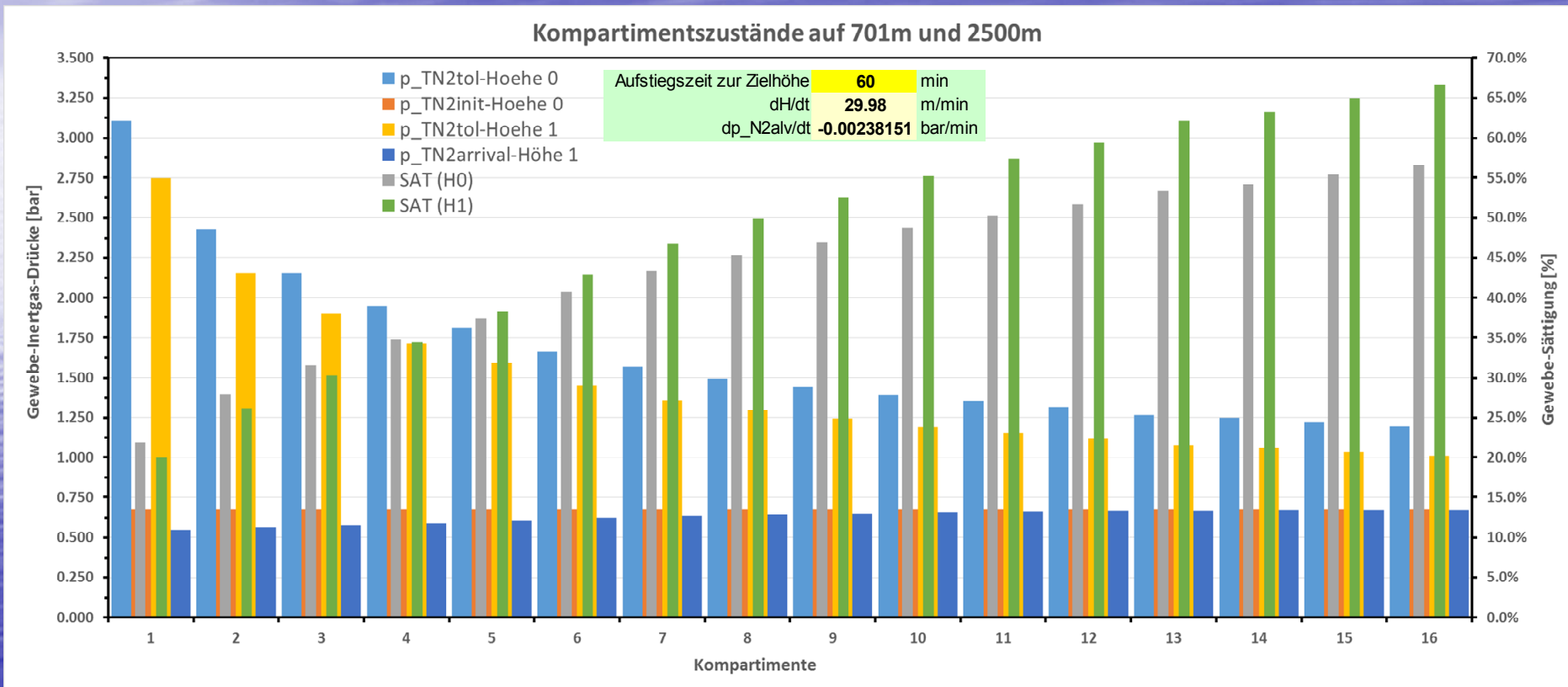
ZHL-16B	tH	RG	a	b	k	p_TN2tol-Hoehe 0	p_TN2init-Hoehe 0	SAT (H0)	p_TN2tol-Hoehe 1	p_TN2arrival-Höhe 1	SAT (H1)
#	[min]	Code	[bar]	[---]	[1/min]	[bar]	[bar]	[%]	[bar]	[bar]	[%]
1	4	A	1.2599	0.5050	0.17329	3.104	0.678	21.83%	2.746	0.548	19.97%
2	8	B	1.0000	0.6514	0.08664	2.430	0.678	27.89%	2.152	0.562	26.12%
3	12.5	C	0.8618	0.7222	0.05545	2.151	0.678	31.49%	1.901	0.576	30.31%
4	18.5	D	0.7562	0.7825	0.03747	1.946	0.678	34.81%	1.715	0.591	34.49%
5	27	E	0.6667	0.8126	0.02567	1.813	0.678	37.38%	1.590	0.608	38.21%
6	38.3	F	0.5600	0.8434	0.01810	1.664	0.678	40.71%	1.450	0.622	42.89%
7	54.3	G	0.4947	0.8693	0.01277	1.566	0.678	43.27%	1.358	0.634	46.72%
8	77	H	0.4500	0.8910	0.00900	1.495	0.678	45.31%	1.292	0.645	49.92%
9	109	I	0.4187	0.9092	0.00636	1.443	0.678	46.95%	1.244	0.653	52.53%
10	146	J	0.3798	0.9222	0.00475	1.390	0.678	48.76%	1.193	0.659	55.22%
11	187	K	0.3497	0.9319	0.00371	1.349	0.678	50.23%	1.155	0.663	57.39%
12	239	L	0.3223	0.9403	0.00290	1.313	0.678	51.62%	1.120	0.666	59.43%
13	305	M	0.2850	0.9477	0.00227	1.268	0.678	53.45%	1.077	0.668	62.06%
14	390	N	0.2737	0.9544	0.00178	1.249	0.678	54.23%	1.060	0.670	63.23%
15	498	O	0.2523	0.9602	0.00139	1.222	0.678	55.44%	1.034	0.672	64.98%
16	635	P	0.2327	0.9653	0.00109	1.197	0.678	56.58%	1.010	0.673	66.63%

Effect of Ascent Ramp 701->2500m a.s.l. in 60min

- Relative saturation increases significantly
- Longer –half-times do not react significantly
- Tolerated tissue pressure decreases significantly!

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: The Ascent Ramp (2b)



Effect of Ascent Ramp 701->2500m a.s.l. in 60min

- Relativ saturation increases significantly
- Longer –half-times do not react significantly
- Tolerated tissue pressure decreases significantly!

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: No Decompression Limits (1)



NULLZEITEN - BERECHNUNG
System ZHL-12

Höhenbereich: 701 - 2500 m ☐ *Anfahrtsrampe = 60'
0 - 700 m ☒

Tiefe n. Tabelle (m): 42 Führende HW-Zeit (Min.): 4
+ Zuschlag (m): 2 Faktor a (bar): 1.200
Tiefe effektiv (m): 44 Faktor b (-): 0.800

Umgebungsdaten
Oberflächendruck p_u (bar): 0.900
Drucksteigerungsrate δ (bar/m): 0.100
Inertgasanteil α_{N_2} (-): 0.79

Kompartimentsdaten
Initialer $p_{TN2init}$ (bar)/Tal: 0.75
" " " " " /Höhe:
Max p_{TN2max} (bar) Oberfläche:

NULLZEITEN

Aufstiegsgeschwindigkeit
 V_{Ascent} (m/Min.)

	5	10	15	20	∞
10	∞	22	12	11	8
15	∞	22	11	10	8
20	∞	21	11	10	7
30	∞	21	11	9	7
∞	∞	20	10	8	6

Abstiegsgeschwindigkeit
 $V_{Descent}$ (m/Min.)

Handwritten notes: 15m/ : 2.93, 30m/ : 1.47, 2m : 143%

NULLZEITEN - BERECHNUNG
System ZHL-12

Höhenbereich: 701 - 2500 m ☒ *Anfahrtsrampe = 60'
0 - 700 m ☐

Tiefe n. Tabelle (m): 24 Führende HW-Zeit (Min.): 12.5
+ Zuschlag (m): 2 Faktor a (bar): 1.030
Tiefe effektiv (m): 26 Faktor b (-): 0.800

Umgebungsdaten
Oberflächendruck p_u (bar): 0.750
Drucksteigerungsrate δ (bar/m): 0.100
Inertgasanteil α_{N_2} (-): 0.79

Kompartimentsdaten
Initialer $p_{TN2init}$ (bar)/Tal: 0.710
" " " " " /Höhe: 0.571
Max p_{TN2max} (bar) Oberfläche:

NULLZEITEN

Aufstiegsgeschwindigkeit
 V_{Ascent} (m/Min.)

	5	10	15	20	∞
10	∞	24	12	11	8
15	∞	23	11	10	8
20	∞	23	11	10	7
30	∞	23	11	9	7
∞	∞	22	10	8	6

Abstiegsgeschwindigkeit
 $V_{Descent}$ (m/Min.)

Handwritten notes: 15m/ : 0.8666, 30m/ : 1.7333

-> today's methods:
ref. to Appendices!

All combinations of descent and ascent rates checked with fixed and variable safety margins for depth and for the relevant compartment half-times

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: No Decompression Limits (2)

A) NULLZEITEN

Tabelle

	US-Navy 1957	GERS 1965	RNPL 1972	Bue76 1973	DCIEM 1983	Bue86 1987	PADI 1988	BSAC 1988
Tiefe [m]	Meer	Meer	Meer	0-700	Meer	0-700	Meer	0-250 6m-St.
9	--	--	--	--	380	335	>205	243
12	200	--	137	200	175	125	140	122
15	100	>120		75	75	75	80	74
18	60	75	57	50	50	51	55	51
21	50				35	35	40	37
24	40	45	32		25	25	30	30
27	30				20	20	25	24
30	25	30	20	20	15	17	20	20
36	15	25	14		10	12	13	14
42	10	10	10		7	9	8	12

New No-decompression limits; more conservative than other contemporary tables.

Most other tables NOT suitable above sea level.

GERS tables definitely off-limits.

Compare DCIEM NDL, almost identical from 15m on; DCIEM model is a serial compartment model with asymmetrical saturation / desaturation.

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NULLZEITEN - UND DEKOMPRES-
SIONSTABELLEN FUER LUFT
(Erweiterung fuer lange Expositionszeiten zum
neuen Buch von Prof. A.A. Buehlmann)

neue Tabellen Release 1.0 / 89-11-27

*Later addendum of 1989
for long exposition times*

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: No Decompression Limits (3a)

Values and comparison of today's calculations (1)

Values attained by using ZHL-12 and ZHL-16B

		NDL times in [min]				
Altitude range [m a.s.l.]		0-0	0-700	701-2500	2501-4500	4400-4800
Altitude of adaption [m a.s.l.]		0	0	701	4500	4400
Altitude of calculated dive [m a.s.l.]		0	700	2500	4500	4800
Ramp to upper range limit [hr]		no	no	1	no	6
Surface Interval at dive site before dive [hr]		>24	0	0	>24	3

Depth [m]	6	1473	1110	714	663	667
	9	475	349	238	204	167
	12	139	125	99	88	86
	15	81	75	62	50	56
	18	55	51	44	32	39
	21	40	35	30	22	27
	24	28	25	22	16	20
	27	22	20	18	14	16
	30	18	17	15	11	14
	33	15	14	12	9	12
	36	13	12	10	8	10
	39	11	10	9	7	9
	42	10	9	8	7	8
	45	9	8	7	6	7
	48	8	7	6	6	6
	51	7	6	6	5	5
	54	6	6	5	5	5
	57	5	5	4	4	4
	60	5	4	4	4	3

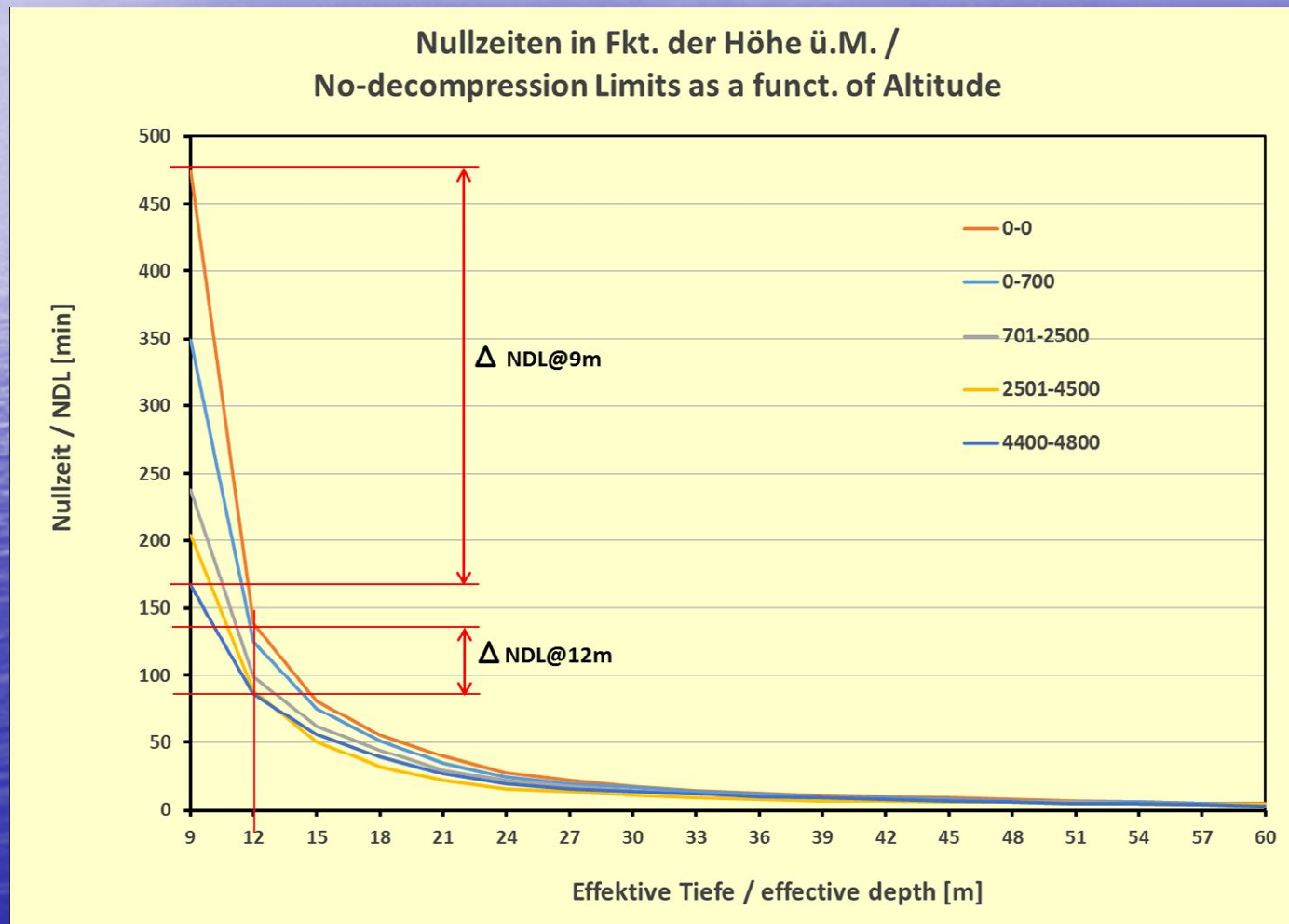
Descent rate:
timeless, rectangular
Ascent rate:
10m/min; constant

bold values: as published on tables
blue values: added by calculation

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: No Decompression Limits (3b)

Values and comparison of today's calculations (2)



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The '86 Air Diving Tables: all other profiles (1)

Step by step / way-point by way-point / tissue by tissue calculation for all depth time combinations



Blatt 1/5

PROFIL
 Tiefe: 30 m/ft
 Zeit: 120 Min.

Höhe: ~700 m/ft
 Pamb.: 0.9320 bar
 PN2 alv.: 0.48667 bar

System: ZHL-12 ☐
 ZHL-16 ☒ B
 ZHL-6 ☐

TAUCHGANGBERECHNUNG für Tabellen

① (Rampe) ② Beginn Tauchgang ③ ④ Beginn Aufstieg ⑤ Zwischenwert ... m/ft ⑥ ⑦ Ende Tauchgang

ΔT: 1.7 m
 Teff: 31.9 m/ft
 Ptot: 4.1220 bar
 PN2 alv.: 3.0047 bar
 Ascent: 10 m/ft
 Aufstieg mit exakter Lsg. der DGL

gesamter Dekoplan s. Blatt 2ff

Komp. #	t _{1/2} (Min.)	① P _{IN2} (bar)	② P _{IN2} (bar)	③ P _{IN2} (bar)	④ P _{IN2} (bar)	Pamb.tol. (bar)	T _{tol.} (m/ft)	⑤ P _{IN2} (bar)	Pamb.tol. (bar)	T _{tol.} (bar)
6	38.3		0.68667	0.6889450	2.9492702	2.0866	11.54			
7	54.3		"	0.6882770	2.65871126	1.8812	9.49			
8	77		"	0.6877930	2.35076250	1.6936	7.62			
9	109		"	0.6874820	2.03148081	1.4663	5.34			
10	146		"	0.6872430	1.7808223	1.2920	3.60			
11	187		"	0.6871260	1.58549781	1.1516	2.195			
12										

alle!

Blatt 5/5

⑥ ff Teff = ... m/ft
 Δt Asct. = 1.8 Min.

Gesamt - Dekoplan

Tiefe (m/ft)	Auftst.	12	9	6	3
Zeit (Min.)	1.8	8	24	41	90
Total					164.8'

⑥ ... (Ankunft ... 3 m/ft) / P_{N2 alv.} = 0.92367 bar

Komp. #	P _{IN2} (bar)	Pamb.tol. (bar)	T _{tol.} (m/ft)	DECO-Prognose für ... m/ft
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				

Dekostufe
 m/ft
 Min.

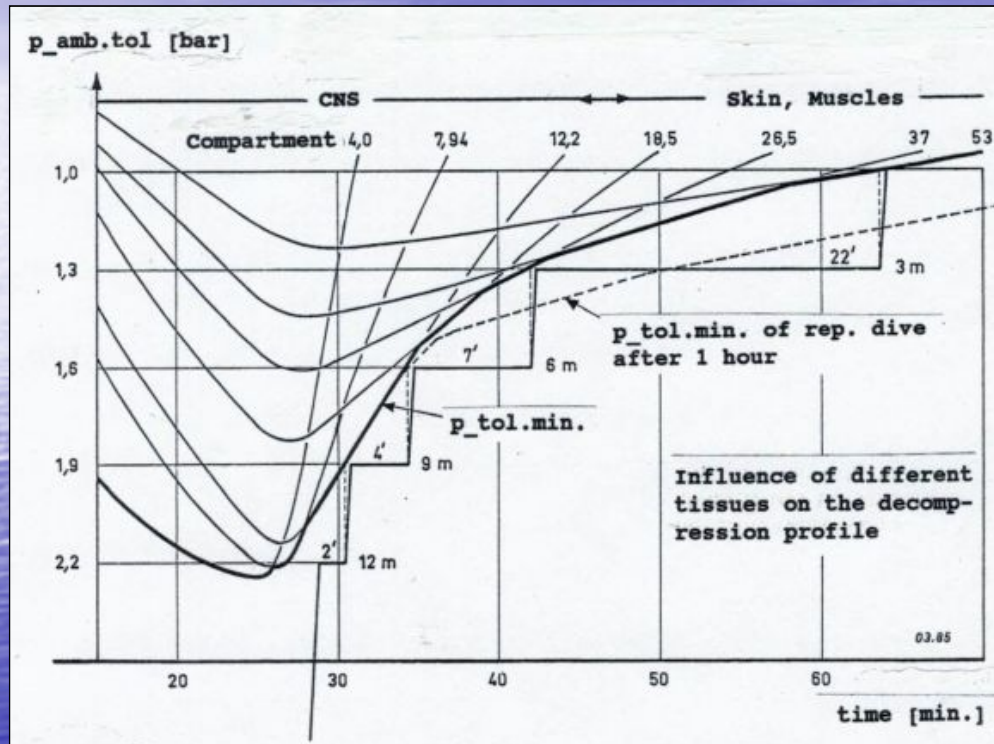
⑦ ... (Ende ... 3 m/ft = Beginn Aufstieg)

P _{IN2} (bar)	Pamb.tol. (bar)	P _{tot.max} (bar)	Sättigung E _s [%]
1.07307	0.43273	1.66505	64.4
1.20329	0.61598	1.8683	76.8
1.32608	0.78058	1.49602	88.6
1.39122	0.88422	1.44378	96.4
1.38902	0.93070	1.39043	99.9
1.34887	0.93112	1.34981	99.9
1.291		1.313	98.3

Note the change from one leading tissue to the next or overnext one during ascent and deco stops!

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: all other profiles (2)



NOTE: - tissues with short half-times (CNS etc.) are governing the deeper stops, tissues with longer half-times the shallower ones !
- $p_{tol.min.}$ = the MAXIMUM of all tissue-related $p_{amb.tol}$ -> the permitted MINIMUM depth !)

6. "Leading Tissues" during the Desaturation Phase

NOTE: a leading tissue is the tissue requesting for the highest (tolerated) ambient pressure, therefor determining the ceiling (shallowest depth not to be surpassed) and the corresponding decompression stage depth.

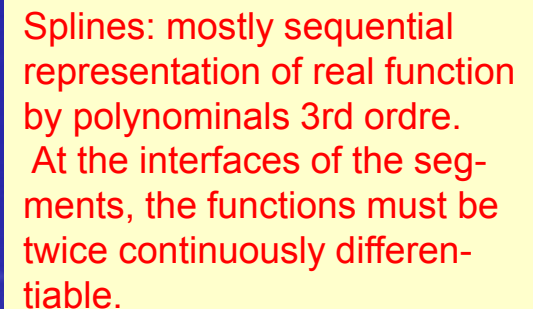
RG at end of dive = letter code of leading tissue when surfacing.
When next following tissue was also saturated to 95%+, then that letter code was taken for end-of-dive RG.

Diagram courtesy of Dr. K. Meier-Ewert

The '86 Air Diving Tables: Surface Interval (SI) table

Due to lack of scientific data at that time (!), no shunt effect included. Effect is masked and compensated by safety margins and rounding rules.

The '86 Air Diving Tables: „Smoothing“ of Residual Nitrogen Time table RNT (1)



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The '86 Air Diving Tables: „Smoothing“ of Residual Nitrogen Time table RNT (2)

Zeitzuschlagstabelle

A) Bühlmann bisher (nicht geglättet)

	9m	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60
A	20	18	15	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	5
B	30	25	20	18	15	12	11	10	9	8	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	5
C	45	30	25	23	22	20	18	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	7	7
D	70	50	35	30	25	23	20	18	17	16	15	14	12	10	9	8	8	8
E	90	75	45	40	35	30	25	23	22	20	18	16	14	12	11	10	10	10
F	115	100	75	60	50	40	35	30	25	23	20	18	17	16	15	14	14	14
G	145	125	90	75	60	50	45	40	35	30	26	24	23	21	20	18	18	18

B) Hahn (geglättet) (bleibt unverändert)

	9m	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60
A	25	19	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	4
B	36	24	19	17	15	13	12	10	9	8	8	7	6	6	5	5	5	4
C	55	33	28	25	23	20	18	16	14	13	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6
D	81	57	42	34	28	24	21	19	17	15	14	12	11	11	10	9	9	8
E	111	81	61	44	37	30	26	22	20	18	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	10
F	130	111	88	69	54	44	37	31	27	24	21	19	18	16	15	14	13	12
G																		

C) Bühlmann NEU (geglättet)

	9m	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60
A	25	19	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	5	5	5	4
B	37	25	20	17	15	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	5	5	5	4
C	55	37	29	25	22	20	18	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6
D	81	57	41	33	28	24	21	19	17	15	14	13	11	10	9	9	8	8
E	105	82	59	44	37	30	26	23	21	19	17	16	14	13	12	11	10	10
F	130	111	88	68	53	42	35	30	27	24	21	19	17	16	15	14	13	13
G	154	137	115	91	72	57	47	40	35	31	27	25	23	21	20	19	18	18

Wiederholungstauchgänge 0-2500 müM
Plongées successives de 0-2500 m s/mer

0-2500 müM
m s/mer

Zeitzuschläge für Wiederholungstauchgänge
Majorations aux plongées successives

(Zwischenwerte abrunden)
(prendre pour les valeurs intermédiaires celle immédiatement inférieure)

RG	Vorgesehene Tauchtiefe in Meter Profondeur en mètres de la plongée envisagée																
GR	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57
A	25	19	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	6	5	5	5	5
B	37	25	20	17	15	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6	5	5	5
C	55	37	29	25	22	20	18	16	14	12	11	10	9	8	7	7	6
D	81	57	41	33	28	24	21	19	17	15	14	13	11	10	9	9	8
E	105	82	59	44	37	30	26	23	21	19	17	16	14	13	12	11	10
F	130	111	88	68	53	42	35	30	27	24	21	19	17	16	15	14	13
G	154	137	115	91	72	57	47	40	35	31	27	25	23	21	20	19	18

Beispiel: RG C zu Beginn des Wiederholungstauchganges. Vorgesehene Tiefe 27 Meter = 18 Minuten
Zeitzuschlag zur Grundzeit des Tauchganges

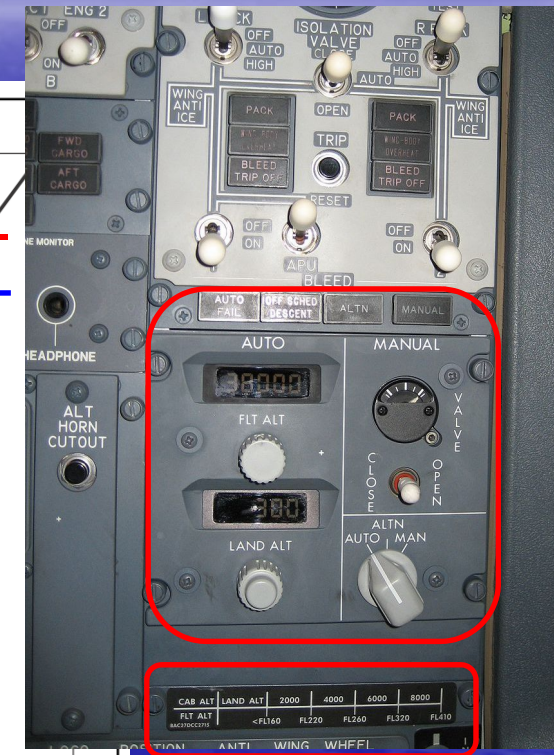
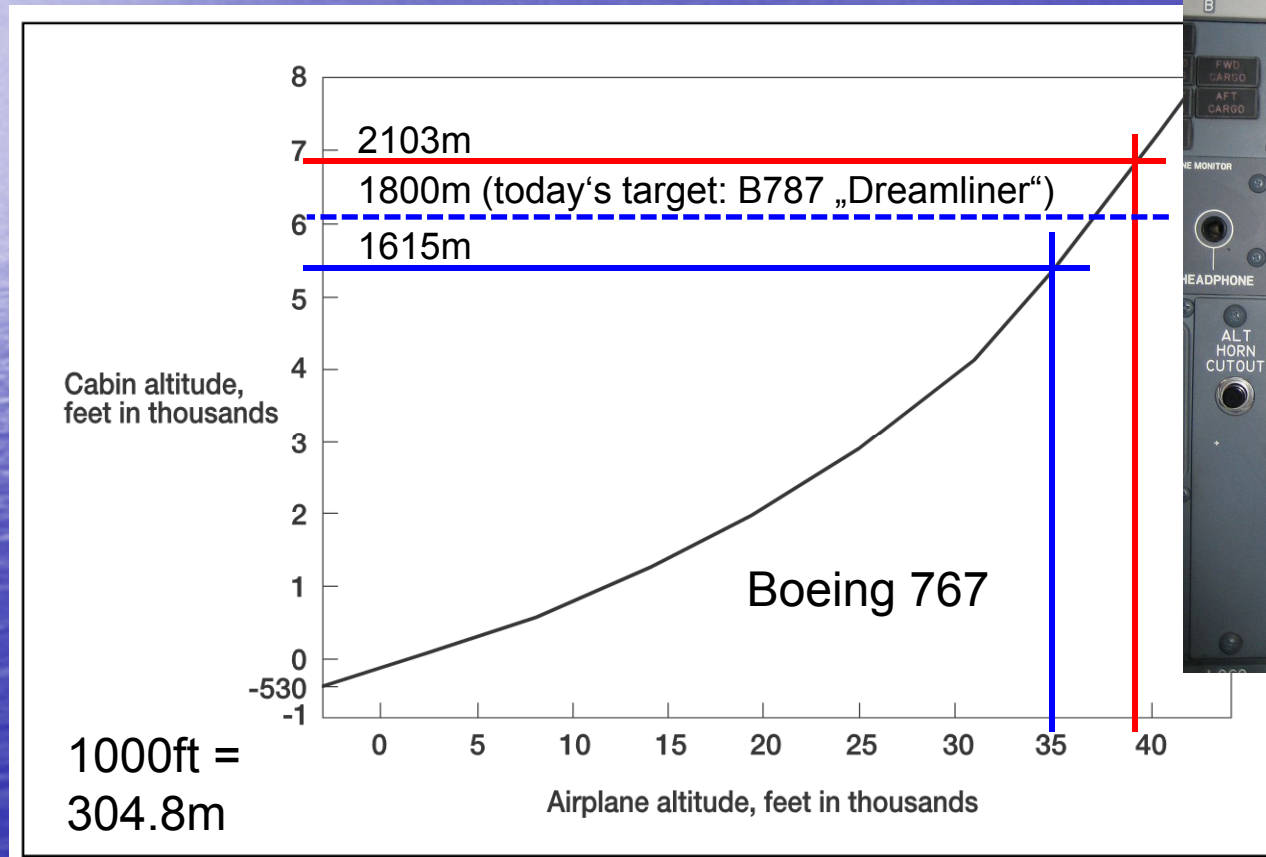
Exemple: GR C au départ de la plongée successive. Profondeur envisagée 27 mètres = 18 minutes
de majoration à rajouter au temps de séjour au fond

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (1)

„Cabin altitude“ vs. cruising altitude

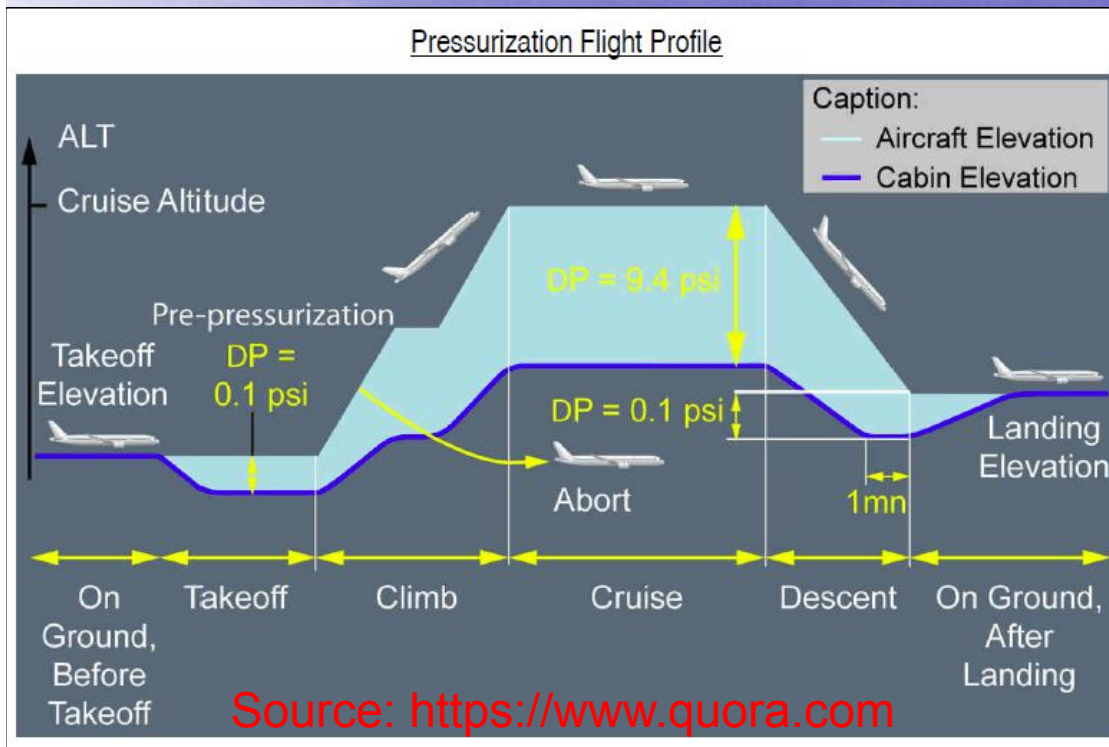


control panel of older aircraft

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (2a)

„Cabin altitude“ vs. cruising altitude



Note how on the takeoff roll, the airplane starts to pressurize to 0.1 PSI differential pressure.

That means that in fact your pressure altitude inside the cabin will be above the pressure altitude of the airstrip. This guarantees a smooth transition into the climb.

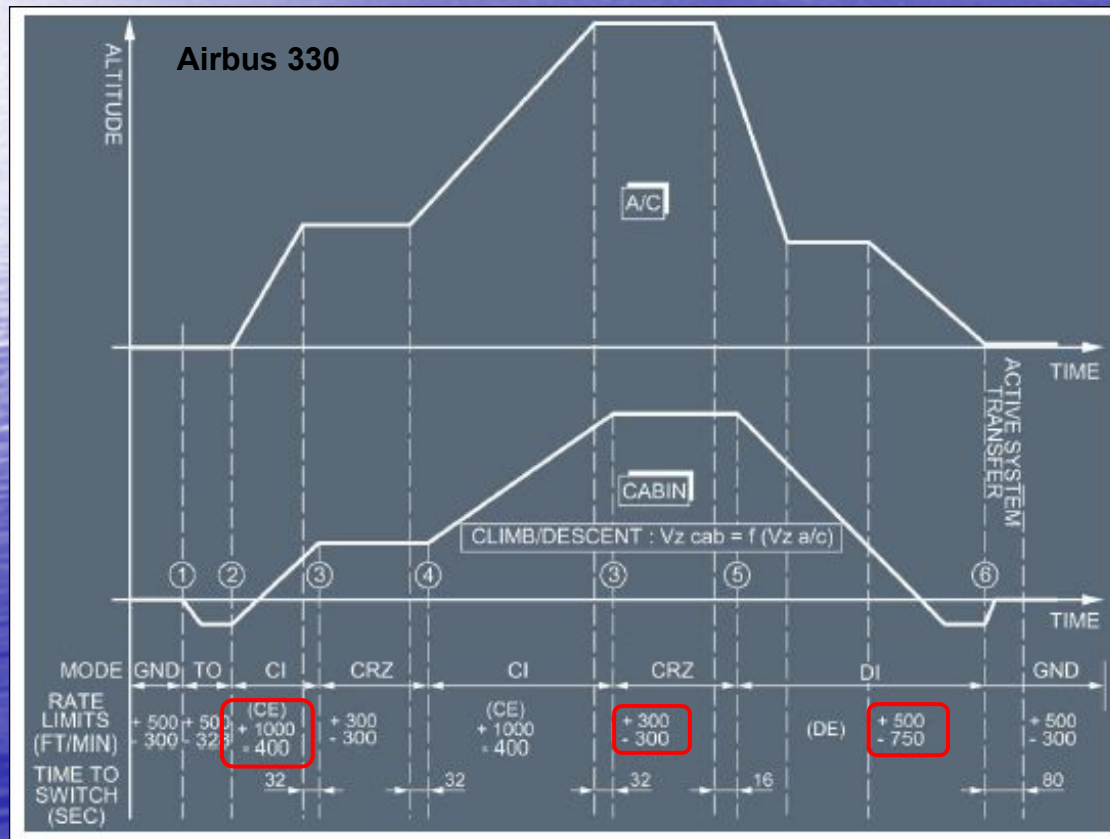
This additional amount of pressure mustn't compromise the ability to quickly open the doors in case of emergency, so pressure differential is limited. On a B737-NG, the differential is 0.125 PSI (9 hPa). This is equivalent to an altitude 236 ft below the runway.

In the climb the cabin altitude increases with the airplane's altitude, though at a lower rate, meaning the cabin climbs slower, smoother and to a lower max level.

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (2b)

„cabin altitude“ vs. aircraft cruising altitude



On this example of an Airbus A330 you can see the rate limits at the bottom of the graph. Notice how the cabin altitude will be limited to + 1,000 feet per minute in the climb and to - 750 feet per minute in descend. In cruise, any adjustments will be less than +/- 300 feet per minute.

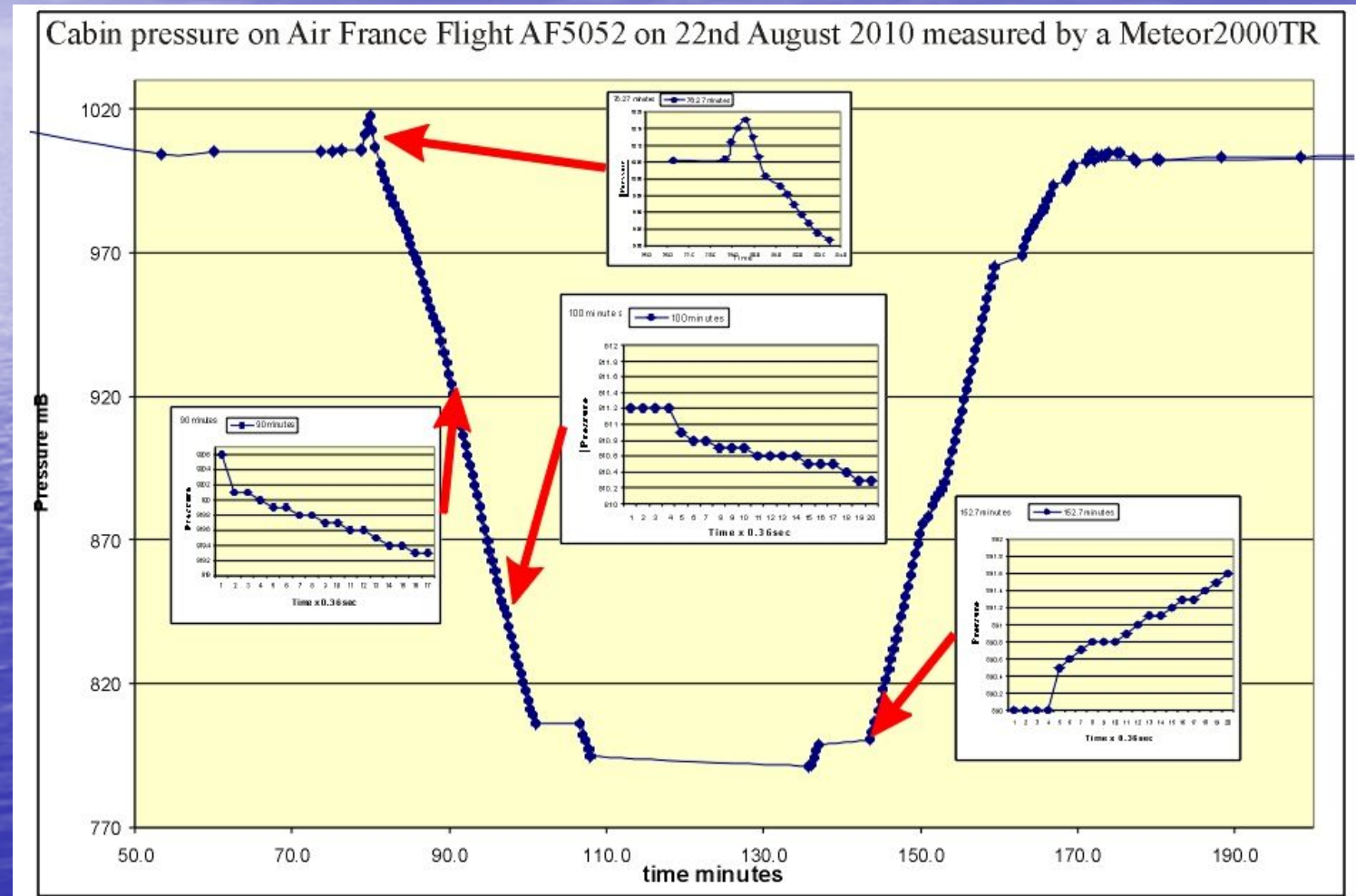
Normal passenger aircraft climbing rates:
(between 10'000 and 30'000 ft)

A320: 2000-2200 ft/min const.
A319: from 3000 to 1500 ft/min
A321: from 1400 to 500 ft/min

Source: <https://www.quora.com>

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (2c)



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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (3)

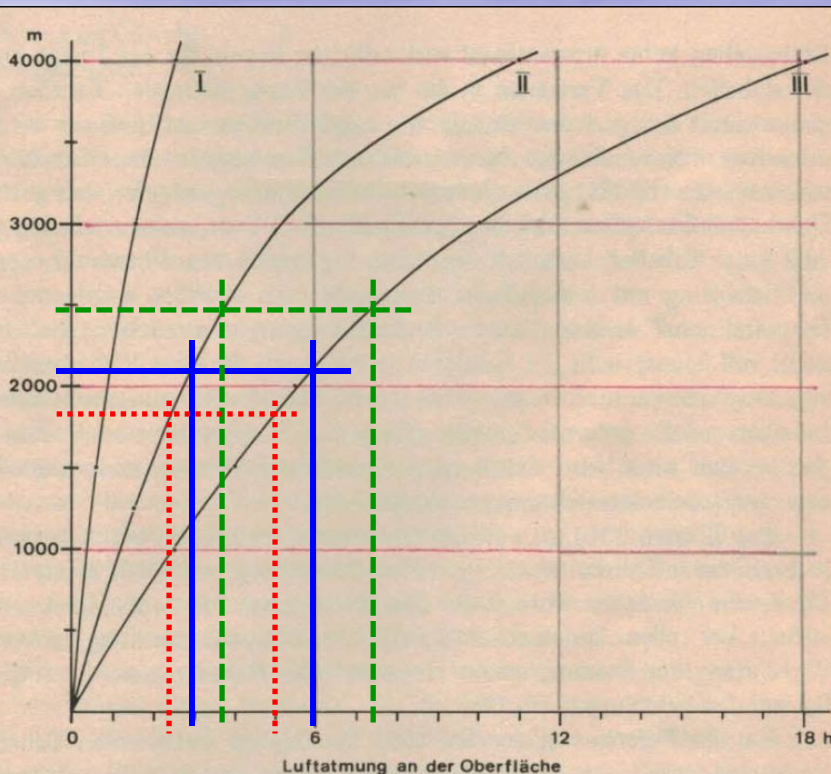
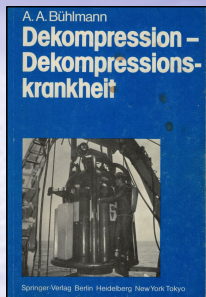


Abb. 17. Fliegen nach Tauchgängen für Sporttaucher. I = Einmalige Tauchgänge ohne Dekompression aber tiefer als 12 m in 0–700 m ü.M. oder tiefer als 9 m in der Höhe. II = Einmalige Tauchgänge ohne Dekompression bis 12 m (0–700 m ü.M.) oder bis 9 m (in der Höhe) sowie einmalige Tauchgänge mit Dekompression bis zu einer Tauchzeit von 120 min. III = Tauchzeiten länger als 120 min, repetierte Tauchgänge, „Tauchferien“

Höhe ü.M. [m]	Höhe ü.M. [ft]	pamb-surf [bar]	pO2 Luft [bar]
0	0	1.013	0.211
250	820	0.983	0.204
500	1'640	0.954	0.198
750	2'461	0.926	0.193
1'000	3'281	0.898	0.187
1'250	4'101	0.872	0.181
1'500	4'921	0.846	0.176
1'750	5'741	0.821	0.171
2'000	6'562	0.797	0.166
2'250	7'382	0.773	0.161
2'500	8'202	0.750	0.156
2'750	9'022	0.728	0.151
3'000	9'843	0.707	0.147
3'250	10'663	0.686	0.143
3'500	11'483	0.665	0.138
3'750	12'303	0.646	0.134
4'000	13'123	0.627	0.130
4'250	13'944	0.608	0.127
4'500	14'764	0.590	0.123
4'750	15'584	0.573	0.119
5'000	16'404	0.556	0.116

as of 1983

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (4a)

Situation	cabin pressure	equivalent cabine altitude	equivalent cabine altitude
	(bar)	(m a.s.l.)	(ft a.s.l.)
normal flight	0.77	2'300	7'546
max. tolerated technical deviation	0.60	4'250	13'944
max. single failure	0.55	4'800	15'748
triggering of masks	0.54	5'000	16'404
Asumption for table calculations	0.58-0.60	4'400	14'436

(data as of 1986 by Lufthansa)

For the table calculation a cabin pressure of 0.58 bar (corresp. to approx. 4600m) was assumed. This pressure is a trifle lower than the lowest possible pressure according to IATA rules (0.60bar), which is classified as a „tolerated technical deviation“.

„normal“ are approx. 0.77-0.8bar (approx. 2300-2000m on 35'000 to 39'000ft).



venting valve

Data of 2018

Typical values for A330:
Short flights <2.5Std.: 7460ft
Long flights: 8000ft:

Typical values for A350:
All flights: 6000ft

Typical values for B747-400:
10 hrs flight
Altitude 34'00ft/10300m: 0.843bar
Altitude 40'000ft / 12'200m: 0.792bar

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (4aa)



modern (B757, 767)
control panel



*'Ladies and gentlemen,
the oxygen masks have
dropped down. A stewardess
will be along shortly
to charge you for them'*

If the masks drop down,
you should not care too
much about DCS....

**but having you credit
card ready for paying
the extra oxygen!**



Jet Airways, B737, real
incident in Mumbai

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (4b)



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FLIEGEN nach Tauchen

Berechnungssystem

ZHL-12 ☒ / Version: **Tab. 87**

ZHL-16 ☐ / Version:

ZHL- 6 ☐ / Version:

Umgebungsdaten

Höhenlage (m.ü.M.) : **0**

Oberfl.-druck (bar) : **1.013**

N₂-Anteil α_{N₂} (-) : **0.79**

Wasserdampfdruck : **0.0603**

P_{H2O}(bar)

Kompartimentsdaten

Halbwertszeit (Min.) : **#7**

Faktor a (bar) : **54.3**

Faktor b (-) : **0.4580**

Zeitkonstante k (1/Min.) : **0.3700**

Zwischenergebnisse

P_{N2}insp.surf. (bar) : **0.74023**

P_{TN2} max. surf.(bar) : **1.61743**

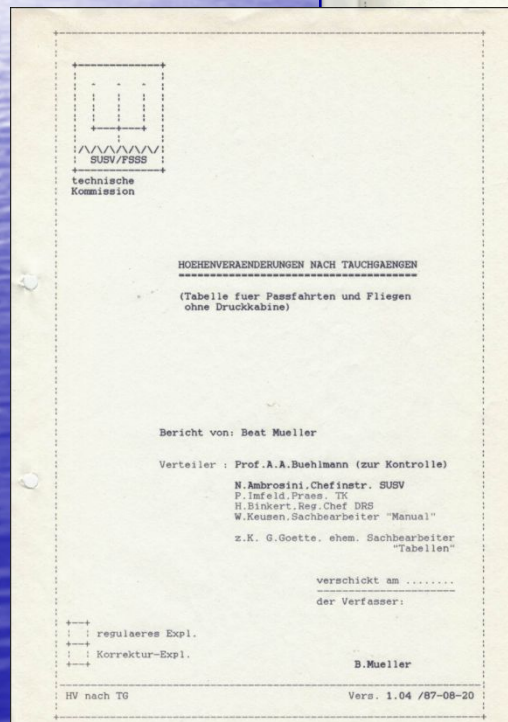
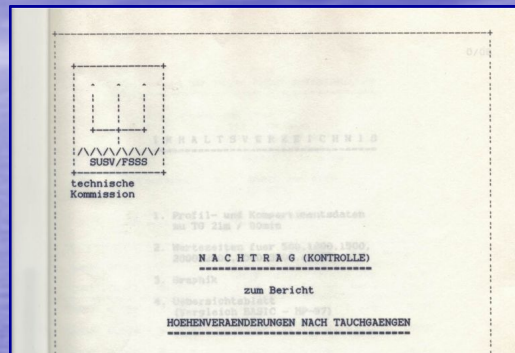
P_{H2O}(bar) Zeiten in Minuten

P _{cab.} (bar)	P _{TN2} für Δt = 0	P _{TN2} = 1.420 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.440 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.450 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.460 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.480 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.500 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.525 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.550 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.575 bar	P _{TN2} = 1.600 bar	Δt für P _{TN2} max.
0.50	1.04271	63.43	65.70	66.82	67.91	70.06	72.15	74.69	77.14	79.52	81.84	83.41
0.60	1.15766	38.20	40.47	41.58	42.69	44.83	46.92	49.45	51.91	54.29	56.60	58.18
0.70	1.27260	19.15	21.42	22.53	23.63	25.77	27.86	30.40	32.86	35.24	37.55	39.12
0.80	1.38754	3.83	6.10	7.22	8.31	10.46	12.55	15.09	17.54	19.92	22.24	23.81
0.90	1.50248	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.28	4.74	7.12	9.43	11.00
0.58	1.13467	42.64	62.84	46.02	47.12	47.27	51.36	53.89	56.35	58.73	61.04	62.61
0.63	1.19214	31.98	52.19	35.37	36.46	38.61	40.70	43.24	45.69	48.07	50.39	51.96

Parametric calculation for each tissue with varying cabin pressures

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (5a)



Oberflächenpause
Intervalle de surface

RG nach Ende des Tauchganges
GR à la fin de la plongée

	H	G	F	E	D	C	B	A	"0"
H	5	15	25	45	60	75	100	130	12
G	15	25	45	60	75	100	130	12	5
F	25	45	60	75	100	130	12	5	2
E	45	60	75	100	130	12	5	2	2
D	60	75	100	130	12	5	2	2	2
C	75	100	130	12	5	2	2	2	2
B	100	130	12	5	2	2	2	2	2
A	130	12	5	2	2	2	2	2	2
"0"	12	5	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

RG am Ende der Oberflächenpause
GR à la fin de l'intervalle de surface

Beispiel: Wiederholungsgruppe RG F nach Ende des Tauchganges
- nach 45 Minuten ist RG C, nach 90 Minuten A erreicht (Zwischenwerte abrunden)
- nach 8 Stunden kann ohne Zeitzuschlag getaucht werden
- 4 Stunden Wartezeit bis Flug

Exemple: Groupe répétitif GR F à la fin de la plongée
- après 45 minutes F devient C, après 90 minutes F devient A (prendre pour les valeurs intermédiaires celle immédiatement inférieure)
- après 8 heures on peut replonger sans ajouter de majoration
- temps d'attente avant l'envoi: 4 heures

Passfahrten und Fliegen ohne Druckkabine
Le passage d'un col et vols sans cabine pressurisée

(Zwischenwerte der Höhe aufrunden/négliger pour les valeurs intermédiaires d'altitude celle immédiatement supérieure)

Höhe (m) altitude (m)	A-B	E	F	G	H
2500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	2:00
3000	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30
3500	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30	5:00
4000	1:00	1:30	3:00	5:00	7:00

Alle Wartezeiten in Std:Min/Tous les temps d'attente en hrs:min

Anmerkungen:
1. Kein zusätzlicher Aufstieg innerhalb der ersten Stunde des Intervalls nach dem TGI
2. Nach Ablauf dieser ersten Stunde: gleichmässiger Aufstieg zur Zielhöhe.
3. Zielhöhe darf nicht vor angegebener Wartezeit erreicht werden.

Remarques:
1. Pas de remontée pendant la première heure de l'intervalle après la plongée!
2. Après cette première heure: commencer une montée régulière.
3. L'altitude envisagée ne doit pas être atteinte avant le temps d'attente indiqué.

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Result: an adequate consistent and coherent system which is – just another benefit – easy to use.

Table is intentionally limited to RG=H, because this is on the outer edge of recreational sports diving.

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Flying after Diving (5b)



Fliegen nach Tauchen

(Entsättigungszeiten, Wartezeiten bis Flug)

1. System ZHL-12, Koeffizienten wie P2-2
2. Oberflächendruck $p_0 = 0.95$ bar
3. alle Gewebe zu Beginn mit $p_{0.751} = 0.751$ bar initialisiert
4. Abstiegsgeschwindigkeit 30m/Min.
5. Aufstiegs geschwindigkeit bis 1. Dekostufe 10m/Min.
6. Kabinendruck 0.58 bar
7. Die Tabelle gilt ausschliesslich zum Fliege-Fest-Tauchgänger!

Tiefe (m)	Grundzeit (Min.)	Dekostufen	Entsättigungszeit (Std.)	Wartezeit bis Flug (Std.)
		3m 6m 9m		
9 NZ=607'	300	- - -	26.5	6.3
12 NZ=140.4'	120 180	- - - 8 - -	18.3 24.1	3.0 5.5
15 NZ= 78.9'	75 120 180	- - - 18 - - 40 - -	14.9 21.9 27.5	1.6 4.6 7.0
18 NZ= 55.2'	60 90 120	4 - - 22 - - 36 2 -	14.5 20.6 24.8	1.4 4.1 5.8
21 NZ= 41.6'	35 50 70	- - - 7 - - 23 - -	9.8 14.2 19.3	0.6 1.3 3.5
24 NZ= 27.9'	25 40 60	- - - 6 - - 25 2 -	7.9 12.9 19.2	0.4 0.9 3.5
27 NZ= 21.8'	22 30 40	1 - - 4 - - 14 1 -	7.8 10.9 14.8	0.4 0.7 1.6
30 NZ= 18.1'	20 30 40	2 - - 7 1 - 18 4 -	7.9 12.2 16.6	0.4 0.9 2.4
33 NZ= 13.7'	17 25 30	2 - - 5 2 - 12 3 -	7.4 11.2 13.7	0.3 0.7 1.0
36 NZ= 13.5'	15 20 30	2 - - 4 1 - 15 5 1	7.1 9.6 15.2	0.3 0.6 1.7
39 NZ= 11.8'	12 20 25	1 - - 2 1 - 11 5 1	6.0 10.5 13.6	0.1 0.4 1.0
42 NZ= 10.6'	10 15 20	- - - 4 1 - 5 4 1	5.3 8.3 11.6	0.1 0.5 0.8

Passfahrten und Fliegen ohne Druckkabine Le passage d'un col et vol sans cabine pressurisée

(Zwischenwerte der Höhe aufrunden/prendre pour les valeurs intermédiaires d'altitude celle immédiatement supérieure)

Höhe (m) altitude (m)	RG am ENDE des Tauchganges GR à la FIN de la plongée				
	A-D	E	F	G	H
2500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	2:00
3000	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30
3500	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30	5:30
4000	1:00	1:30	3:00	5:00	7:00

Alle Wartezeiten in Std:Min/Tous les temps d'attente en hrs:min

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Remarques:

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2. Après cette première heure: commencer une montée **régulière**.
3. L'altitude envisagée **ne doit pas être atteinte avant** le temps d'attente indiqué.

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It was shown that especially longer dives at shallow depths led to longer desaturation times and waiting times for flying.

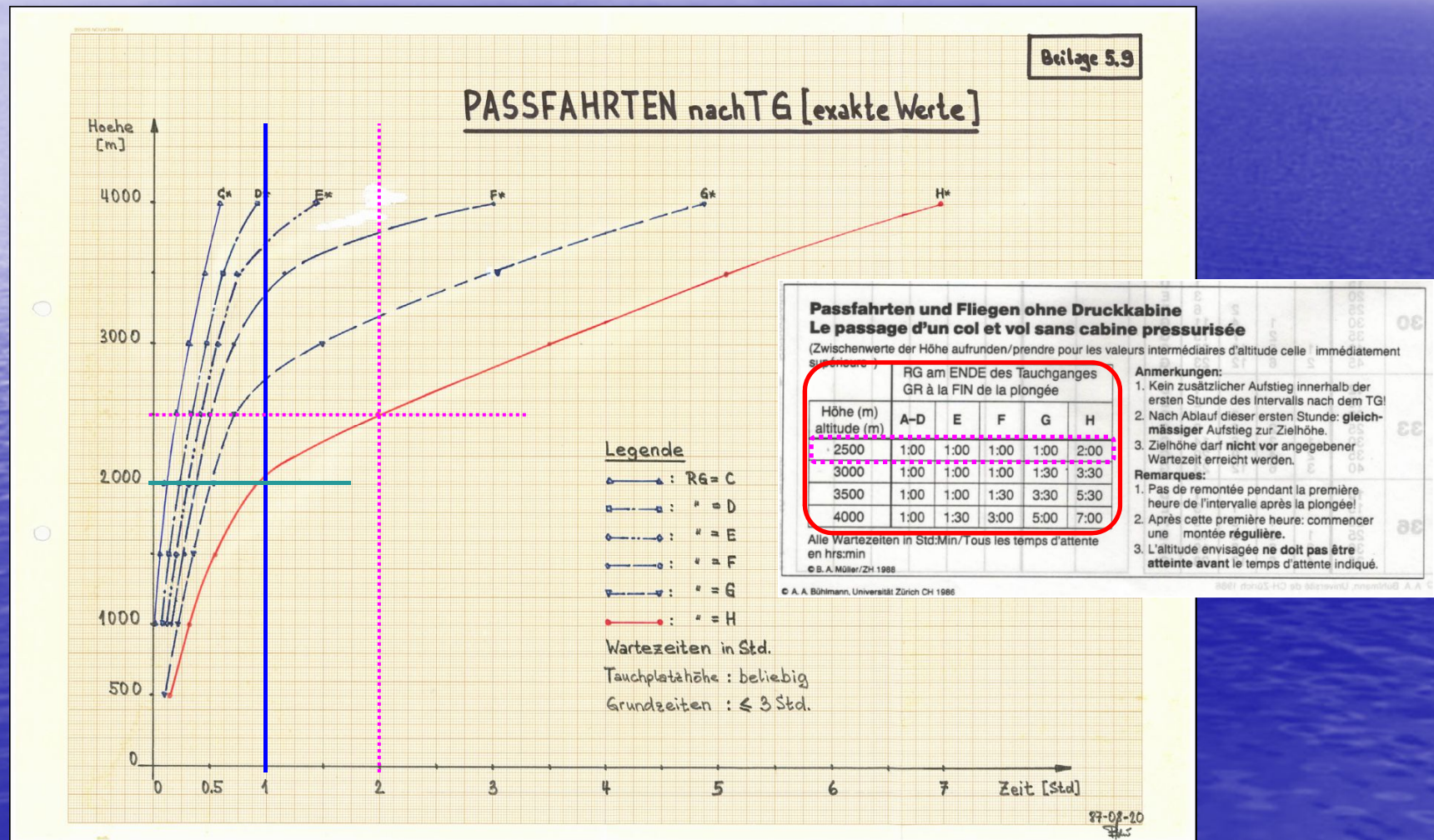
Obvious reason: for these profiles, the leading compartments are those with longer halftimes which

- a) have lower inert gas tissue limits and
- b) require more time to desaturate.

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Crossing a Pass and Flying in non-pressurized Aircraft



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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Number crunching behind...

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S. 1 u. 2 an den Herren
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Luftdekompressionstabelle 0 - 700 m ü.M. Zürich 1986

Tiefe m	Grundzeit min	Aufstieg zum 1. Halt min	Haltezeiten				Gesamtauf- stiegszeit min	Repetitiv- gruppe	
			m	min	12	9			6
<u>12</u>	125	1	125	136	1			2	G
	150	1	3	8	7	8	17	H	
	180	1	16	23	18	15	17	H	
	210	1	22	26	23	19	19	H	
	240	1	31	32	28	27	27	K	
	270	1	43	32	34	33	33	K	
	300	1		36	42	37	37	K	
<u>15</u>	30	1	5	1	1		2	G	
	90	1	10	7	7	8	18	G	
	105	1	16	20	17	15	18	H	
	120	1	28	20	21	21	21	H	
	150	1	34	25	34	26	34	H	
	180	1	39	40	38	41	45	K	
	210	1	53	2	5	46	55	3 55 K	
	240	1	72	7	6	54	66	7 66 K	
<u>18</u>	51	2	2	1	1		3	F	
	60	2	5	5	6		7	F	
	70	2	10	11	11	13	13	G	
	80	2	14	18	15	20	20	G	
	90	2	20	24	25	26	26	H	
	105	2	28	1	31	32	34	H	
	120	2	36	4	35	40	40	H	
	150	2	5	13	9	45	45	56 K	
	180	2	16	21	19	52	61	80 K	
	210	2	25	31	25	60	104	87 K	
<u>21</u>	35	2					3	E	
	50	2					8	F	
	60	2					16	G	
	70	2					25	G	
	80	2					3	29 H	
	90	2					7	32 H	
	105	2					15	36 H	
	120	2					20	42 H	

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Stufy!!

0.932

KG feller Craft?

Rep. G. 14m

Professor Bühlmann as a numerical wizard.....

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repeated iterations of corrections
and refinements.....

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Decision for Introduction

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AN DIE MITGLIEDER DES ZV

AI MEMERI DEL
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AUX MEMBRES DU BD

INCARICO DEL BD DEL 21 6 86 ALLA COMM. AD HOC : INTRODUZIONE NUOVE TABELLE .	AUFTRAG DES ZV VOM 21 6 1986 AN DIE AD HOC KOM. EINFÜHRUNG DER NEUEN TABELLEN .	Demande du BD du 21 06 1986 à la commission ad hoc pour l'introduction des nouvelles tables.
La commissione, preso atto della documenta- zione esistente ed esperiti i necessari accertamenti, ha deci- so all'unanimità quanto segue : 1.- Il Comitato Cen- trale FSSS è invitato a voler decidere l'in- troduzione presso la Federazione delle nuo- ve tabelle Bühlmann 83/FSSS . 2.- Ne viene parimen- ti proposta l'entrata in vigore per l'1 1 87.	Die Kommission hat, nach Kenntnisnahme der be- stehenden Unterlagen und den nötigen Ueber- prüfungen, folgendes ein- stimmig beschlossen : 1.- Der Zentralvorstand des SUSV wird ersucht, die neuen Bühlmann Ta- bellen 83/SUSV in den Verband einzuführen. 2.- Gleichzeitig wird vorgeschlagen, sie mit dem 1. Januar 1987 in Kraft zu setzen.	La commission a décidé à l'unanimité, après avoir pris connaissance de la documentation existante et fait les vérifications nécessaires, de : 1. inviter le BD d'accep- ter les tables Bühlmann 83/FSSS, 2. de les faire entrer en vigueur dans toute la Fédération à partir du 1er janvier 1987.

Ambrosini Nicolao Badoux Maurice Bianchi Patrizio Galfetti Americo Müller Beat

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**Successful
Termination**

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Final report to the Instructor in Chief

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Betrifft: Passfahrtentabelle, Höhenveränderungen
nach Tauchgängen

Lieber Nico,

ich habe zwischenzeitlich meinen Bericht mit Prof.Buehlmann durchgesehen und wertemaessig ueberprueft. Auf seinen Wunsch hin habe ich fuer ein zusaetzliches, spezielles Tauchgangprofil (21m/80') die verlangten Wartezeiten fuer alle Hoeehen sowohl mit dem BASIC-Programm, wie auch auf dem HP-97 durchgerechnet. Die Werte der beiden Programme stimmen einmal gegenseitig, aber auch mit den durch Handrechnungen von Prof. Buehlmann ermittelten Werten voellig ueberein.

Im weiteren Verlauf der Diskussion ging Prof.Buehlmann noch einmal auf das Phaenomen der verzögerten Gaselimination im Bereich der Haut und Muskulatur waehrend des Oberflaechenintervalles ein.

Um dieses Problem auch noch in den Griff zu bekommen, macht Prof.Buehlmann folgenden Vorschlag:

1. als minimale Wartezeit an der Oberflaeche sollte ein Intervall von 1 Stunde nicht unterschritten werden.
2. die Rundung der exakten Werte sollte auf HALBE Stunden erfolgen (meine Variante "B").

Damit ergibt sich folgendes Tabellenbild:

Rep. Gruppen									
zul. Hoehe [m]	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00
1500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00
2000	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00
2500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	2:00
3000	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30	
3500	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30	5:30	
4000	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:00	5:00	7:00	

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Dies kann noch stark vereinfacht werden (mit der Anmerkung!):

Rep. Gruppen				
zul. Hoehe [m]	E	F	G	H
2500	1:00	1:00	1:00	2:00
3000	1:00	1:00	1:30	3:30
3500	1:00	1:30	3:30	5:30
4000	1:30	3:00	5:00	7:00

Anmerkung: im Verlauf der ersten Stunde nach einem TG kann in den RG "A" bis "D" stetig bis 4000m, in den uebrigen RG's bis 2000m aufgestiegen werden!

Ferner kann festgehalten werden:

Die Sicherheit der vorliegenden Tabelle fuer Hoeehenveränderungen nach Tauchgaengen basiert auf folgenden Punkten:

1. experimentell durch Kammerversuche und Freiwassertauchgaenge breit abgestuetzte Koeffizienten des Systems ZHL-12
2. das dem vorangegangenen TG zugrundegelegte Rechteckprofil (ergibt hoeheren Inertgasdruck im Kompartiment)
3. der diesem TG zugrundegelegte Tiefenzuschlag
4. die Annahme der Ausgangshoehe (Tauchplatz) mit 0 m, d.h. Meereshoehe
5. die Annahme eines zeitlosen Aufstiegs auf die Zielhoehe
6. die Bestimmung der maximalen Wartezeit an der moeglichst exakt ermittelten Grenze von einer RG zur naechsten
7. die ausschliessliche Beruecksichtigung des Maximalwertes aller TG innerhalb einer Rep. Gruppe
8. die Vorschrift einer minimalen Wartezeit von 1 Stunde
9. die Aufrundung der exakten Werte auf die naechste halbe Stunde

Damit ich rechtzeitig die entsprechende Publikation mit Erklarungen und ev. Beispielen fuer den NEREUS vorbereiten kann, darf ich Dich bitten, mir moeglichst RASCH (spaaetestens bis 21.10.87) eine verbindliche Stellungnahme zukommen zu lassen.

Falls gewuenscht, bin ich auch bereit, anlaesslich der TK-Sitzung am 19.10.87 in Zuerich und/oder am Zentralkurs eine Praesentation zu diesem Thema zu geben.

Auf Grund der umfangreichen Dokumentation die Euch (TK, IA) vorliegt, sowie des Vertrauens, das wir alle in die Arbeit von Prof.Buehlmann setzen, sollte die Meinungsbildung eigentlich eine kurze Sache sein.

In Erwartung Deiner Antwort verbleibe ich

mit kollegialen Gruessen

Beat

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Presentation to the Public

The final „product“: the air diving tables of '86 (1)

- ❖ 2 forms for usage:
 - paper print
 - plastified version
- ❖ 2 sets of diving tables for different altitude ranges
 - 0 – 700m a.s.l. (complete adaption at sea level, immediate dive at 700m)
 - 701 – 2500m a.s.l. (complete adaption at 700m, drive to 2500m in 1 hr, immediate dive)
- ❖ 1 Surface Intervall Table (SIT) for 0-2500m a.s.l. including
 - Time for almost complete desaturation for each RG at end of dive
 - Waiting Time for Flying after diving in pressurized aircrafts
- ❖ 1 Residual Nitrogen Table (RNT) for 0-2500m a.s.l.
- ❖ 1 Table for Waiting Times for Flying after diving in non-pressurized aircrafts and for crossing a pass (up to 4000m a.s.l.)
- ❖ Handling rules for all tables

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Printed version of tables

The final „product“: the air diving tables of '86 (2)

Nullzeiten und Dekompressionszeiten Courbe de sécurité et temps de décompression									
0-700 mUM m s/mer									
Tiefe Prof. m	Zeit Dauer min	Stufen Paliers 12m 9m 6m 3m	RG GR	Tiefe Prof. m	Zeit Dauer min	Stufen Paliers 15m 12m 9m 6m 3m	RG GR	A 9	
12	125 140 150								
15	75 80 90 100 110 120								
18	51 60 70 80 90								
21	35 40 50 60 70 80								
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30	17 20 25 30 35 40 50								
33	14 20 25 30 35 40 50								
36	12 15 20 25 30 35 40 50								

Nullzeiten und Dekompressionszeiten Courbe de sécurité et temps de décompression									
701-2500 mUM m s/mer									
Tiefe Prof. m	Zeit Dauer min	Stufen Paliers 9m 6m 4m 2m	RG GR	Tiefe Prof. m	Zeit Dauer min	Stufen Paliers 12m 9m 6m 4m 2m	RG GR	A 11	
9	238								
12	99 110 120								
15	62 70 80 90								
18	44 50 60 70 80 90								
21	30 35 40 50 60 70								
24	22 30 35 40 50 60								
27	18 20 25 30 35 40								
30	15 20 25 30 35 40								
33	12 15 20 25 30 35								
36	10 15 20 25 30 35								

Wiederholungstauchgänge 0-2500 mUM Plongées successives de 0-2500 m s/mer									
0-2500 mUM m s/mer									
Oberflächenpause Intervalle de surface									
RG nach Ende des Tauchganges GR à la fin de la plongée									
12	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
15	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
18	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
21	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
24	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
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30	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
33	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
36	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50

Printed paper version; it is agreed that diving beyond 40m (absolute) is regarded in most jurisdictions as an voluntary risk, which may have legal consequences.

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The '86 Air Diving Tables: Plastified version of tables

The final „product“: the air diving tables of '86 (3)

701-2500m



0-700 m

NO-DECOMPRESSION LIMITS AIR DIVING DECOMPRESSION TABLE

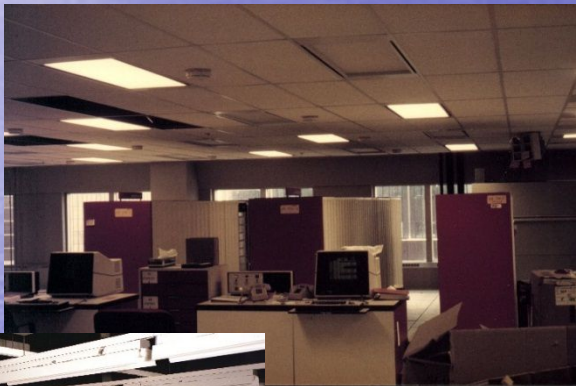
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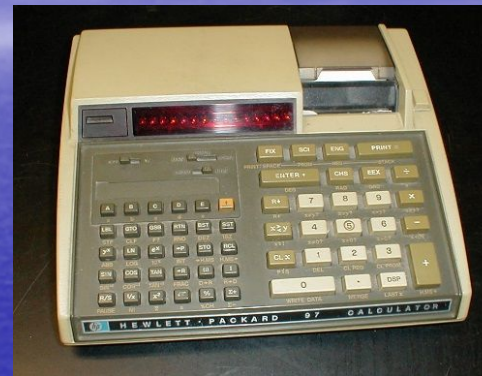
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Tools and Technical Support behind (1)



parallel...
(IBM 3033 and 3081;
Fortran Program)



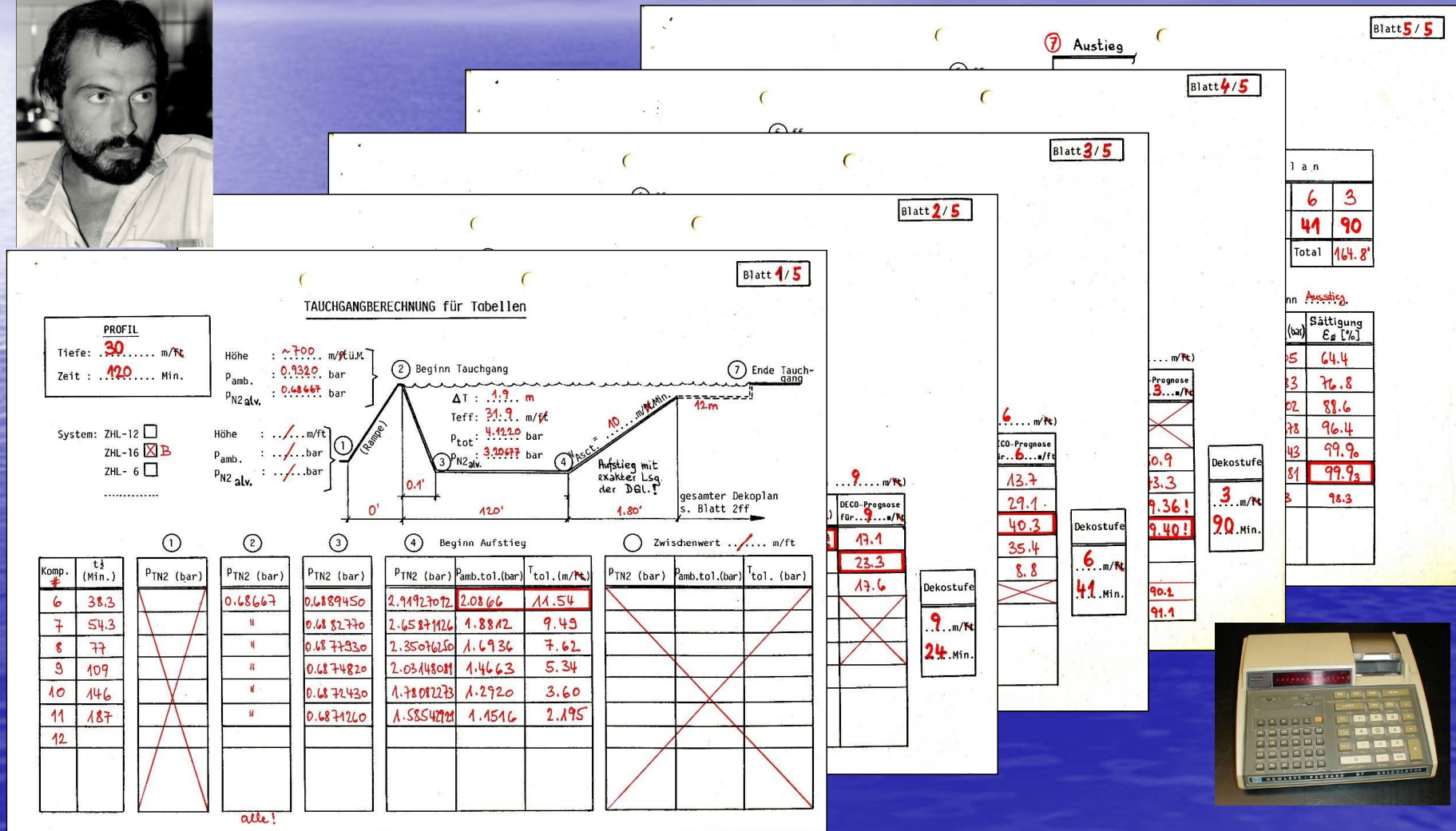
First try... (HP97; 224
programmable steps;
reverse Polish notation)



2nd try: Compaq portable III;
Turbo Basic

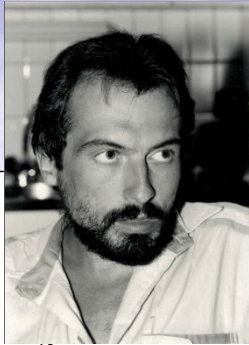
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Tools and Technical Support behind (2)



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Tools and Technical Support behind (3)



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      I(1),PIGNEU(1),DELTAT )
      *****80*****
      *****
      ER KOMPARTIMENTSDRUECKE DES MODELLS
      SULTAT AUF DASSELBE 2-DIM. ARRAY.
      -08-03 / #62

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*
*
LOCAL      ITPY(), DPDT()
DIM DYNAMIC ITPY(2), DPDT(2)
*
*
*ERROR - HANDLING
*
ON ERROR GOTO ERRPTIGA
*
*
*CHECK AUF NEGATIVE WERTE / EXIT FUER DELTAT=0
*
FOR I = 0 TO NTISS-1
  FOR J = 1 TO NGAMAX
    IF PTISS[J,I] < 0.0 THEN PTISS[J,I] = 0.0
  NEXT J
NEXT I
*
IF DELTAT = 0.0 THEN ENDPITGA
*
*FESTSTELLUNG DER BERECHNUNGSART
*
FOR J = 1 TO NGAMAX
  ITPY[J] = 2
  DPDT[J] = (PIGNEU[J] - PIGALT[J]) / DELTAT
  IF DPDT[J] = 0.0 THEN ITPY[J] = 1
NEXT J
*
*NACHFUEHREN KOMPARTIMENTSDRUECKE
*
STRPTIGA:
  FOR I = 0 TO NTISS-1
    IF ITEXCL[I] = 1 THEN ENDPITGA
    FOR J = NGAMI TO NGAMA
      IF DELTAT >= NTZAMAX*2T2[J,I]_
        THEN PTISS[J,I] = PIGNEU[J]: GOTO CHECKA
      EXPO = EXP(-FKIJ,I)*DELTAT
      ON ITPY[J] GOTO ITPY1A, ITPY2A
    NEXT J
  NEXT I
  ITPY1A:
    'a) mit einfacher Lsg. der DGL
    PTISS[J,I] = PIGNEU[J] - (PIGNEU[J]-PTISS[J,I]) *EXPO
    GOTO CHECKA
  ITPY2A:
    'b) mit strenger Lsg. der DGL
    PTISS[J,I] = PIGNEU[J]-DPDT[J]*FKIJ,I]_
      - (PIGALT[J]-PTISS[J,I]-DPDT[J]*FKIJ,I]) *EXP(
CHECKA:
  IF PTISS[J,I] < 0.0 THEN PTISS[J,I] = 0.0
  NEXT J

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                SOFTWARE DEPARTEMENT
Programmer    : B.Mueller
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Eingabe (#2)  : DTABMUTT.INP
Ausgabe (#3)  : T08Z5r15.Wh3
Datum         : 88-08-28

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14. Höhenlage (Höhe) h $\approx$ u.M.	= 2500 m
2a. Oberfl.-Luftdruck Höhe 1	= 0.741 bar
3a. alv. N2-Druck (Oberfl.Höhe 1)=	= 0.537 bar
4a. alv. HE-Druck (Oberfl.Höhe 1)=	= 0.000 bar
1b. Höhenlage (Höhe) h $\approx$ u.M.	= 800 m
2b. Oberfl.-Luftdruck Höhe 0	= 0.917 bar
3b. alv. N2-Druck (Oberfl.Höhe 0)=	= 0.675 bar
4b. alv. HE-Druck (Oberfl.Höhe 0)=	= 0.000 bar
5. Anfahrtszeit $H_{\text{Höhe0}} \rightarrow H_{\text{Höhe1}}$	= 15 min
6. Aufenthaltsdauer auf Höhe 1	= 180 min
7a. konst. N2-Anteil Oberfläche	= 79.0 %
7b. konst. HE-Anteil Oberfläche	= 0.0 %
8a. konst. N2-Anteil während TG	= 79.0 %
8b. konst. HE-Anteil während TG	= 0.0 %
9. konst. Wasserdampfdruck	= 0.062 bar
10. konst. CO2-Partialdruck	= 0.053 bar
11. Respirationskoeffizient	= 1.000
12a. Drucksteigerungsfaktor	= 0.951 bar/10m
12b. entspr. Wasserdichte	= 0.980 kg/liter
13. konst. TIEFEN-Zuschlag	= 0.00 m
14. multipl. TIEFEN-Zuschlag	= 0.00 %
15. zus. Dekostufen-Sicherheit	= 0.00 m
16. konst. Tiefenzuschl. DEKO	= 0.00 m
17. multipl. Tiefenzuschl. DEKO	= 0.00 %
18. Abtauchzeit a. Tiefe (fix)	= 3.0 min
19. Auftauchgeschwindigkeit	= 10.0 m/min
21. Spezif. Luftverbr. (Oberfl.)	= 20.0 l/min./m
22a. Kabinendruck f. Wartezeit	= 0.676 bar
22b. Flughöhe n. Kabinendruck	= 3000 m
23a. Kabinen-HE-Partialdruck	= 0.501 bar
23b. Kabinen-N2-Partialdruck	= 0.000 bar
23c. Zeitloser Aufstieg bis Flughöhe (TAFLG=0.0 min)	
24. Entsaftung bis PIGSF1 & 1.050	
25. Grundzeit = Abtauchzeit + Zeit auf Tiefe	
26. Aufstieg ZWISCHEN Dekostufen NICHT berücksichtigt.	
27. alle Dekozeiten auf GANZE Minuten aufgerundet.	
28. Halbwertszeiten, Koeffizienten, tol. Oberfl. Komp.-drucke, K ² -In	

Note: as long as you don't know all this governing parameters, any discussion on a table is useless!

KOMMENTARE: nutissee 800/13/2500/180/tB

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# NULLZEITEN und DEKOMPRESSIONSTABELLE #
# fuer L U F ? #
# #
# HOEHENBEREICH: 800 - 2560 m u.M. #
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[illegible]

Later program version in Turbo Basic on a carry-on Compac PC

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Tools and Technical Support behind (4)

Kind support of Dr. Klaus Meier-Ewert, Germany, Physicist, Diving Instructor and Computer Expert
Cross-Checks done on IBM-mainframe



(†1989)



27+1+5%

Tiefe Grundzeit

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WOHNORT (BAR): .93 TAUCHGEB. (BAR): .75 AUFENTHALT (H): 999.00		KOMPRESSION-DEKOMPRESSIONS-PROFIL										II/ZT 27/55	SEITE 1
		①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	⑦					
AUSGANGSTIEFE (M)	0.00	0.00			1.85	0.00		28.81					
N2-PARTIALDRUCK (BAR)	.69	.69			.69	.54		2.82					
ZIEL-TIEFE GELOTTET (M)	1.85	1.85	1.85		0.00	28.81		28.81					
N2-PARTIALDRUCK (BAR)	.54	.69	.69		.54	2.82		2.82					
AUF/AB-GESCHW. (M/MIN)		999.00			.03	288.10							
ZEIT FUER AUF/AB (MIN)	74836.47	.00			60.00	.10							
VERWEILZEIT (MIN)			99999.00					55.00					
BELASTUNGSFAKTOR								Grundzeit					
TEMPERATURFAKTOR	geg. wird Ø												
LUFTVERBR. (L) 20 L/MIN													
SPEZ.DICHTE 1.02													
		ABSTIEG		AUFENTHALT		AUFSTIEG		ABSTIEG		AUFENTHALT		AUFSTIEG	
GEWEBE-ART	HS-ZEIT	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL	GPN2 PTOL		
GEHIRN- 1	4.00	.540 .000	.551 .000	.687 .000	.555 .000	.574 .000	2.817 .733	2.576 .541					
RUECKENMARK 2	8.00	.540 .000	.524 .000	.687 .000	.568 .000	.578 .000	2.798 1.078	2.674 .979					
3	12.5	.540 .000	.517 .000	.687 .000	.583 .000	.589 .000	2.711 1.345	2.640 1.288					
4	18.5	.540 .000	.561 .000	.687 .000	.599 .000	.603 .000	2.535 1.365	2.498 1.335					
HAUT- 5	27.0	.540 .000	.503 .000	.687 .000	.615 .000	.618 .000	2.281 1.322	2.269 1.311					
MUSKULATUR 6	38.3	.540 .000	.426 .000	.687 .096	.630 .047	.632 .049	2.009 1.233	2.010 1.234					
7	54.3	.540 .063	.687 .190	.687 .190	.643 .152	.644 .153	1.740 1.107	1.747 1.113					
8	77	.540 .090	.687 .222	.687 .222	.653 .192	.654 .193	1.499 .955	1.508 .964					
9	109	.540 .114	.687 .247	.687 .247	.662 .224	.663 .225	1.299 .802	1.308 .811					
INNENOHHR 10	146	.540 .117	.687 .254	.687 .254	.668 .236	.668 .237	1.162 .701	1.170 .708					
11	187	.540 .162	.687 .301	.687 .301	.672 .286	.672 .286	1.067 .661	1.074 .667					
12	239	.540 .162	.687 .301	.687 .301	.675 .289	.675 .289	.991 .588	.997 .594					
GELENKE- 13	305	.540 .275	.687 .415	.687 .415	.677 .406	.678 .407	.929 .648	.934 .653					
KNOCHEN 14	390	.540 .275	.687 .415	.687 .415	.679 .408	.679 .408	.878 .599	.882 .603					
15	498	.540 .275	.687 .415	.687 .415	.681 .410	.681 .410	.838 .561	.842 .564					
16	635	.540 .275	.687 .415	.687 .415	.682 .411	.682 .411	.807 .531	.809 .533					
DEKOZEITEN FUER 2M 4M													
(MIN)	6M 9M												
	12M 15M												
	18M 21M												
	24M 27M												
ME/24.10.86													
		Sättigungszeit ∞-langes auf 2500m 1.85m ± 0.7476or 0.912-0.747		Sätt.zustand bei 700m Rampe				24 13 7 1 Ende Grundzeit		24 14 7			
		.00	.00	9999.00	60.00	.10	55.10	57.08					

→ Zeitachse

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Lake Titicaca Trials; Bolivia, 3800m a.s.l. (1)



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17 December 1986

Dear Herr Müller

EXPEDITION LAKE TITICACA

The plans for the expedition to Lake Titicaca are going well and I am sure that it will prove of great value to you especially as we will have such big coverage in TV and Newspapers. It appears that we will have two Television Teams, one from BBC and the other SSVG-TV as well as a full P.R. Team.

I have written to Professor Buehlmann to arrange a visit in February and I shall be arriving with my Medical Officer and Diving Officer and I thought it would be an ideal opportunity to pick up the Deco-Brains you so kindly offered us and also discuss the data you require from the expedition as well as publicity photographs, etc.

Originally we were planning a two week expedition to Gibraltar but this has now changed to Sardinia and the dates are 27 Feb - 13 March. The aim of this expedition is to work the divers together as a team, practice using the Deco-Brain, and obtain results at sea level for comparison at Lake Titicaca. Should you wish to join us you would be more than welcome.

I look forward in hearing from you in due course.

course.

John
Marc Moody

M MOODY
Capt RAOC
Expedition Leader



BSAC Diving Officer's Conference, London, Nov. 1986

THE VALIDITY OF A MULTI-TISSUE MODEL IN SPORT DIVING DECOMPRESSION

A. A. Bühlmann—University Hospital of Zürich, Switzerland

"What is a multi-tissue model? It is generally accepted that the inert gas pressure gradient is the driving force in the equalisation of nitrogen partial pressures between the breathed air and that in the blood and tissues. The rate of this equalisation of pressure for the uptake and release of inert gas is exponential, and here is the first question – is it the same relation during descent-bottom time and ascent-decompression? We say that it is the same; the half-times are the same for nitrogen uptake or release. If pressure gradients and exposure times are known, the equalisation can be calculated by means of half-value times:

The relation between the nitrogen pressure in the different tissues, represented by different half-value times, and the ambient pressure where no symptoms of insufficient decompression appear is linear.

$$\text{Pamb. tol} = (\text{PN}_{(t)} - a) \times b$$

With this equation, it is possible to calculate the tolerated ambient pressure for every PN₂ and half-value time of nitrogen (Figure 1). For 16 half-value times of nitrogen, we use 16 pairs of coefficients *a* and *b*.

Nitrogen is the normal inert base of our common breathing gas, air in the atmosphere. Other inert gases may be used, such as helium. The longest half-value time of helium is 240 minutes, and the tolerated partial pressures of helium are higher than the values for nitrogen. For diving with oxy-helium we have to use another spectrum of half-value times, and other values for coefficients a and b , but we use the same principle of calculation.

$PN_{i2} = (P_{amb} - 0.063) \cdot 0.79$	
$(PN_{i2} \text{ incl. Argon}) 0.063 = PH_2O \text{ at } 37^\circ C$	
$PN_{i1} (tE) = PN_{i1} (t0) + [PN_{i2} - PN_{i1} (t0)] \cdot [1 - e^{-0.69315 \cdot tE / (1/2) \cdot t}]$	
$PN_{i1} (tE)$	PN_{i1} in the tissue at the end of the exposure
$PN_{i1} (t0)$	PN_{i1} in the tissue at the beginning of the exposure
e	PN_{i1} in inspiration
	is the base of natural logarithms, 2.71828
tE	time of exposure
$(1/2) \cdot t$	half-value time in minutes

The nitrogen partial pressure in the inspired air is the total pressure minus the vapour pressure, multiplied by 0.79 (the proportion of nitrogen and argon). Why the vapour pressure in the airways and the lung? In deep diving – 300m – this is a constant value, related to the body temperature, of 0.2% and you can forget about it. During decompression, at a 3m stop,



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No-decompression limits

UEBERSICHTSTABELLE ZU DEN NULLZEITEN / STATISTIK
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TIEFE	SICHERHEIT	TOTAL-DRUCK	ALVEOL. N2-DRUCK	ALVEOL. HE-DRUCK	ABSTIEG ZEIT	EXAKT. NULLZEIT	ABGER. NULLZEIT	KOMP. INDEX	ANZAHL PROFILE
[m]	[m]	[bar]	[bar]	[min]	[min]	[min]	[min]	[-]	[-]
9	0.00	1.495	1.142	0.000	0.45	457.3	457	10	7
12	0.00	1.784	1.370	0.000	0.60	146.5	146	7	7
15	0.00	2.072	1.598	0.000	0.75	77.2	77	6	13
18	0.00	2.361	1.826	0.000	0.90	47.5	47	4	7
21	0.00	2.649	2.054	0.000	1.05	33.3	33	4	18
24	0.00	2.937	2.282	0.000	1.20	24.2	24	3	18
27	0.00	3.226	2.509	0.000	1.35	19.3	19	3	13
30	0.00	3.514	2.737	0.000	1.50	15.3	15	2	14
33	0.00	3.803	2.965	0.000	1.65	12.7	12	2	14
36	0.00	4.091	3.193	0.000	1.80	10.9	10	2	14
39	0.00	4.380	3.421	0.000	1.95	9.6	9	2	9
42	0.00	4.668	3.649	0.000	2.10	8.5	8	2	10
45	0.00	4.956	3.876	0.000	2.25	7.6	7	2	10

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First version of
NDL-table;
calculated for exact
altitude (3800m);
fully adapted;
without safety
margins for depth;
 $v_{Dsc} = 20\text{m/min}$

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16.1.87

Dekompressionstabellen 2501 - 4500 müM. ZH-L₁₆ Version B Berechnungen von "Hand",
ergänzt mit dem Computer, B. Müller.
P amb. 0.577 bar, P_{IN₂} 0.406 bar, P_{N₂} t. t0 0.416 bar (adaptiert).

Tiefe m	Zeit min	12	9	6	4	2	RG
9	204					1	G
12	88					1	G
	100					5	G
	110					9	G
	120					13	G
15	50					1	E
	60					2	F
	70					8	G
	80					14	G
	90					20	G
18	32					1	D
	40					3	F
	50					7	F
	60					1	13
	70					3	17
21	22					1	D
	30					3	E
	35					6	F
	40					1	7
	45					3	10
	50					4	13
	55					6	15
	60					8	18
24	16					1	D
	25					4	E
	30					1	6
	35					3	8
	40					5	12
	45					1	6
	50					3	7
27	14					1	D
	20					4	E
	25					2	6
	30					5	7
	35					2	5
	40					4	6
30	11					1	D
	15					3	D
	20					2	5
	25					1	4
	30					3	5
	35					1	4
33	9					1	D
	12					2	D
	15					1	4
	18					3	5
	21					1	4
	24					3	5
	27					1	3

A.A. Bühlmann

Final table, calculated for up to 4500m (reason was also a probable evacuation flight with helicopter).

Parameters:

- ZHL-16B
- Fully adapted
- Upper altitude limit: 4500m a.s.l.
- Added safety margins for depth
- descent rate of 20m/min
- ascent rate of 10m/min

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Statement of the then British Ambassador
in Bolivia at the arrival at La Paz airport:

**„Gentlemen, whatever happens,
stay British!“**

To save the honor of Switzerland, it must be said that the Swiss
Embassador also gave a farewell party to the expedition team.

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EX PADDINGTON DIAMOND
TEAM MEMBERS

A Goodwin <i>Boats</i>	M V Ince <i>Asst Admin</i>	M Strickland <i>Diving Officer</i>	F Walker <i>Trig Officer</i>
M Moody <i>Expedition Leader</i>	J Beatty <i>Equipments</i>	D Laut <i>PR</i>	D Morgan - Jones <i>Medical Officer</i>
P Rheiner <i>Medical Advisor</i>	W Kauson <i>Tech Advisor</i>	R Dally <i>Asst Eggs</i>	A Hayes <i>Admin Officer</i>



Final comparison prior to the dive.



Local ladies



Compressor maintenance was a continuous operation, starting first thing in the morning was sometimes difficult.



Capt Strickland and Cpl Beatty our two mechanics



All the information was input into the latest desktop computer kindly loaned by 'WANG'.



Routine blood pressure tests.

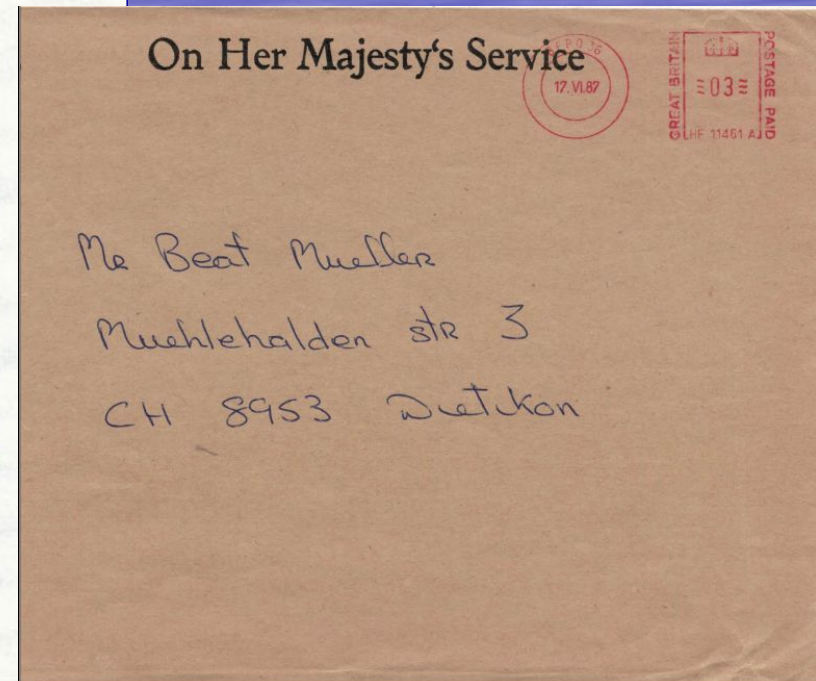
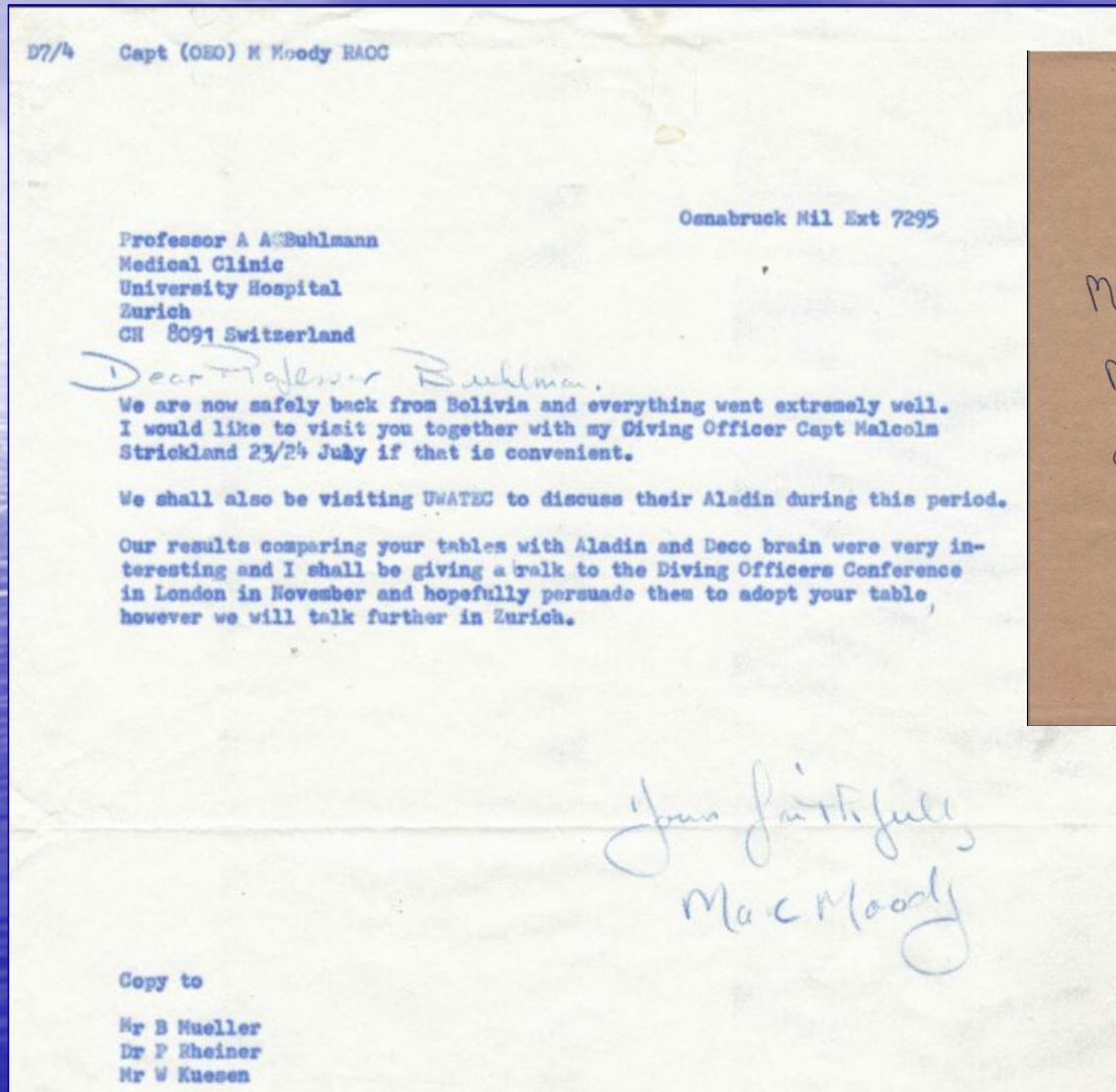
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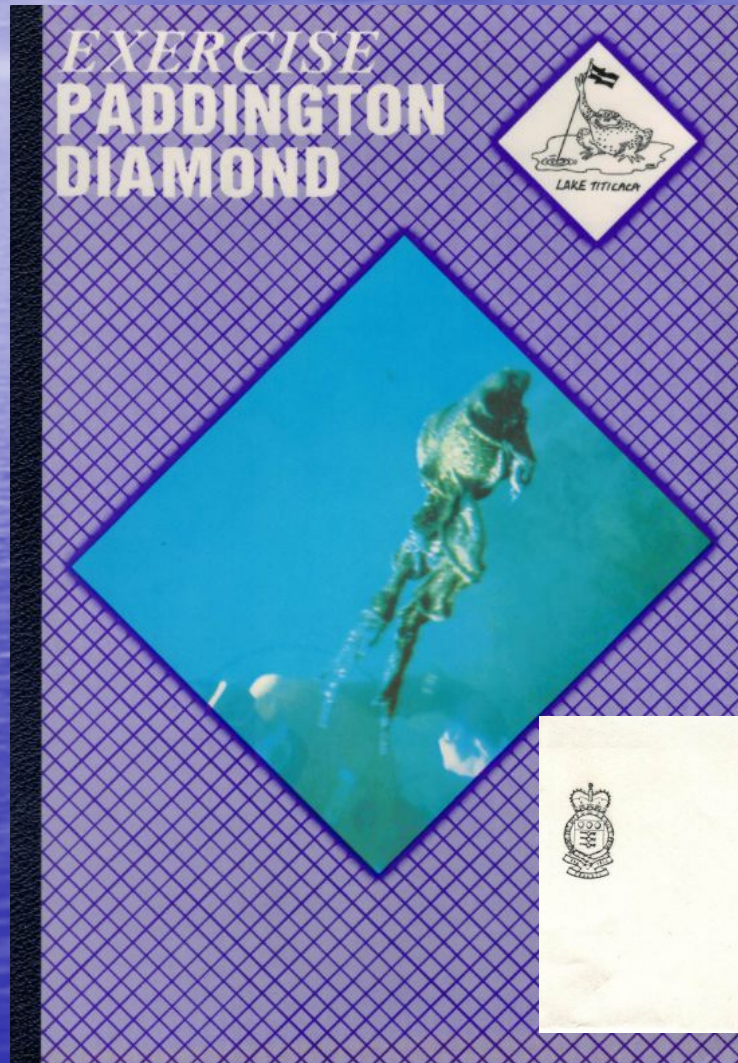
Lake Titicaca; Bolivia, 3800m a.s.l. (7)



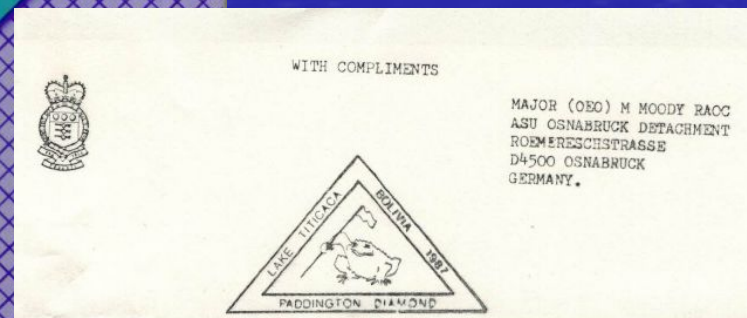
**Safely back
home!**

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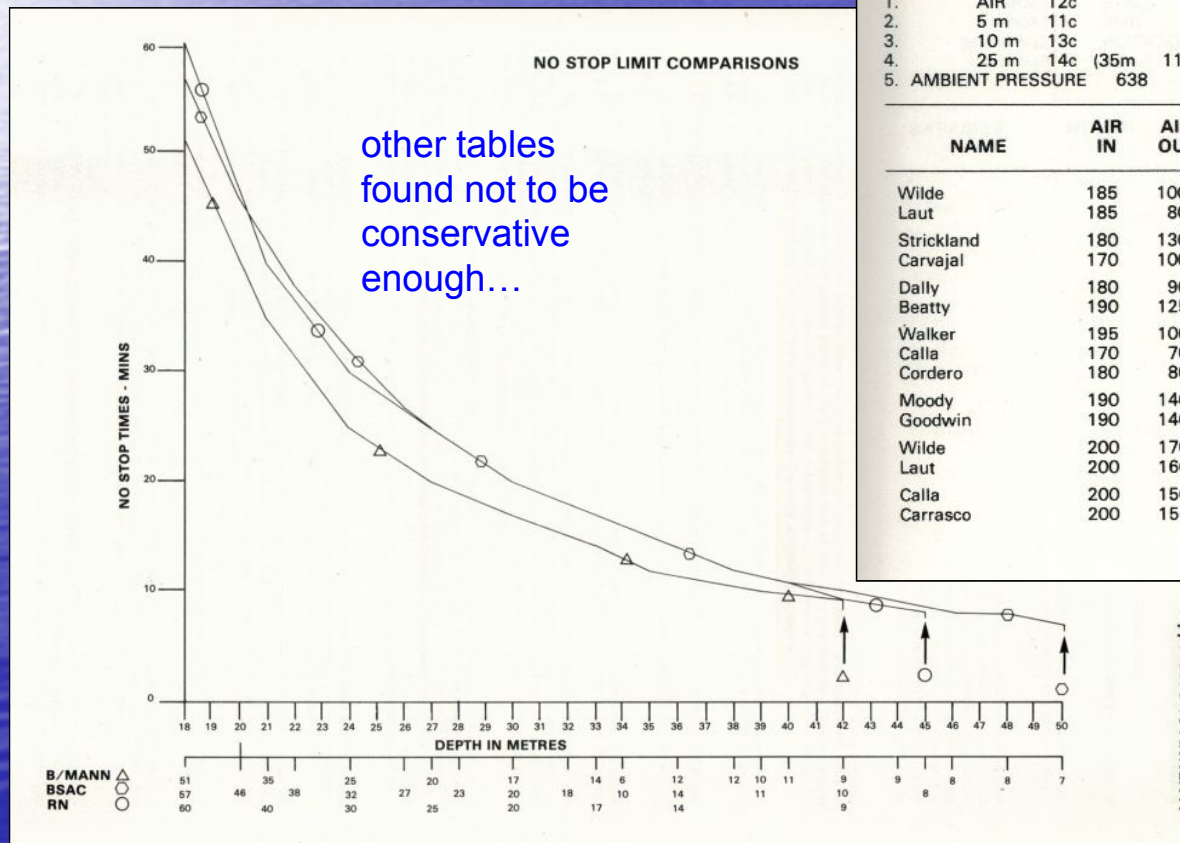


Report: 78 pages,
3 weeks, 17 divers, 290 dives,
5-39m, BT=11-52min



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SHEET No. 20

SCIENTIFIC STUDIES & EXPLORATION GROUP 1987

REFERENCE

EXERCISE PADDINGTON DIAMOND

TEMPERATURE

1. AIR 12c
2. 5 m 11c
3. 10 m 13c
4. 25 m 14c (35m 11c)
5. AMBIENT PRESSURE 638

DATE. 250587
TIME. 0900
LOCATION. Camp Bay
SADS. Strickland

NAME	AIR IN	AIR OUT	TIME IN	TIME OUT	TOTAL TIME	DEPTH	REMARKS
Wilde	185	100	0912	0926	14	35.3	Deco 9.38
Laut	185	80					Sur 82mins
Strickland	180	130	0928	0943	15	35.7	Deco 8.18
Carvajal	170	100					Sur 63mins
Dally	180	90	0952	1004	12	36.7	Deco 8.10
Beatty	190	125					Sur 63mins
Walker	195	100	1009	1021	12	36	Deco 8.47
Calla	170	70					Sur 77mins
Cordero	180	80					
Moody	190	140	1013	1037	24	4.3	Filming
Goodwin	190	140					
Wilde	200	170	1200	1210	10	4	Frog hunting
Laut	200	160					
Calla	200	150	1200	1210	10	4	Frog hunting
Carrasco	200	155					

could that be a
secret tactic of
the British army?

→ results further down

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Lago di Lucendro Trials (1984-88)

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Lago di Lucendro Trials (1)

Lago di Lucendro; Gotthard, 2134m a.s.l.; 23.8.1986 (1)



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Lago di Lucendro Trials (2)



Gruppe Groupe	Name Nom	Vorname Prénom	Jahrgang Année	Tauch- tiefe Pro- fondeur	Abstieg descent	G'zeit Temps de séjour	Zeit- zuschlag Adjonction de temps	Dekompression Décompression (durchgeführt) 6 m 4 m 2 m	Bü Tab 83 (intermediate)			Bü Tab 76 (old)			
									6 m	4 m	2 m	10 m	7 m	4 m	2 m
1	Stettler	Roger	1946	30 m	4'	16'	-	4' 5' 9'			4'		3'	7'	10'
	Looser	Heinz	1950	29 m	4'	16'	-	4' 5' 9'			4'		3'	7'	10'
	Ziegler	Jürg	1950	29 m	4'	16'	-	4' 5' 9'			4'		3'	7'	10'
2	Ronzani	Aldo	1965	33 m	2'	18'	-	1'	2'	5'		2'	6'	7'	15'
	Pollini	Mauro	1954	33 m	2'	18'	-	1'	2'	5'		2'	6'	7'	15'
	Karlen	Silvio	1954	33 m	2'	18'	-	-	2'	5'		2'	6'	7'	15'
3	Looser	Vinka	1952	36 m	3'	16'	-	2'	4'	6'		4'	7'	8'	17'
	Bühler	Armin	1956	36 m	3'	16'	-	2'	4'	6'		4'	7'	8'	17'
	Keller	Peter	1944	36 m	3'	16'	-	4'	4'	6'		4'	7'	8'	17'
4	Hüsler	Gerda	1953	37 m	3'	15'	-	4'	2'	4'		3'	5'	6'	13'
	Götte	Georg	1950	36 m	2'	15'	-	4'		4'		3'	5'	6'	13'
	Baer	Marcel	1943	35 m	3'	15'	-	5'		4'			4'	5'	13'
5	Weber	Christoph	1968	32 m	2'	15'	-	1'		3'			4'	5'	13'
	Wohlgemuth	Hans-Jörg	1952	32 m	3'	15'	-	1'		3'			4'	5'	13'
Intervalltauchgang: Oberflächenpause 60 min. / Plongée successive: intervalle de surface 60 min.															
6	Weber	Christoph		32 m	2'	15'	9'/9'	1'	1'	4'	9'	3'	8'	9'	24'
	Wohlgemuth	Hans-Jörg		32 m	1'	15'	9'	1'	1'	4'	9'	3'	8'	9'	24'

* Grundzeit inkl. Abstiegszeit, d. h. die Gruppe 1 tauchte in 4 min auf 29-30 m ab und blieb dort 12 min. Die Gruppen 2 bis 5 orientieren sich am Decobrain oder an der provisorischen neuen Tabelle 701-2500 m ü. M.

2 days, 14 divers, 16 dives, 29-37m, BT=15-18min
(from 1984-88: 50-60 divers, 55-60 dives)

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Lago di Lucendo Trials (3a)



...a bit of adventure....

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Lago di Lucendo Trials (3b)



The very best always comes at the end!

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Lago di Lucendro Trials (4)



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Lieber Herr Müller.

Der 23.8.86 auf dem St.Gotthard war eine Höhepunkt. Sehr gute Organisation, 16 Tauchgänge im Lago di Lucendro, 13 Tauchgänge davon 2 als Wiederholungstauchgänge zum Auswerten.

Beiliegend im Doppel das Protokoll. Auch wenn wir den Angaben hinsichtlich Tiefe und Minuten immer etwas skeptisch gegenüberstehen, so ist doch eines ganz klar: Für diese Tauchgänge im Bereich 30 - 36 m geben der Decobrain bzw. die neuen Tabellen für kurze Tauchzeiten vernünftige Dekompressionen. Ich habe bei dieser Gelegenheit erfahren, dass die Gruppe 2 regelmässig mit dem Decobrain in Bergseen taucht. Herr Karlen wird jetzt protokollieren.

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Muttsee Trials (1988)

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Muttsee Trials (1)

First reconnoiter dives (August); 2500m a.s.l.; 1988



...still the
highest dives
ever made in
the Alpes!

(left to right: E. Völlm, B. Müller, E. Lochbronner at preliminary dives
Muttsee, 1988)

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Muttsee Trials (2)

KURZBERICHT ZUM
REKOGNOSZIERUNGS - TG
IM MUTTSEE (2500m) VOM 27.8.88



VERTEILER: - Prof.Dr.A.A.Buehlmann
- alle Teilnehmer
- G.Goette (Mitorganisator)

4. Verwendete Tabellen u. Computer

- mehrere Saetze von speziellen Tauchtabellen, mit folgenden Merkmalen:

- * Beruecksichtigung der Anflugsrampe
 - * Beruecksichtigung verschieden langer Adaptionszeiten
 - * Beruecksichtigung des Oberfl.-Luftdrucks gem. ISO
 - * Einbezug einer Abstiegsrampe von 10m/min. beim TG
 - * Einbezug einer Aufstiegsrampe von 10m/min. beim TG
 - * hydrostat. Wasserdruck von Suesswasser
 - * KEIN Tiefenzuschlag
 - * Koeffizientensaetze ZHL-12 und ZHL-16; die jeweils "kuerzeren" Tabellen wurden effektiv eingesetzt
- Tauchcomputer Deko-Brain, Prog. P2-2
- Tauchcomputer ALADIN PRO, ZHL-6 (Versuchsmodelle)
- Tauchtabellen '86, 701-2500m (zur Kontr.)

6. Uebersicht der Tauchgaenge

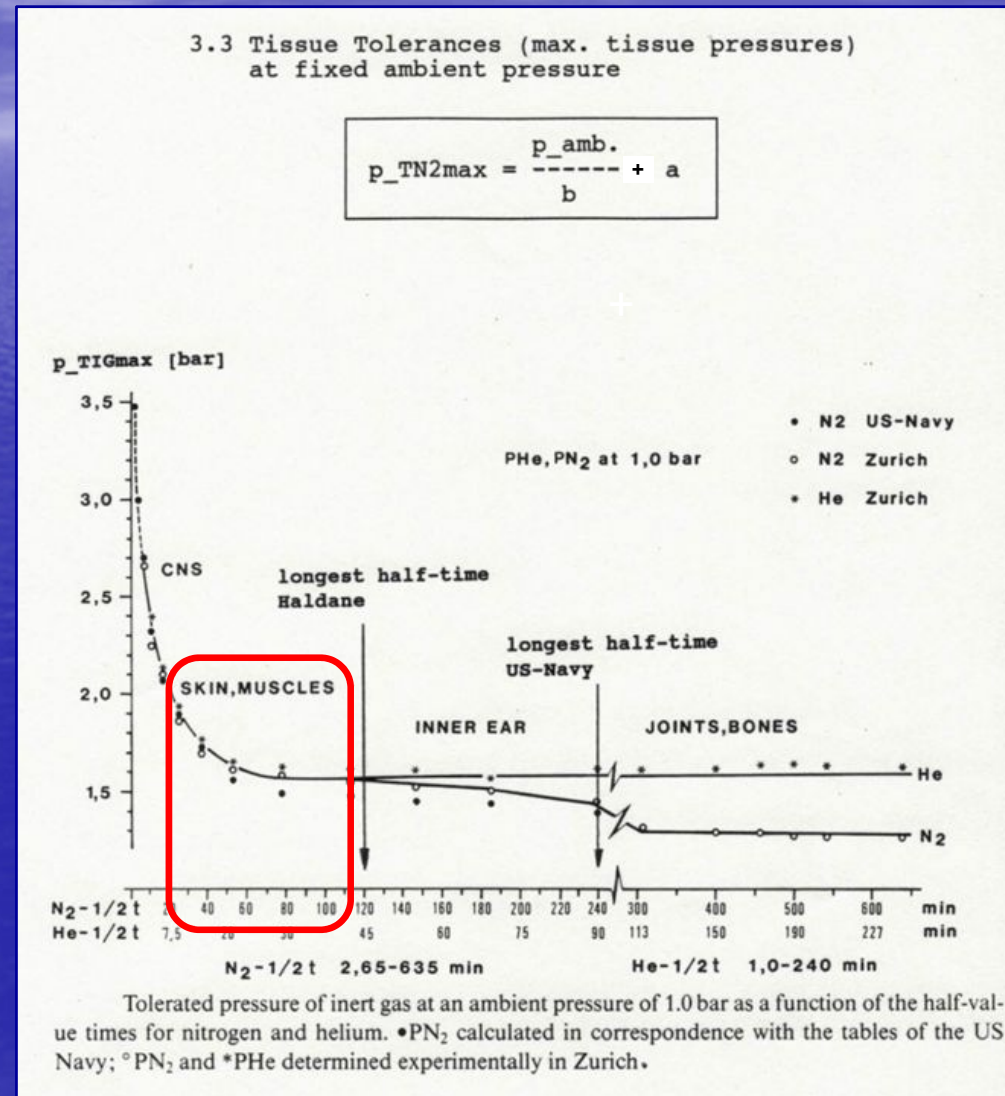
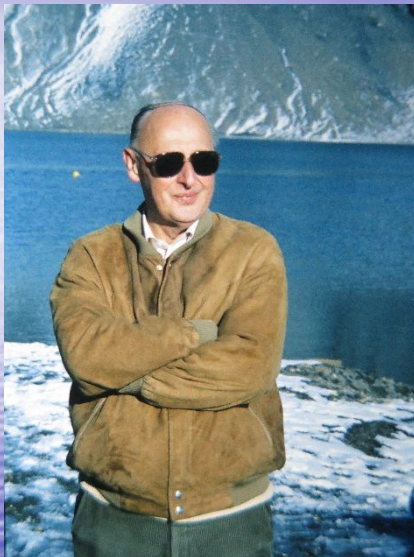
Adapt.	Rep.TG?	Int'v.	Pers.	Profil	eff.Deko
0:45'	Nein	--	2	39m / 15'	4m/2.5' + 2m/5.5'
1:06'	Nein	--	1	39m / 21'	4m/2' + 2m/4'
4:50'	Ja	3:35'	2	33m / 18'	4m/2' + 2m/4'
4:50'	Ja	3:12'	1	33m / 18'	----- 2m/2'

Die exakten Profildaten, sowie weiteren wichtigen Randbedingungen, wie Luft- und Wassertemperaturen, verwendete Anzuege, Anfahrtsrampen, Luftdrucke etc., sind den TG-Protokollen zu entnehmen.

Wie erwartet, traten bei keinem der Taucher irgendwelche Symptome einer inadequaten Dekompression auf.

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Muttsee Trials (3)



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Muttsee Trials (4)

Administrative / Logistics documentation

MUTTSEE-TAUCHEN VOM 21-23.10.88

(Zuordnung d. Profilkombinationen)

TG1 (Erst-Tauchgänge)				Inter- vall	TG2 (Rep.-Tauchgänge)			
#	Anz.	Profil (Tiefe/Zeit)	Namen d. Taucher		#	Anz.	EFFEK- GZ	Profil (Tiefe/Zeit)
1a	1	33/21	{Zanker }	254	19	1	5	13
1b	2	33/21	{Wirth/Götte }	239	20	2	5	13
2	2	39/18	Unold/Brügger	246	17	2	5	10
3	2	42/18	Müller/Müller ♀	246	21	2	5	10
4	1	45/12	Denoth	—	—	—	—	—
5	2	45/15	Schiffeler/Dürst	246	15	2	6	12
6	2	45/15	Unold/Brügger	213	16	2	6	12
7	2	45/18	Holliger/Flury	277	18	2	5	13
8	2	45/18	Wirth/Götte	—	—	—	—	—
9	2	51/15	Müller/Müller ♀	202	22	2	4	8
10	2	57/12	Rauber/Caprez	210	24	2	4	11
11	2	60/15	Rauber/Caprez	180	23	2	4	8
12*	2	39/25*	Denoth/Zanker	103	25*	1	[1]	25
13*	2	39/25*	Schiffeler/Dürst	117	26*	2	[1]	25
14*	2	39/25*	Holliger/Flury	93	27*	2	[1]	25
Total: 28					Total: 24			

* mit ZHL-16A berechnet
(Rest: ZHL-12 / T86 Spez.)

25-27: Deko war direkt
verberechnet
(entspricht ~ 33m/27'
" ~ 33m/26'
gem. Tab. 86

Bergseetauchen "Muttsee"
vom 21.10.88 bis 23.10.88

Notfalldispositiv Blatt
1

- Was tun?
 - Sofortige Bergung aus dem Wasser
 - LESOMA unter Verwendung der Notfall-Koffern, O₂
 - bei Verdacht auf arterielle Gasembolie:
telefonische Verständigung REGA von der
Muttseehütte aus (2 Meldeläufer) und falls
Funkgerät vorhanden: Hüttenwart zusätzlich
enfunkten (HECTOR UND)
 - Lagerung des Verunfallten, Witterungsschutz
 - Landestelle Helikopter (ø 30m) räumen von
ALLEM Material

2) Standort Notfallkoffer:

- während Tauchen: bei Kompressoren am See
- sonst : Muttseehütte, Aufenthaltsraum
- während Heli-Flug: No 1 im Helikopter
(2.Tag) • 2 am See

Telefonnummern:

- REGA 01/ 47 47 47
- Heli-Linth/ Mollis 058/ 34 30 85
- Druckkammer- labor/ZH 01/255 20 36
- Kraftwerke Linth-Limmern/ Tierfeld 058/ 84 31 67
(Hr.O. Bächtiger, H. Müller, H. Zweifel)

Standort Funkgeräte

- während Tauchen: in der Hütte: HECTOR UND
am See : HECTOR DUE
- sonst : Muttseehütte, Aufenthaltsraum
- während Heliflug: 1 bei übrigen Teilnehmern: HECTOR UND
(2.Tag) 1 im Heli : HECTOR DUE

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Muttsee Trials (5)

Dive Logs



Dive Record Form sheet 1/2

location : Muttsee tables: Bühlmann 0 - 700 m ☐ 701 - 2500 m ☐ 2501 - 4500 m ☐ other : 24.10.88

altitude 2 : 2500 (m/ft above sea level)
amb.pressure : 750 (mbar)

A) Buddy team (#)

diver	last	first	age (years)	height (m/ft)	weight (kg)
1	Wirth	Barbara	25	1.68	66
2/3	Göke / Zankel	Göke / Norbert	38 / 31	1.78 / 1.84	86 / 84

*unruhig: 3er Gruppe
Ausschlag: 2er Gruppe*

B) Predive status

altitude 1 (m/ft)	departure at 1	altitude 2 (m/ft)	arrival at 2	duration (minutes)
800	15:00	2500	16:00	60'
4	11	4	11	11

To be filled out only, when NOT fully adapted at altitude 2

C) Dive #1 date: 22.10.88 amb.pressure: 750 (mbar) amb.temp(air): 6.8 (°C) water temp: 6.1 (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep.dive (y/n)*	for rep. dive only RG at end of surface prev.dive interv. (min.)	RG this dive (min.)	RNI** (min.)	eff. bottom time (min.)	incl. descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table schedule (depth/time)	ascent to 1st stop	effect. decompression	RG at end of dive	time resurfaced	suit (w/d)***
1	10:30	y	n	-	-	-	21	3	34	33/21	4'	3	D(3.4)	11:01	d
2	11	11	11	-	-	-	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	d/d

*y=yes, n=no **Residual nitrogen time ***wet/d-dry

D) Dive #20 date: 22.10.88 amb.pressure: 750 (mbar) amb.temp(air): 8.10 (°C) water temp: 6 (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep.dive (y/n)*	for rep. dive only RG at end of surface prev.dive interv. (min.)	RG this dive (min.)	RNI** (min.)	eff. bottom time (min.)	incl. descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table schedule (depth/time)	ascent to 1st stop	effect. decompression	RG at end of dive	time resurfaced	suit (w/d)***			
1	15:00	y	y	D	239	A	5	13	3	45	45/18	4'	2	4	4	F(5.6)	15:31	d
2/3	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11

2. am Nachschlag furcht N. Zankel mit Jörg Bernoth!

(C): Assise NE.

Dive Record Form sheet 2/2

location : Muttsee tables: Bühlmann 0 - 700 m ☐ 701 - 2500 m ☐ 2501 - 4500 m ☐ other : 24.10.88

altitude 2 : 2500 (m/ft above sea level)
amb.pressure : 750 (mbar)

A) Buddy team (#)

diver	last	first	age (years)	height (m/ft)	weight (kg)
1	Brügger	Markus	34	1.73	80
2	Unold	Edith	37	1.53	59

B) Predive status

altitude 1 (m/ft)	departure at 1	altitude 2 (m/ft)	arrival at 2	duration (minutes)
800	15:00	2500	16:00	~60'
4	11	4	11	11

To be filled out only, when NOT fully adapted at altitude 2

C) Dive #6 date: 23.10.88 amb.pressure: 750 (mbar) amb.temp(air): 8.10 (°C) water temp: 6.1 (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep.dive (y/n)*	for rep. dive only RG at end of surface prev.dive interv. (min.)	RG this dive (min.)	RNI** (min.)	eff. bottom time (min.)	incl. descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table schedule (depth/time)	ascent to 1st stop	effect. decompression	RG at end of dive	time resurfaced	suit (w/d)***		
1	9:26	y	n	-	-	-	15	3	46	45/15	4'	-	2	3	E(3.4)	9:51	d
2	11	11	11	-	-	-	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11

*y=yes, n=no **Residual nitrogen time ***wet/d-dry

D) Dive #16 date: 23.10.88 amb.pressure: 750 (mbar) amb.temp(air): 8.10 (°C) water temp: 6.1 (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep.dive (y/n)*	for rep. dive only RG at end of surface prev.dive interv. (min.)	RG this dive (min.)	RNI** (min.)	eff. bottom time (min.)	incl. descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table schedule (depth/time)	ascent to 1st stop	effect. decompression	RG at end of dive	time resurfaced	suit (w/d)***			
1	13:24	y	y	E	213	A	6	12	3	39	39/18	4'	-	2	3	D(5.6)	13:46	d
2	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	

2 days
15 divers
52 (56 dives)
28 first dives
24 repet. dives
depths= 24-58m
BT=12-25min
4 symptoms

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Muttsee Trials (6a)

Summary, filled
out after dive

DECO - BRAIN Tauchgangsauswertung #

I Angaben vor dem Tauchgang

Name / Adresse : Müller Beat

Ort / Datum : Muttsee / 13.8.88

Uhrzeit : 15:11 (A.T.G.)

DECO-BRAIN Serien-Nummer : SN

Programmversion : P1 ☐ P2-1 ☐ Spez. ☐
P2-2 ☒ P2-3 ☐

Tiefenangaben : metrisch ☒ feet ☐

Tauchgangdurchführung : Simulator ☐ Freiwasser ☒ track

Höhe über Meer : 2500 m/n

Angezeigter Umgebungsdruck : ~760 mbar

Repetitiv-Tauchgang : Ja ☐ nein ☒ Adaption H₂
Intervallzeit : Min.

Entsättigungszeit : 24 h 50 Min. McLung

Wartezeit bis Flug : h Min.

Rollende Nullzeit

Tiefe ft	30	40	50	60	70	80
m	9	12	15	18	21	24
Zeit (Min.)	99	99	64	46	34	24

II Angaben während des Tauchgangs #1

b) Display-Werte

Zeit (Min.)	Tiefe (m/N)	RNZ (Min.)	Dekostufen			ATZ (Min.)	Bem.
			bu	un	zu		
0	0	99					
1	15	70					
4	31.5	12					
5	38.5	8					
6	"	6					
8	38	5					
9	"	4					
11	37	2					
12	"	2					
12.5	34.5	1					
13	"	0					
14	37	-					1
15	37.5						1
15.5	"						2
16	"						1
18	"						1
18.5	"						2
20	"						3
21	33						1
23	15						1
24	9						2
25	5						2
25.5	4						1
26	3						1
27	5						5

DECO-BRAIN-Anzeige am Ende des Tauchganges: Tauchzeit : 32 Min.
Max. Tiefe : 38 m/n

II Angaben während des Tauchgangs #1

b) Display-Werte

Zeit (Min.)	Tiefe (m/N)	RNZ (Min.)	Dekostufen			ATZ (Min.)	Bem.
			bu	un	zu		
28	2					4	
28.5	3					3	
29	2.5					3	
30	3.5					2	Einang tie bis an
31	2.5					1	
32	"					0	
32.5	0	99					aufgez

DECO-BRAIN-Anzeige am Ende des Tauchganges: Tauchzeit : 32 Min.
Max. Tiefe : 38 m/n

III Weitere Auswertung nach dem Tauchgang

1. nach 10 Min. Intervallzeit 10 Besonderheiten

Zeit bis Flug : 0 h 02 Min.
Entsättigungszeit : 28 h 08 Min.

Rollende Nullzeitabelle

Tiefe ft	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
m	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Zeit (Min.)	99	47	26	17	13	10	9	-

2. nach 35 Min. Intervallzeit 12.5 Besonderheiten

Zeit bis Flug : 0 h 00 Min.
Entsättigungszeit : 28 h 47 Min.

Rollende Nullzeitabelle

Tiefe ft	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
m	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Zeit (Min.)	99	72	42	30	23	19	16	-

3. nach 85 Min. Intervallzeit 13.5 Besonderheiten

Zeit bis Flug : 0 h 00 Min.
Entsättigungszeit : 26 h 42 Min.

Rollende Nullzeitabelle

Tiefe ft	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
m	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Zeit (Min.)	99	95	59	42	33	24	19	-

4. nach Min. Intervallzeit Besonderheiten

Zeit bis Flug : h Min.
Entsättigungszeit : h Min.

Rollende Nullzeitabelle

Tiefe ft	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100
m	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
Zeit (Min.)								

Protocol data, recorded every 1-2minutes and written on a wrist-slate

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Muttsee Trials (6b)

Summary, filed
out after dive



sheet 1/2

Dive Record Form

location : Muttsee
 altitude 2 : 2500 (m/ft above sea level)
 amb. pressure : 150 (mbar)

tables: Bühlmann 0 - 700 m ☐
 " 701 - 2500 m ☐
 " 2501 - 4500 m ☐
 other :

Important notes
 1. full adaption: $\geq$ 24 hrs at dive site
 2. non-rep. dive: surface interval $\geq$ 12 hrs.

A) Buddy team (#)

diver	name		age (years)	height (m/ft)	weight (kg)
	last	first			
1	<u>Müller</u>	<u>Beat</u>			
2	<u>"</u>	<u>Tomy</u>			

B) Predive status

altitude 1 (m/ft)	departure at 1	altitude 2 (m/ft)	arrival at 2	duration (minutes)

To be filled out only, when NOT fully adapted
at altitude 2

C) Dive # 1 date: 23.10.88 amb. pressure: 150 (mbar) amb. temp (air): (°C) water temp: (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep. dive (y/n)*	for rep. dives only		RNT** (min.)	eff. bottom time	descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table sche- dule (depth/time)	effect. decompression			RG at end of dive	time resur- faced	suit (w/d)***	
				RG at end prev. dive	RG interv. (min.)						6	4	2				
1	<u>9:56</u>	<u>y</u>	<u>n</u>	-	-	-	<u>12+3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>57/15</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>10:25</u>	<u>d</u>
2	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	-	-	-	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>

*y = yes, n = no **residual nitrogen time ***w = wet, d = dry

D) Dive # 2 date: 23.10.88 amb. pressure: (mbar) amb. temp (air): (°C) water temp: (°C)

diver	start time	adaption (y/n)*	rep. dive (y/n)*	for rep. dives only		RNT** (min.)	eff. bottom time	descent time (min.)	max. depth (m/ft)	table sche- dule (depth/time)	effect. decompression			RG at end of dive	time resur- faced	suit (w/d)***	
				RG at end prev. dive	RG interv. (min.)						6	4	2				
1	<u>13:47</u>	<u>y</u>	<u>y</u>			<u>5</u>	<u>10+5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>17/15</u>		<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>14:09</u>	<u>d</u>
2	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>			<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>		<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>

Protocol data transferred from wrist slate notices, filled
out during the dive; Deco Brain readings (here: P2-2).

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Muttsee Trials (7)



G. Götte



2 days, 15 divers,
56 dives, 24-58m

Analysis of Open Water Dives at Altitude 1988

C) experimental dive weekend of october / ZHL-16 schedules
(23.10.88 only)

NOTE: 1) ascent from 800m to 2500m was done by helicopter in
10 minutes two days before (21.10.88)

date	dive	-altitude	-adapt.time	gas			
		-max.depth	-bottom time	"	n-dives	n-DCS	symptoms
		-deco-stop	-stop time	"			
		-(interv.)	-interv.time	"			
23.10.	#12	2500	39 hrs	air			
		39	25*	"			
		6	3	"			
		4	5	"			
		2	7	"	2	0	---
		0	103	"			
	#25	33	25*	"			
		4	3	"	1	1	muscles, skin
		2	5	"			
23.10.	#13	2500	39 hrs	air			
		39	25*	"			
		6	3	"			
		4	5	"			
		2	7	"	2	0	---
		0	117	"			
	#26	33	25*	"			
		4	3	"	2	2	muscles, skin
		2	5	"			
23.10.	#14	2500	39 hrs	air			
		39	25*	"			
		6	3	"			
		4	5	"			
		2	7	"	2	0	---
		0	99	"			
	#27	33	25*	"			
		4	3	"	2	1	muscles, skin
		2	5	"			
				* calculated with ZHL-16A	total	11	4

RG:
F (38.3'),
G (54.3')

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Dives at Mount Kenia (1988)

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Dives at Mount Kenia 1988



- „private expedition of 2 Swiss individuals (M. Weber, W. Keusen)
- at that time M. Weber was living in Kenia at approx. 1800m
- W. Keusen came directly from Switzerland
- both used special designed Aladins
- breathing gas was air only
- all dives with dry suits
- on ascent an intermediate stop was done at approx. 3500m
- overall duration 8-10 days
- in total 18 dives between approx. 4400m and 4780m
- depths in the range of 10m-15m, bottom times 20-30min
- No DCS symptoms of any kind but exhaustion due to lack of enough oxygen

(data obtained from private communication with Mr. Weber)

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Results and Consequences

→ For more details ref. to Appendices

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Results and Consequences (1)

(all data from the period of 1981-1991)

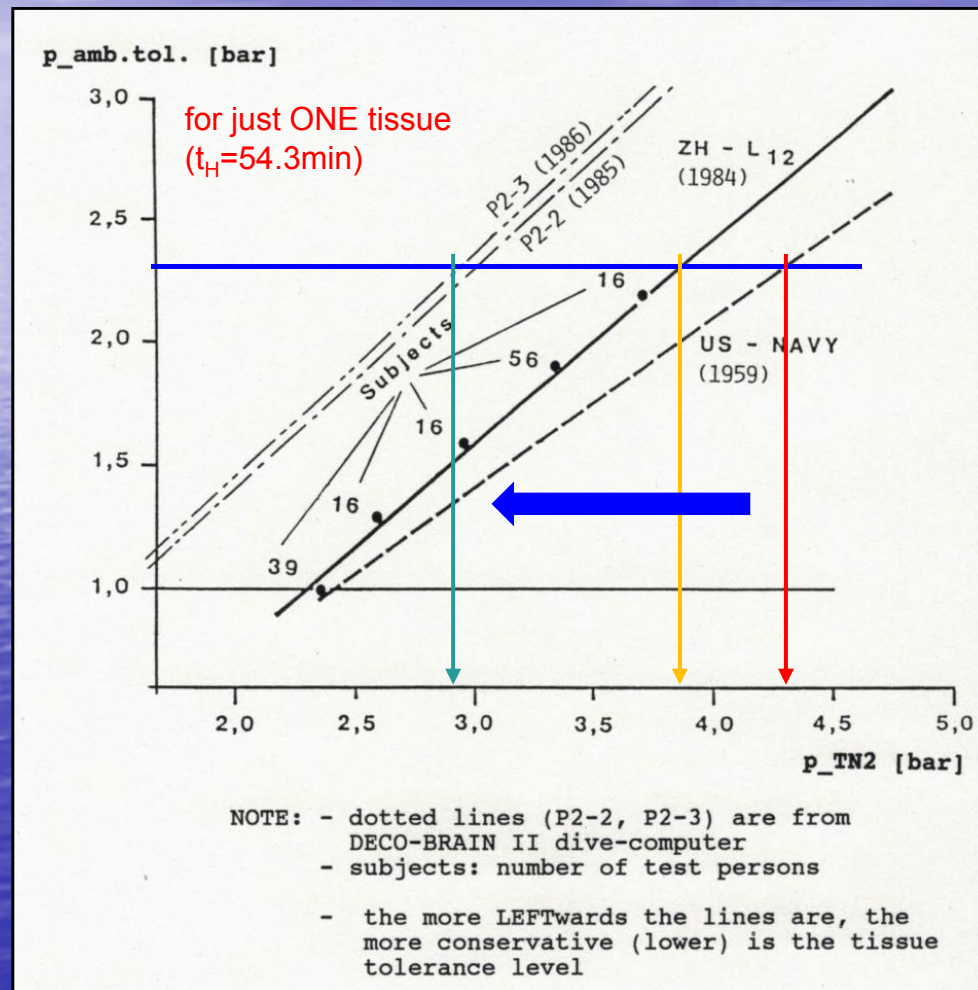
The testing and operational „envelope“:

- Extremely broad range of diving candidates
- Altitudes from 0 to 4780m asl (chamber: 4200m asl)
- Single and repetitive dives (up to 3 consecutives); surface intervals from 10-120min
- Tests done with drastically reduced stop times
- Chamber and real dives
- Depths down to 500m and even 575m (chamber)
- Bounce dives and saturation dives (30m – 220m)
- Recreational dives and hyperbaric work, from minutes to hours
- Tables and computer with several 100'000 real dives
- Air, nitrox, heliox, other mixed-gases, O₂ decompression
- Extremely reliable for multi-gas diving and adaption
- **In short: one of the best tested and proofed systems ever!**

→ For more details ref. to Appendices

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Results and Consequences (2)



Careful analysis of hundred of dive profiles executed with dive computers led to a refinement of the underlying set of coefficients towards higher tolerated ambient pressures (reduced gradients) for a given tissue inert gas pressure.

It also shows the dramatic change compared to US-Navy and the original ZHL-12 limits.

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Results and Consequences (3)

Comparison of NDL (1)

Values attained by using ZHL-12 and ZHL-16B

		NDL times in [min]				
Altitude range [m a.s.l.]		0-0	0-700	701-2500	2501-4500	4400-4800
Altitude of adaption [m a.s.l.]		0	0	701	4500	4400
Altitude of calculated dive [m a.s.l.]		0	700	2500	4500	4800
Ramp to upper range limit [hr]		no	no	1	no	6
Surface Interval at dive site before dive [hr]		>24	0	0	>24	3
Depth [m]	6					
	9	475	349	238	204	167
	12	139	125	99	88	86
	15	81	75	62	50	56
	18	55	51	44	32	39
	21	40	35	30	22	27
	24	28	25	22	16	20
	27	22	20	18	14	16
	30	18	17	15	11	14
	33	15	14	12	9	12
	36	13	12	10	8	10
	39	11	10	9	7	9
	42	10	9	8	7	8
	45	9	8	7	6	7
	48	8	7	6	6	6
	51	7	6	6	5	5
	54	6	6	5	5	5
	57	5	5	4	4	4
	60	5	4	4	4	3

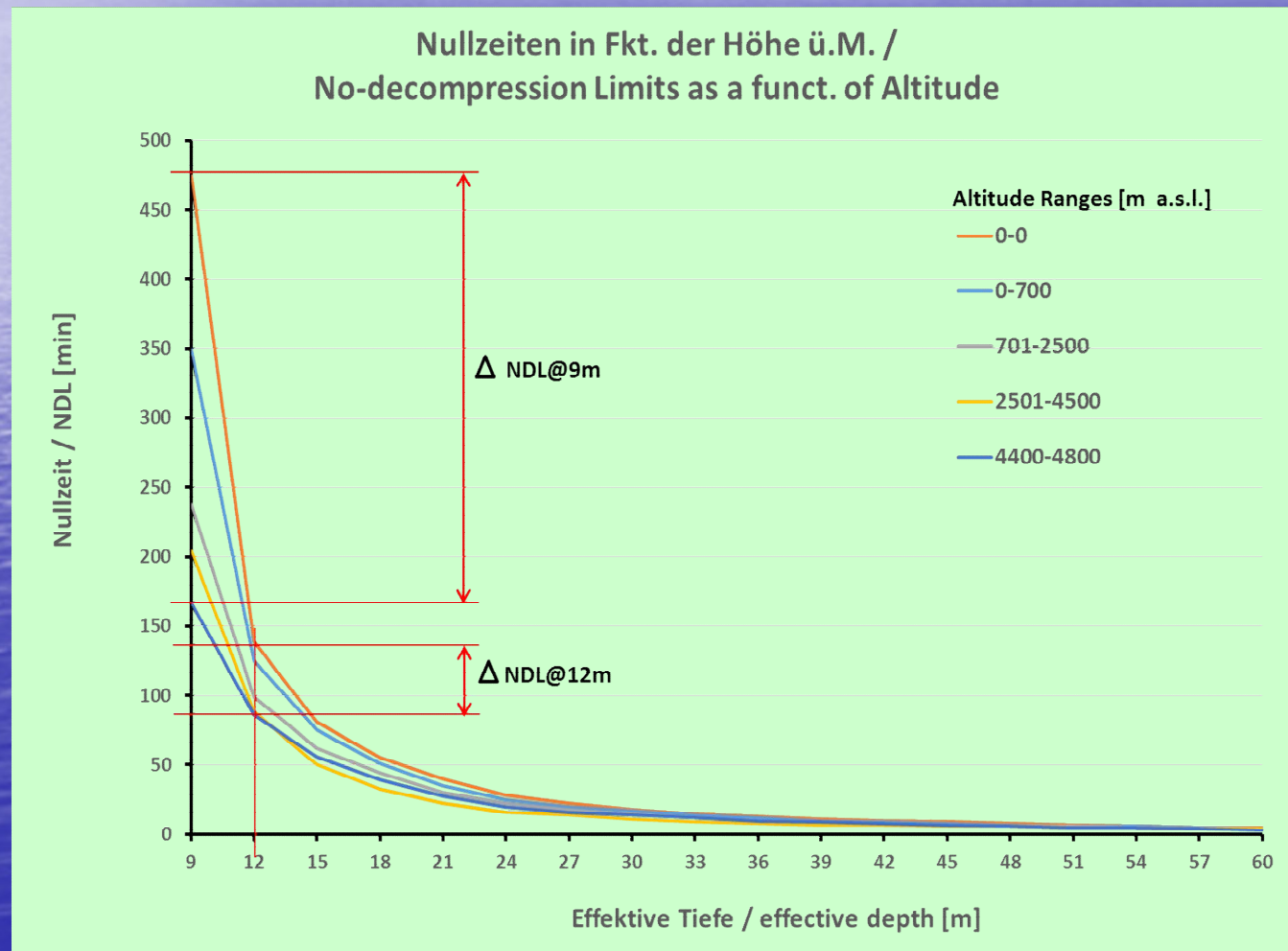
bold values: as published on tables

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Results and Consequences (4)

Comparison of NDL (2)



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Results and Consequences (5)

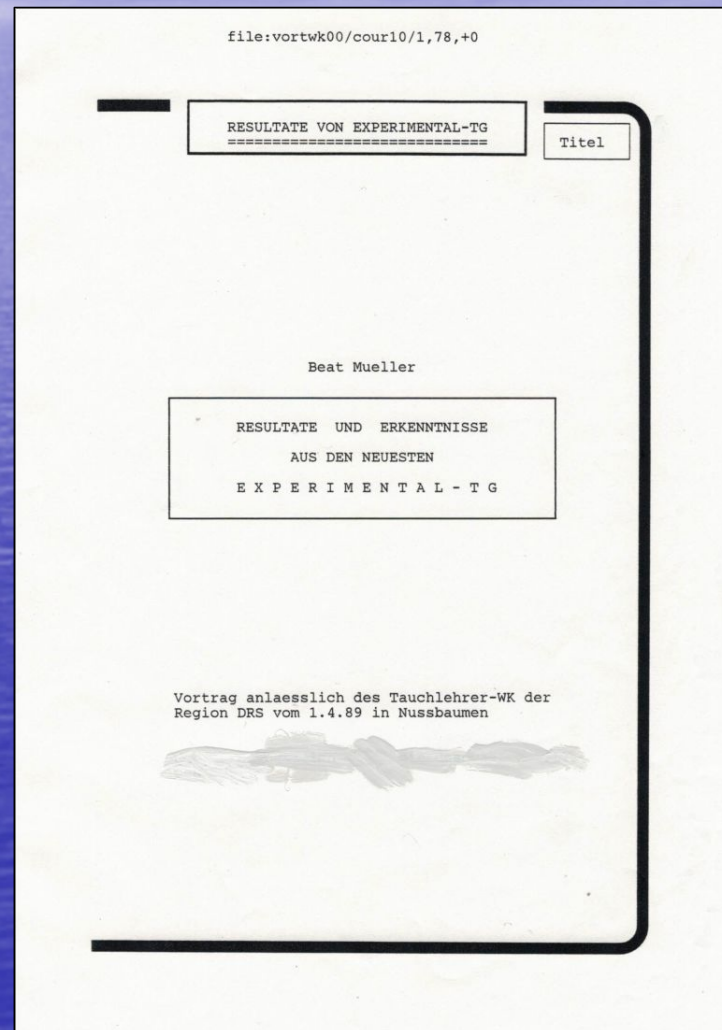
The final System ZHL-16 (as published)

compartment #	half- time [min]	ZH-L16A		ZH-L16B	ZH-L16C
		(theoretical) b [-]	a [bar]	table a [bar]	computer a [bar]
1	4,0	0,5050	1,2599	1,2599	1,2599
2	8,0	0,6514	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000
3	12,5	0,7222	0,8618	0,8618	0,8618
4	18,5	0,7825	0,7562	0,7562	0,7562
5	27,0	0,8126	0,6667	0,6667	0,6200
6	38,3	0,8434	0,5933	0,5600	0,5043
7	54,3	0,8693	0,5282	0,4947	0,4410
8	77,0	0,8910	0,4701	0,4500	0,4000
9	109,0	0,9092	0,4187	0,4187	0,3750
10	146,0	0,9222	0,3798	0,3798	0,3500
11	187,0	0,9319	0,3497	0,3497	0,3295
12	239,0	0,9403	0,3223	0,3223	0,3065
13	305,0	0,9477	0,2971	0,2850	0,2835
14	390,0	0,9544	0,2737	0,2737	0,2610
15	498,0	0,9602	0,2523	0,2523	0,2480
16	635,0	0,9653	0,2327	0,2327	0,2327

- A verified set of 16 tissue group halftimes and their coefficients a, b for air with adaption to table- and computer use.
- A similar set exists for Helium.
- With more than 1 inert gas breathed, resulting factors a, b are calculated on the basis of their momentary tissue pressures.

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Results and Consequences (6)



Termination of project:
Report at the Annual
Instructor Meeting 1989
(summary of all high altitudes
test dives from 1984 to 1988)

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Practical Applications and Special Environments

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Space (1)

Excursion: Decompression in Space (Bühlmann's involvement with NASA)

Ambient pressure in space craft: 5 -> 10.2 -> 14.7 psi

O₂-content: 100% O₂ -> 26.5% -> 21% (today)

Ambient pressure in EVA suit: 3.75-5.8 psi

O₂-content: 100% O₂

$p_{N_2-SC} / p_{tot-EVA} (max) = 14.7 * 0.79 / 4 = 2.9$ (too high!)

take longest half-time -> max. pN₂-ratio = 1.27

EVA O₂ pre-breathe time: approx. 30min



EVA: extra-vehicular activity



→ ref. to
Agencies

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Space (2)

Historical Data on Cabin Atmospheres

Program	Cabin Pressure, kPa (psia)	Cabin Oxygen Concentration, volume %	EVA Suit Pressure, ⁽¹⁾ kPa (psia)	EVA O ₂ Pre-breathe Time, minutes	EVA Prebreathe Conditions
Mercury	34.5 (5)	100	-	-	-
Gemini/Apollo	34.5 (5)	100	25.8 (3.75)	0	-
Skylab	34.5 (5)	70	25.8 (3.75)	0	-
Shuttle	70.3 (10.2)	26.5	29.6 (4.3)	40	In-suit (after 36 hours at 70.3 kPa)
	101.3 (14.7)	21	29.6 (4.3)	240 ⁽³⁾	In-suit
ISS/US	101.3 (14.7)	21	29.6 (4.3)	120-140	Mask and in-suit; staged w/exercise
				240 ⁽³⁾	In-suit
Salyut, Mir, ISS/Russian	101.3 (14.7)	21	40.0 (5.8) ⁽²⁾	30	In-suit

References: Carson, et al. (1975), McBarron, et al. (1993), Walligora, et al. (1993), NASA (2002), NASA (2003).

(1) 100% oxygen.

(2) In earlier versions of the Orian suit, the pressure could be reduced to 26.5 kPa (3.8 psia) for short-duration work regime.

(3) Under emergency conditions, a minimum of 150 minutes of unbroken prebreathe is recommended.

from Scheuring et. al., "Risk Assessment of Physiological Effects of Atmospheric Composition and Pressure in Constellation Vehicles" 16th Annual Humans in Space, Beijing, China, May 2007



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Fundamentals of Decompression

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Space (3)



Ich bin seit 5.30 Uhr „auf den Beinen“. Ich lege eine Windel an und darüber flüssigkeitsgekühlte Unterwäsche. Nach dem Frühstück mache ich mich auf den Weg zur Luftschleuse. Kjell und ich atmen eine Stunde lang reinen Sauerstoff, um den Stickstoffgehalt im Blut zu senken und uns so vor der Dekompressionskrankheit zu schützen.

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Cave Diving (1)

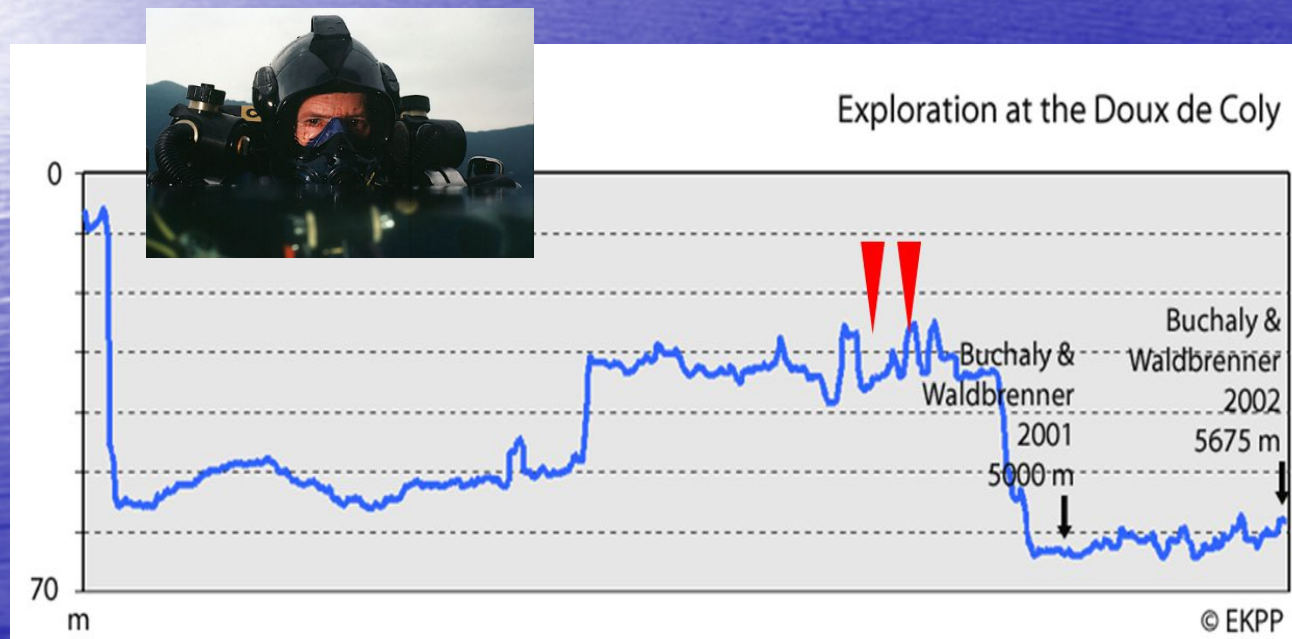
*Calculation of special tables for Olivier Isler's Doux de Coly Expedition and his push dives with **OC systems** (1989)*



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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Cave Diving (2)

Calculation of special tables for Olivier Isler's Doux de Coly Expedition and his push dives in 1989 with OC systems.

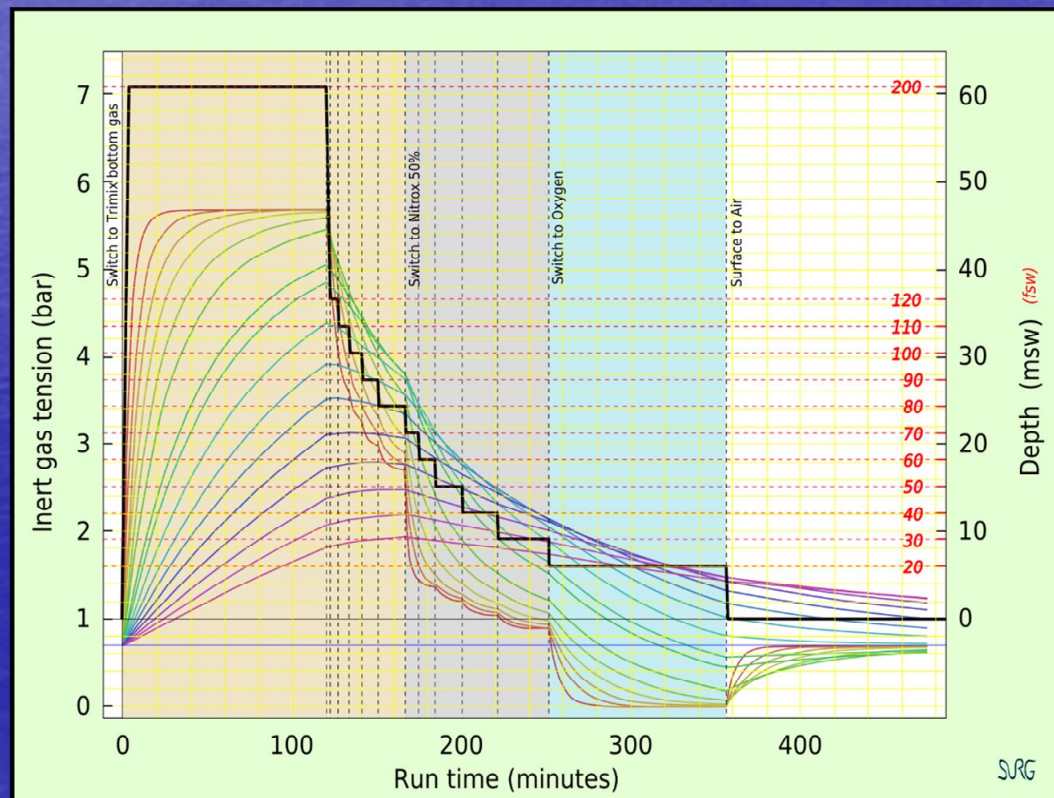


Two years later, in 1991, Isler reached 4'055 meters (13'303 feet) in Doux de Coly with his self-developed RI-2000 double-rebreather. In 1998, Isler arrives at 4'250m at a depth of -35m.

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Multi-Gas Technical Diving

*ZHL-16x used as a basis for calculation algorithms in various decompression computers AND simulation software. It has been further refined by the **Gradient Factor Method**, popular with technical divers.*



Calculated inert gas uptake and elimination with gas switches for decompression (Tmx, EAN50; O₂, air)

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Practical Applications and Special Environments: Diving Computers

Models: Bühlmann, RGBM, VPM, combined; gas- or non gas-integrated; storage of up to 10 different gases



→ results from Deco Brain Trials in Appendices



...and many, many more...

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...and don't let the DKL die!

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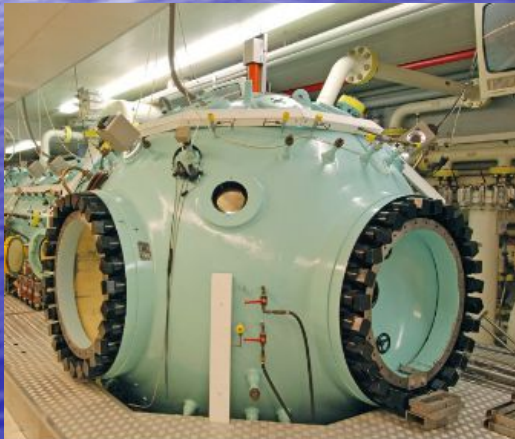
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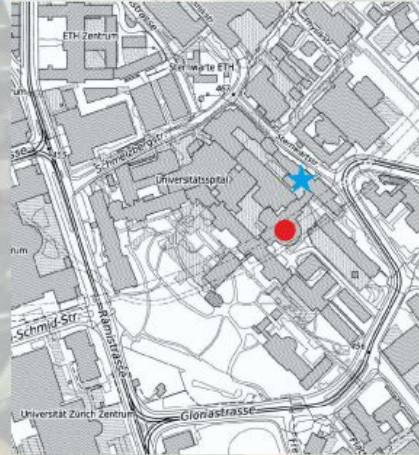
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Freitag/Vendredi/Friday

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08.30-19.00 Uhr/heure/hours

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Program of the Symposium 2019 (2)

Im März 2019 jährt sich A. A. Bühlmanns Todestag zum 25. Mal. Die Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Unterwasser- und Hyperbarmedizin und der Verein Historisches Druckkammerlabor Universitätsspital Zürich organisieren deshalb ein Symposium mit vielen spannenden Themen und Referenten. U.a. wird Thomas Bühlmann, Sohn des Entwicklers des berühmten Dekompressionsmodelles, über die tauchmedizinische Forschung in Zürich von 1959 bis 1994 aus historischer Sicht berichten. Zudem stehen die Räumlichkeiten des seit 2005 stillgelegten Druckkammerlabors zur Besichtigung offen.

Mars 2019 marque le 25^e anniversaire de la mort de A. A. Bühlmann. A cette occasion, la Société Suisse de Médecine Subaquatique et Hyperbare et l'Association du Laboratoire Hyperbare Historique de l'Hôpital Universitaire de Zurich organisent un symposium avec de nombreux sujets et intervenants passionnants. Entre autres Thomas Bühlmann, fils du développeur du fameux modèle de décompression, présentera un compte-rendu historique sur la recherche en médecine de plongée effectuée à Zurich de 1959 à 1994. De plus, les locaux du laboratoire hyperbare désaffectés depuis 2005 pourront être visités. Nous nous réjouissons de vous accueillir sur l'ancien lieu de travail du prof. Bühlmann.

25 years ago A.A. Bühlman passed away. For this reason the Swiss Underwater and Hyperbaric Medical Society (SUHMS) and the Historical Hyperbaric Chamber Zurich Association (DKL-USZ) are offering an extraordinary memorial symposium to all interested divers and physicians with a series of interesting lectures. Among others, Thomas Bühlmann, A.A. Bühlmann's son, who is engaged in historical research about his father's diving medical work from 1959 to 1994, will present a report about this period. In addition, there will be a unique opportunity to visit the remains of the former Hyperbaric Chamber Laboratory with a guided tour. We are looking forward to welcome you at A. A. Bühlmanns former work-place.

Freitag/Vendredi/Friday 29.03.2019

- 15:15 Registration
- 15:45 Opening
- 16:00 Current Diving and Hyperbaric Medical Research in Switzerland
- 16:30 Rapture of the deep, new insights and questions
- 17:20 Bühlmann and funnel chest? What is the link?
- 17:35 Decompression Models: «de-mystified»
- 18:40 General assembly «Historical Hyperbaric Chamber Laboratory Zurich Association»
- 19:10 General assembly «Swiss Underwater and Hyperbaric Medical Society»
- 19:40 Welcome Drink



Fotos
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Samstag/Samedi/Saturday 30.03.2019

- 08:15 Opening and Registration
- 08:30 Diving Medical Research in Zurich 1959 to 1994
- 09:10 A. A. Bühlmann - Beyond Diving Medicine
- 09:50 Coffee Break
- 10:10 History and Development of Decompression Algorithms
- 11:00 Milestones of the Deep Diving Research Laboratory Zurich
- 11:35 500 m Chamber Dive
- 11:55 Interview: Being Guinea Pig at 500 Meters
- 12:15 Lunch Break
- 13:00 Bühlmann's Saturation Diving Algorithm, deep mixed gas tables and how they changed practice in occupational diving
- 13:35 Tables for Mountain Lake Diving
- 14:25 Bühlmann-Algorithms for Dive Computers
- 15:00 The use of the Zurich Hyperbaric Chamber Laboratory during the late period 1994 until today
- 15:25 Coffee Break
- 15:45 Is diving a stress for pulmonary capillaries?
- 16:35 The DAN Europe Diving Data Base: Diving Modalities, Habits, Echographic & Doppler Bubble Monitoring, Risk Factors, Incidents & Accidents
- 17:25 Extreme Recreational Diving
- 18:15 Farewell

Präsentationsfolien auf englisch, Referate in einer der drei Amtssprachen (D/F/I).

Diapositives en anglais, présentations en allemand, français ou italien.

Slides allways in English, talks in German, French or Italian.

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The Faculty Members of the Symposium 2019



Dr. jur. T. Bühlmann
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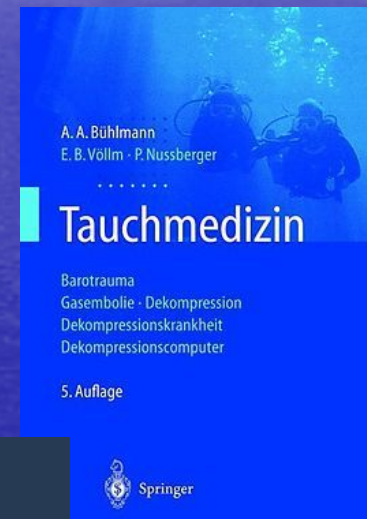
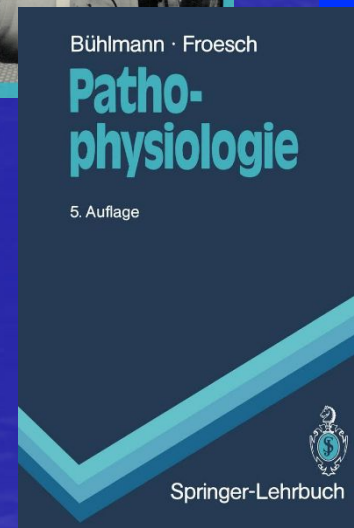
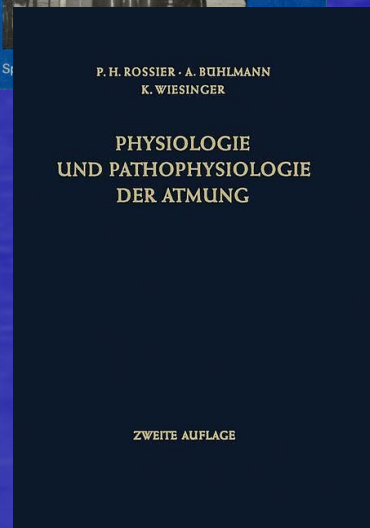
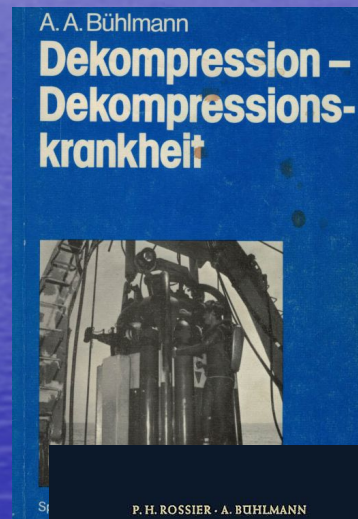
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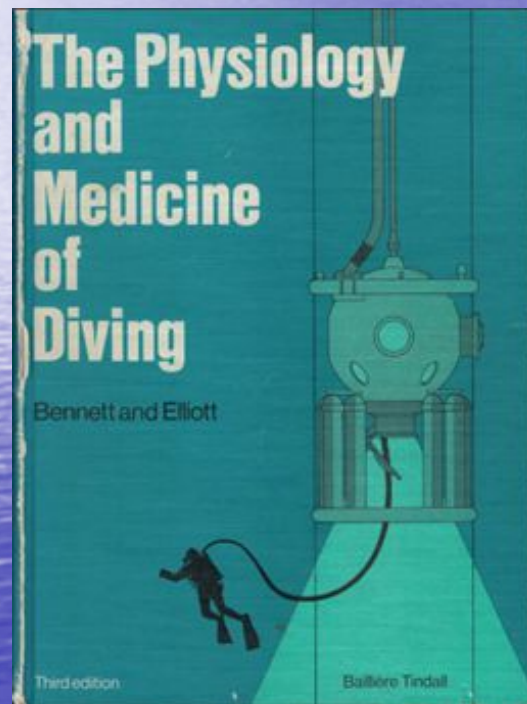
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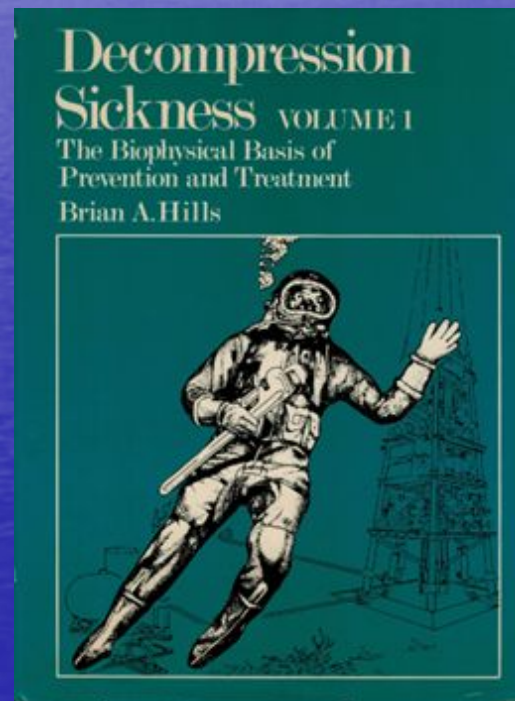


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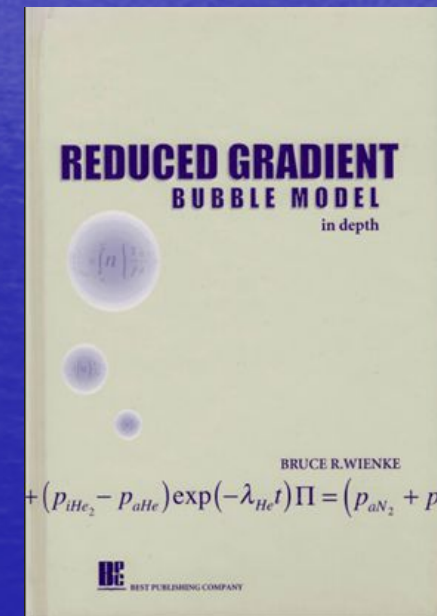
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Different models, basic physiology of gas transport, DCS



Different models, „thermodynamic decomposition“ (diffusion, bubble model), DCS



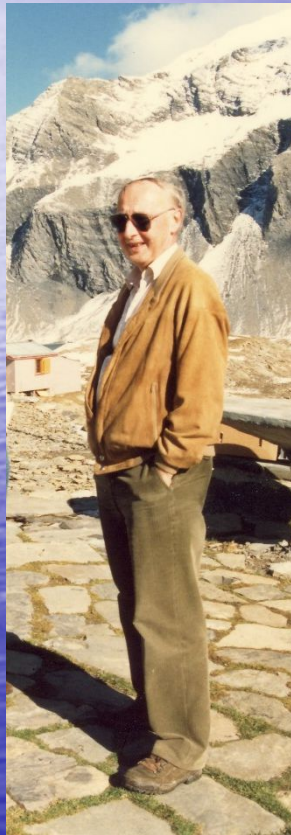
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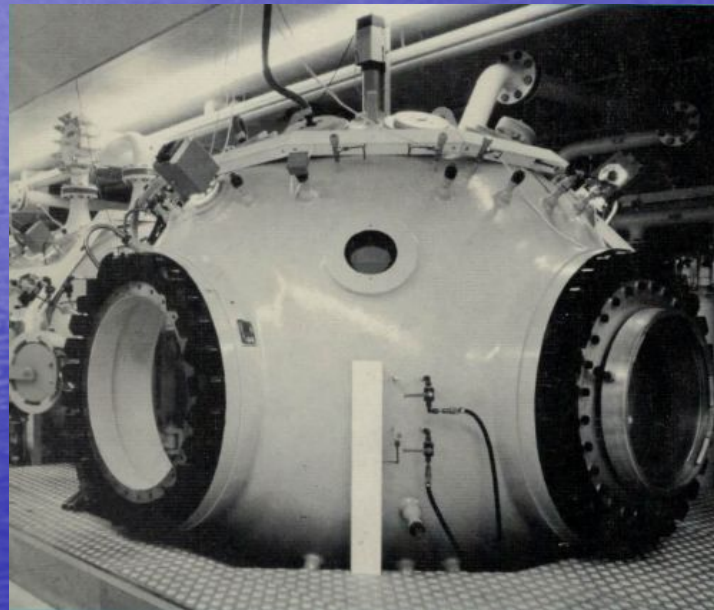
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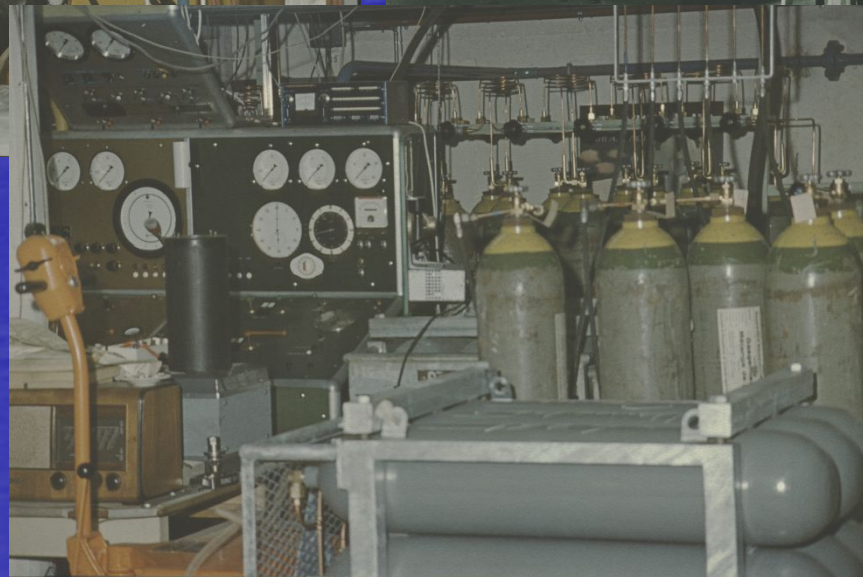
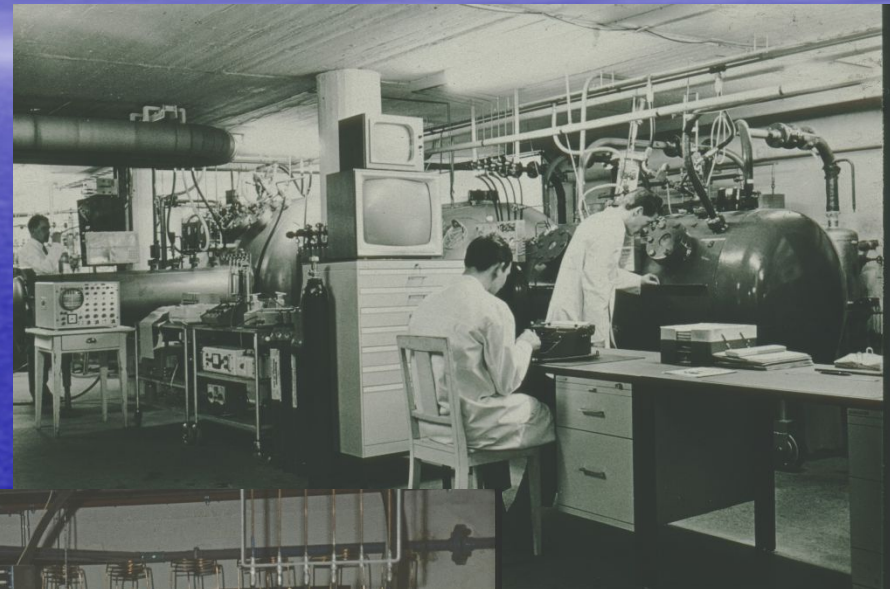
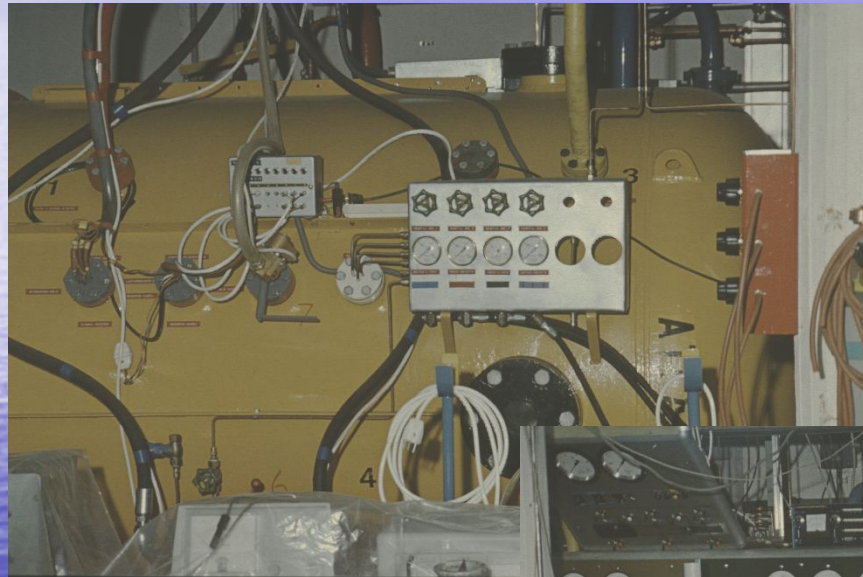
Chamber at University Hospital
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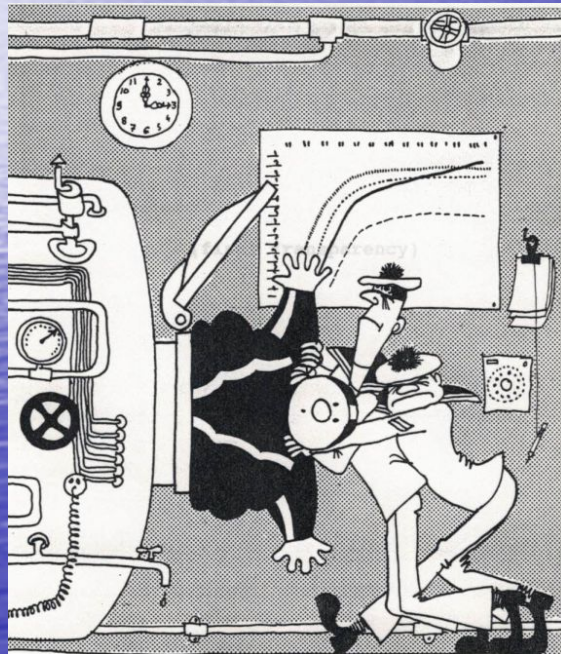
The „Lab“ and the men behind (2)

The old chamber installation



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The „Lab“ and the men behind (3)



Location: Zürich, Switzerland
Operator: University Hospital, Zürich
Manufacturer: Pressure vessels by Gebrüder Sulzer, Winterthur, Switzerland

Completion: 1975

Technical details:

Operating pressure	0.5–101 bar			
Dimensions of chamber	1	2	3	4
Diameter (mm)	2500	2000	2000	3500
Internal length (mm)	—	3200	1600	—
Hatch diameter (mm)	800	800	800	1300
Volume (m ³)	8	10	6.5	22

Filled with air, heliox or pure oxygen; chamber 4 only water.

Purpose:

Development of practicable diving procedures for off-shore exploration (field oriented)

Solutions for special problems of deep diving down to 1000 m in form of basic research

Development of decompression and treatment tables

Development of decompression tables for high altitudes (mountain lakes)

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The „Lab“ and the men behind (4)

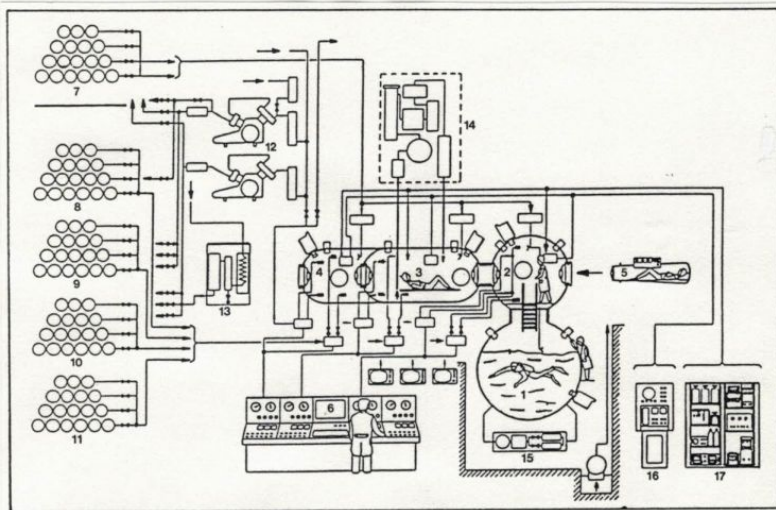


Fig. 2.15: schematic diagram of monitor-, supply-, and life-supporting systems and peripherals

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| 1: wet chamber | 10: air |
| 2: high pressure sphere | 11: helium |
| 3: decompression chamber | 12: compressors |
| 4: pre-chamber/ lock | 13: helium recovery unit |
| 5: one-man transport chamber | 14: chamber: air conditioning/treatment unit |
| 6: control-/monitoring centre | 15: water treatment unit |
| 7: storage breathing gases | 16: medical surveillance |
| 8: oxygen | 17: gas analyzing system |
| 9: spec. gas mixtures | |

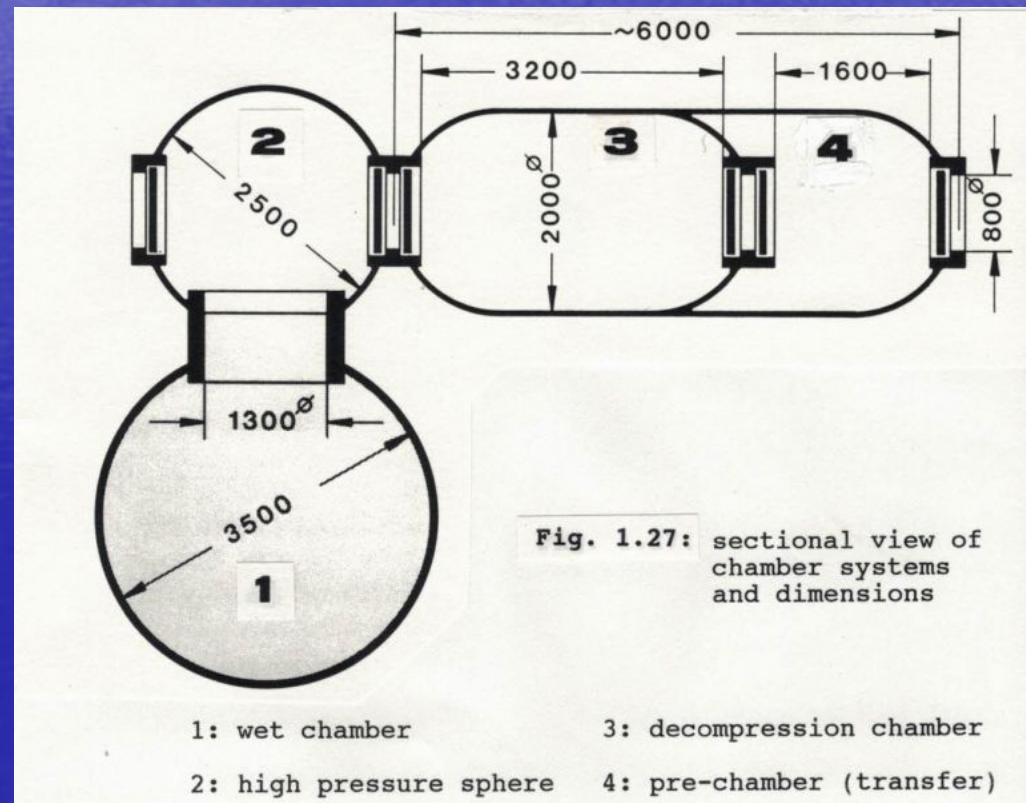
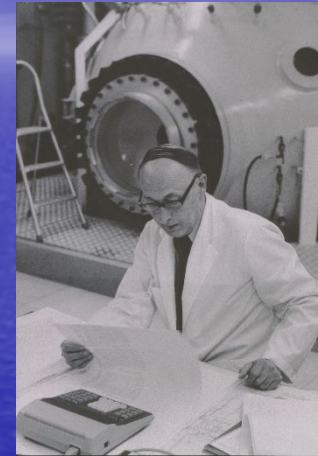


Fig. 1.27: sectional view of chamber systems and dimensions

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1: wet chamber | 3: decompression chamber |
| 2: high pressure sphere | 4: pre-chamber (transfer) |

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The „Lab“ and the men behind (5)



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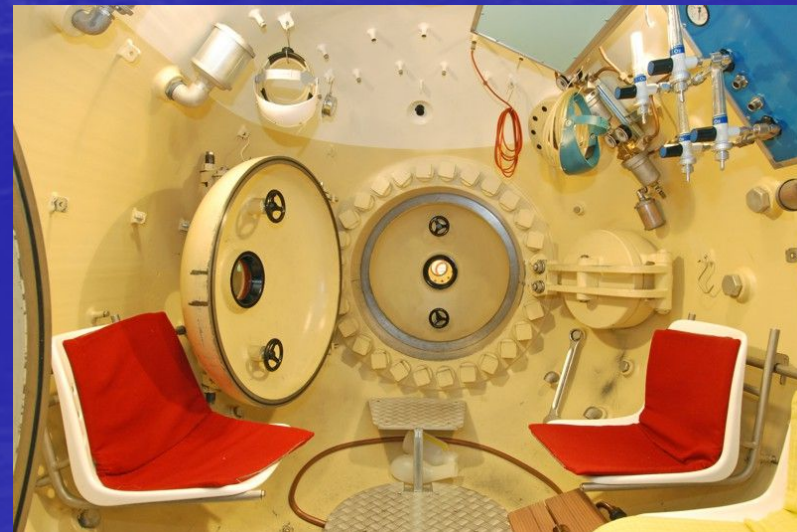
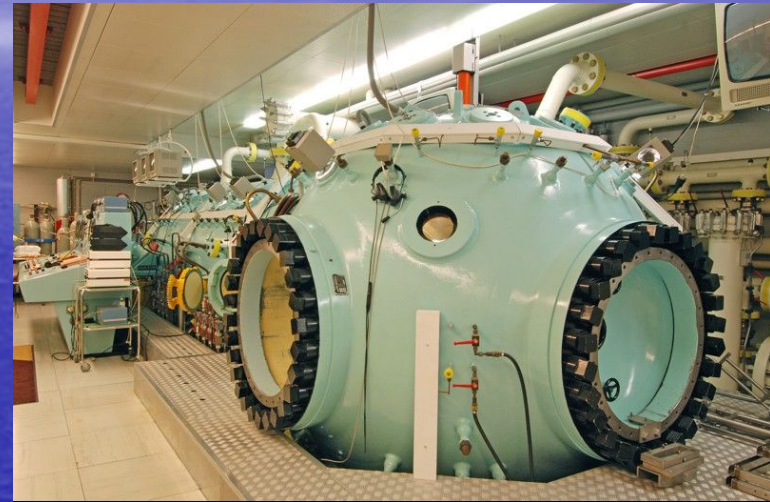
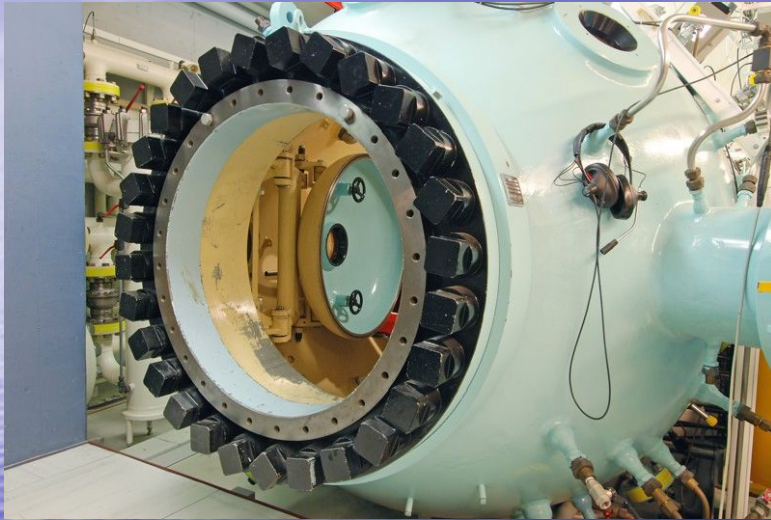
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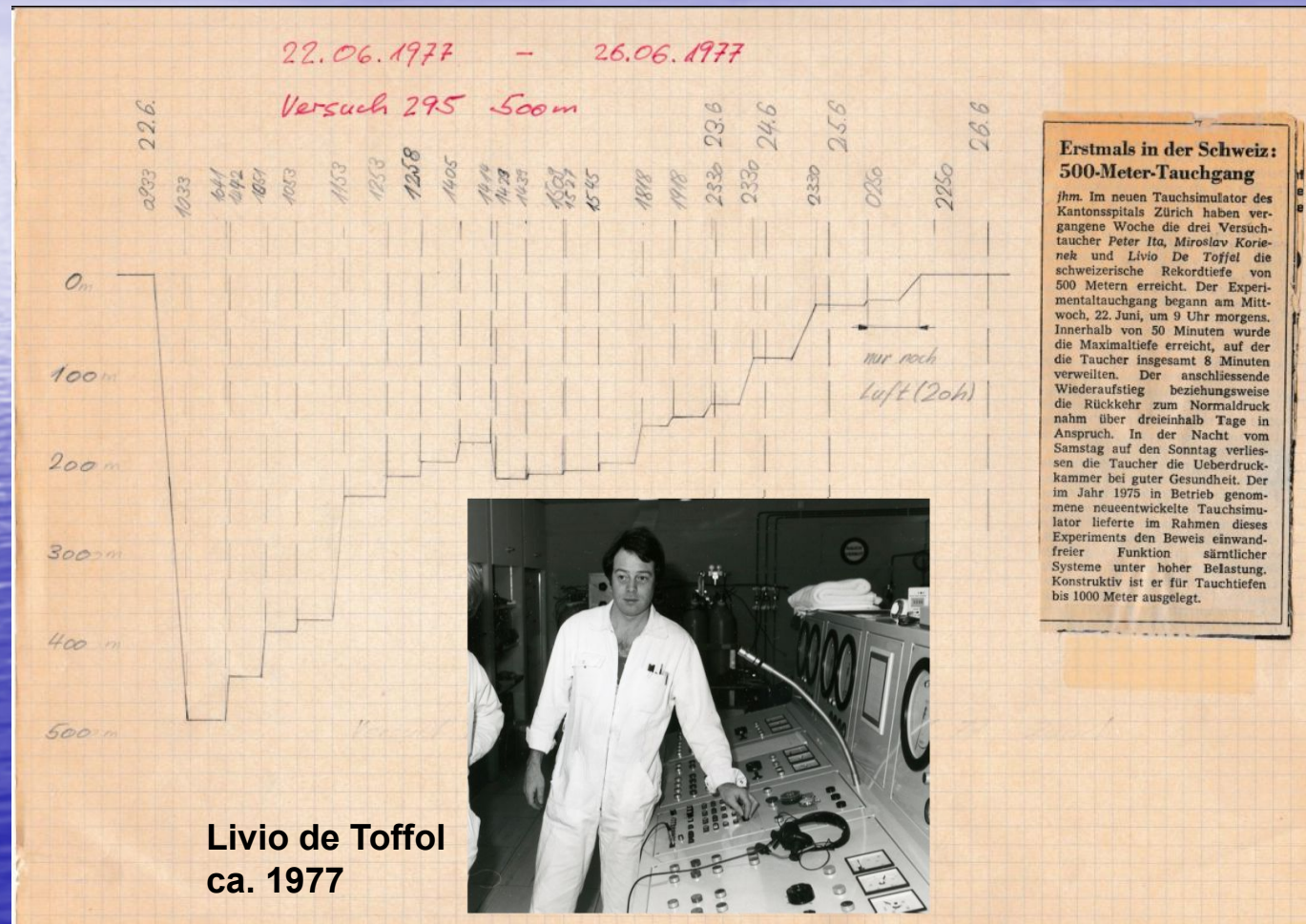
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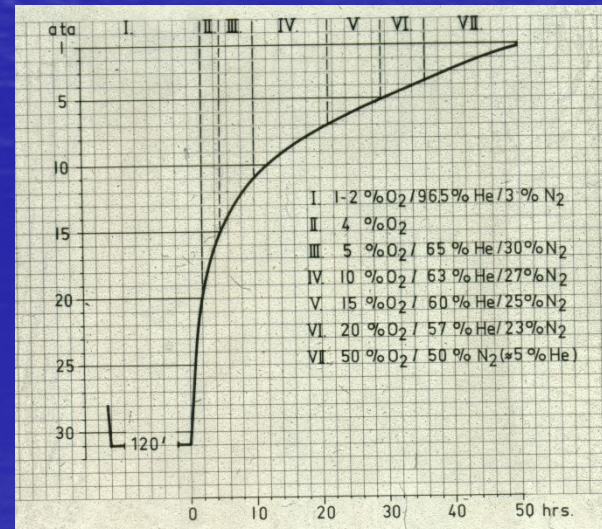
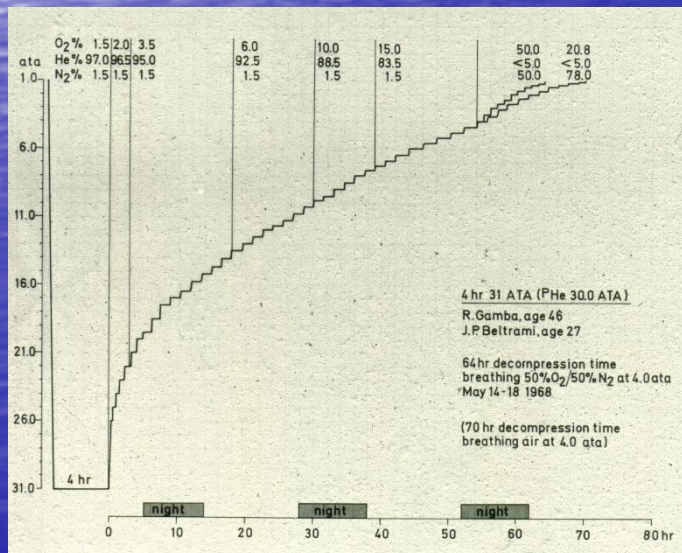
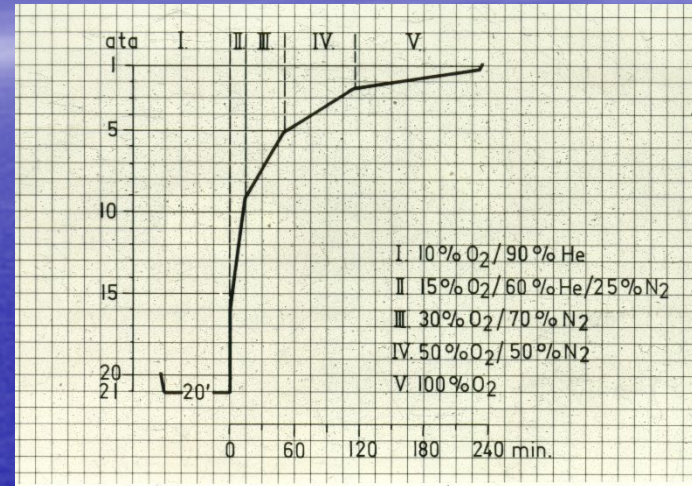
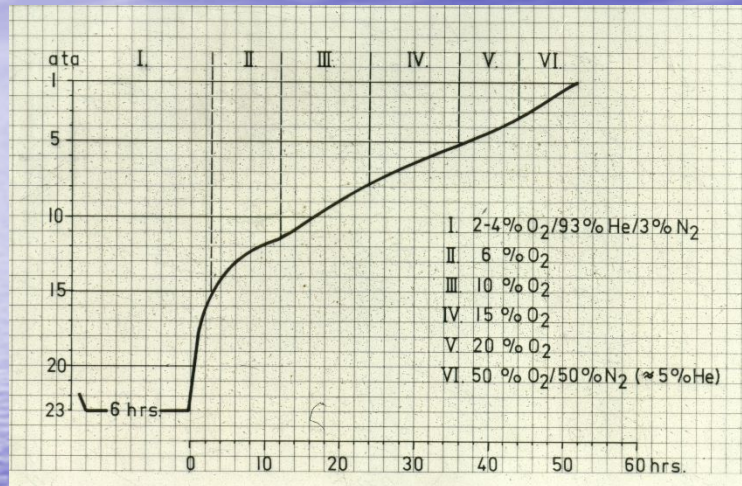
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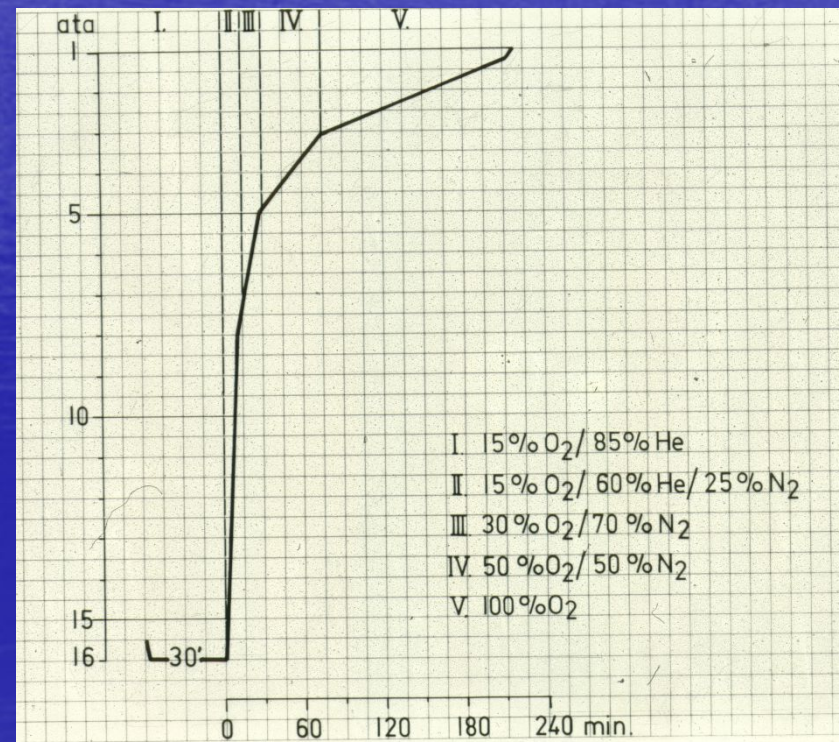
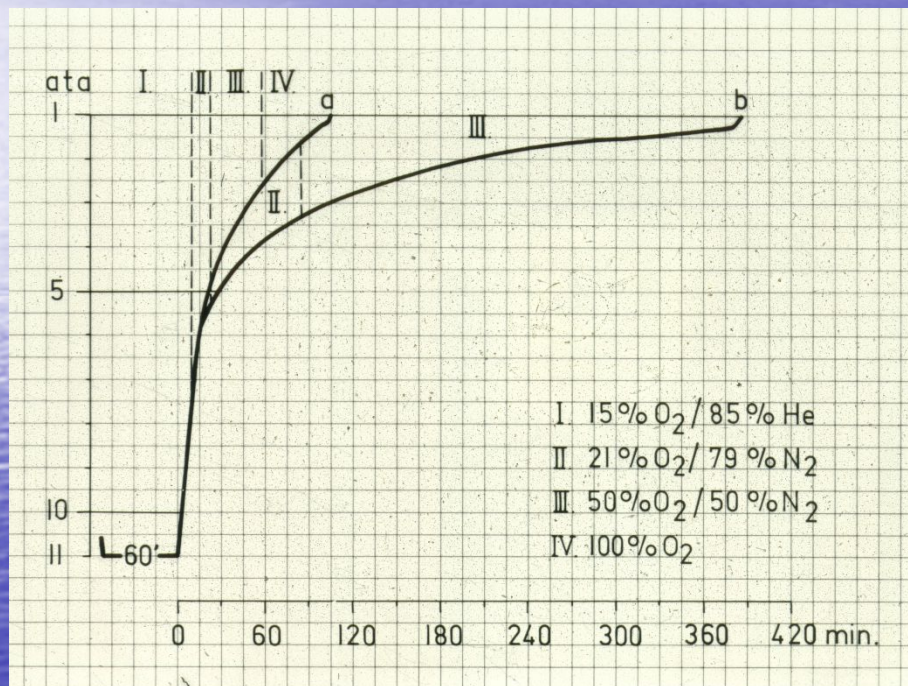
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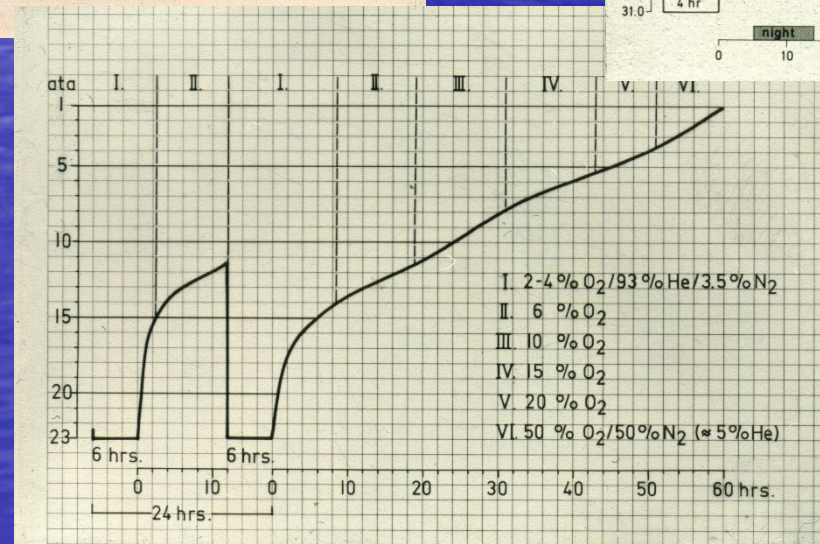
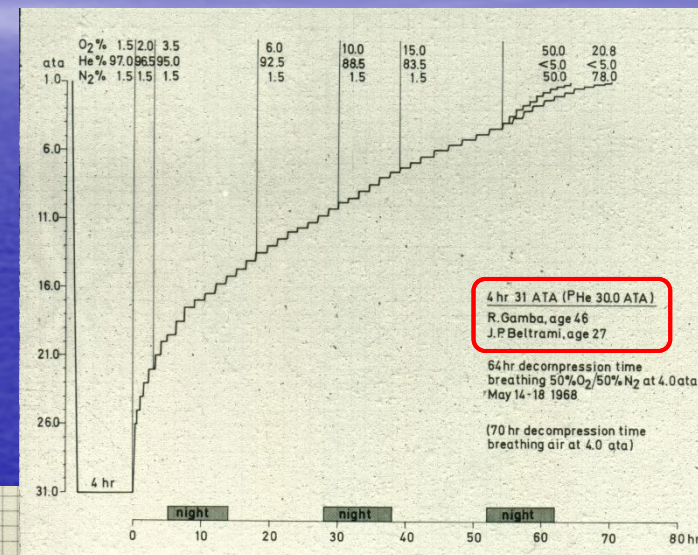
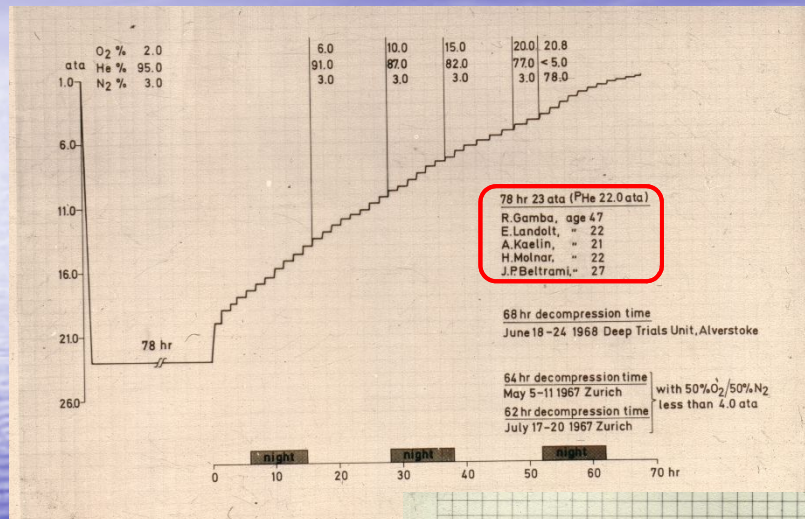
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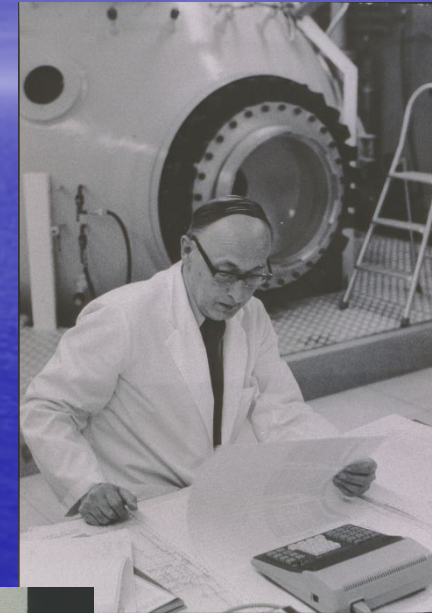
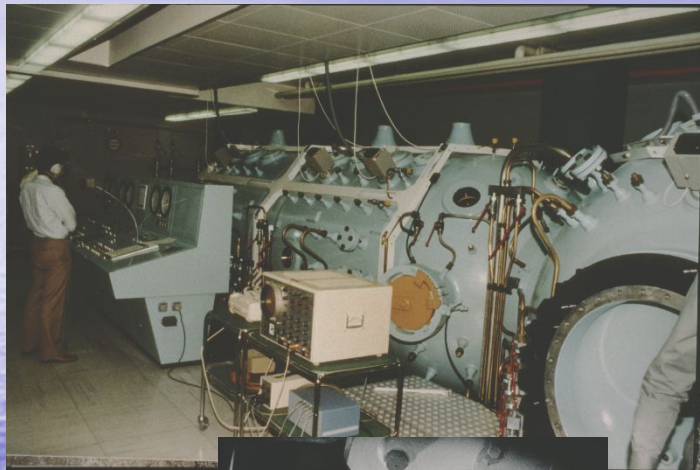
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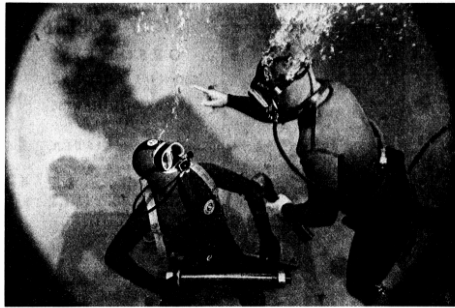
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Im Einsatz unter Wasser im Tauchboot lässt sich auch die Funktion von Atemgeräten und anderen dazugehörigen unteruchen. Ein schiffbares Tauchboot ermöglicht es dem Tauchpersonal, sich mit unter Wasser schwimmenden Tauchern zu beschäftigen. Das Wasser im Tauchboot kann gelöst, gelöst und leicht gelöst werden. Jeder Tauchergeschäft hat ein eigenes Tauchboot, das für eine unterwasserliche Erlebensweise konzipiert ist.

Tauchen im Tank

Von Ray Lemmer (Text) und Heinz Baumann (Aufnahmen)

Die Ozeane bedecken mehr als zwei Drittel der Oberfläche unseres Planeten. Noch und sie weitgehend unerforscht, doch man weiss, dass sie die letzten unerschlossenen Substanzkammern der Menschheit sind. Auf dem Grund der Ozeane warten Rohstoffe in noch knappen Aufhängen zahlreicher unerschlossener Meeres- und auf der Ausbeutung. Und bei vernünftiger Bewirtschaftung kann das Meer auch eine überreiche Nahrungsquelle bleiben.

Die Geheimnisse der Tiefe haben Menschen schon vor Jahrtausenden unter Wasser gelockt. Bereits Aristoteles berichtet von Tauchern, die sich einer Atemschlange oder einer Taucherglocke bedienten. Das Problem des Unterwasser unter Wasser wurde ursprünglich als eine reine Frage der Beschaffung von Atemluft angesehen. Doch bei Verwendung einer einfachen Schlauchverbindung zur Oberfläche wird schon in geringer Tiefe der Druck des Wassers auf den Brustkorb spürbar, der das Heben der Rippen und damit die Atembewegung verunmöglicht.

Dieses Hindernis kann überwunden werden, indem man dem Taucher Luft unter Druck zuführt. Das Prinzip ist dasselbe, und zwar sowohl beim Helmtaucher wie beim mit Pressluftflaschen tauchenden Freischwimmer. Der Druck der Atemluft muss dabei dem in der entsprechenden Tauchtiefe herrschenden Luftdruck angepasst werden. Dieser nimmt pro zehn Meter Wassertiefe um jeweils eine Atmosphäre zu. In 100 Metern Tiefe lastet auf dem Taucher somit ein Luftdruck von 10 Atmosphären, in 200 Metern Tiefe von 20 Atmosphären und so weiter.

So nennt dieser Druck entsteht, er wird vom Körper ohne weiteres vertragen. Doch das Einströmen von Pressluft hat eine andere, folgenschwere Wirkung auf den Organismus. Je tiefer man taucht, je höher also der Druck der Atemluft ist, desto mehr strömt Blut in das Blut, in den Muskeln, in den Gelenken, in den Knochen und in den Knochen. Das Gas, aus dem der Taucher unter Atemluft besteht, ist dann im Organismus gelöst wie die Kohlensäure im Mineralwasser. Kehrt der Taucher nun zu seiner normalen Luft zurück, das heisst reduziert er das auf ihm lastende Druck zu schnell, passiert dasselbe, wie beim Öffnen einer Mineralwasserflasche. Sein Blut schäumt auf, Gasbläschen in allen Geweben und in seinen Gelenken zu raschen Tod. Kommt der Taucher mit dem Leben davon, können irreversible Schädigungen unterschiedlicher Schwere die Folge sein.

Indessen zeigt der Stickstoff auch noch eine andere Wirkung: Unterhalb einer gewissen Tiefe, also bei ausreichender Lösungskonzentration im Körper, beginnt er neugierig zu wirken. Dies äussert sich zunächst im sogenannten Tauchernähe, vergleichbar der Trunkenheit durch Alkohol. In grösseren Tiefen stellt sich auch rasch Bewusstlosigkeit ein. Schon tiefer Tauchernähe jedoch kann ein Taucher zu ähnlichen Verhalten verleiten. Unter Wasser bedeutet das sehr leicht den Tod.

Der Tauchernähe, bis zu welchem ein Taucher mit stickstoffhaltiger Pressluft spezialisiert tauchen kann, wird in der Regel mit 30 bis 50 Metern angegeben. Risikofreudige, «abgehärtete» Taucher stossen auch immer wieder weiter vor, doch Tauchertiefen von 80 oder gar 100 Metern galten noch vor etwa 15 Jahren als heissere Leistung. Heute wird – vor allem auf unterwasserischen Erdbühnen – routinemässig in Tiefen über 200, ja sogar 300 Meter getaucht. Dies wurde nur möglich durch die Entwicklung neuerer Tauchermethoden und -verfahren. Nicht nur in Ländern, die an Ozeanen grenzen – wie etwa in Frankreich, in den USA, in England oder Russland –, machen sich Wissenschaftler an die schwere Aufgabe, dem Menschen den Weg in die Tiefe zu erschliessen. Die wesentlichen Impulse kamen aus dem Binnensee Schweiz, und unser Land steht heute in diesem Forschungsbereich international mit an vorderster Front.

Genau genommen begann die Entwicklung im Jahre 1959 mit dem Besuch eines Studenten beim damaligen Spezialisten für Lungentherapie und heute international bekannten Zürcher Tauchmediziner Prof. Albert A. Bühlmann. Der junge Mann trug

den Wissenschaftler seine Pläne vor, die durch die Stickstoff-narkose gebundene Tauchergrenze zu überwinden. Er stellte sich als Versuchstaucher zur Verfügung und wurde immer tiefer und tiefer. Am 21. November 1959 machte Hannes Keller durch einen ersten sensationellen Tauchversuch im Zürcher auf 120 Meter Schlingentau, ein Jahr später erreichte er im Tauchboot der Eidgenössischen Marine in Tübingen 230 Meter und 1962 vor der Küste Kaliforniens 300 Meter.

So grossen Aufsehen diese Rekordausgänge auch erregten – von ihrer wissenschaftlichen Bedeutung abgesehen waren sie von keinem praktischen Wert. Die Außenhaltung in der grössten Tiefe betrug jeweils nur Sekundenbruchteile wenige Minuten. Der Taucher musste rasch wieder zur Oberfläche zurückkehren, da die Anreicherung der Atemluft in seinem Körper ein noch weitgehend ungelöstes Problem darstellte.



Die Leiter des Zürcher Druckkammerlaboratoriums, Prof. Dr. med. Albert A. Bühlmann und Ing. Hans-Joachim, am Kommando der neuen Tauchkammer.



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voran zu sein, und er verblühte die Fachwelt immer wieder durch aufsehenerregende wissenschaftliche Leistungen. Eine der bemerkenswertesten war ein Rekordtauchgang im Jahre 1960 mit mehreren Versuchspersonen, die während mehr als dreier Tage unter Verhältnissen entsprechend einer Tiefe von 300 Metern leben und zudem drei Arbeitsschichten von jeweils 1 bis 2 Stunden in 350 Metern Tiefe ausführen.

Dieser Rekordtauchgang fand in einem Tauchboot der Royal Navy in Südschottland statt, da in Zürich damals noch keine Druckkammer entsprechender Grösse und mit einem Wassertank zur Verfügung stand. Experimente solcher Art werden nicht im Meer durchgeführt. Der technische Aufwand wäre enorm, das Risiko gross, die Verhältnisse unübersichtlich.

Man kann die physiologischen Verhältnisse, wie sie in der Merestiefe herrschen, ablesen ausgerechnet simulieren, indem man Taucher in drucklose Stahlkammern stellt und diese mit dem entsprechenden Luftdruck «aufpumpt». In einer solchen Druckkammer verhält sich der Körper genauso, als befände er sich in



der entsprechenden Wassertiefe. Die Simulation wird noch echter, wenn ein Druckkammermodell mit einem wassergefüllten Abteil versehen wird, in dem Taucher mit Atemgeräten herumswimmen und den Organismus belastende Arbeiten ausführen können.

Die dargelegte Problematik um den Tiefenrausch machte deutlich, dass der Taucher in den sicheren Tod schwimmen würde, wenn er mit stickstoffhaltiger Pressluft 100, 200 Meter oder gar noch tiefer tauchte. Er muss in solchen Fällen ein anderes Atemgasgemisch benutzen, in dem der gefährliche Stickstoff durch das Edigase Helium ersetzt wurde. Auch Helium führt zur Blasenbildung im Organismus, wenn der Taucher zu schnell aufsteigt. Es erfordert jedoch schon in mehreren hundert Metern Tiefe noch keine radikale Wirkung.

Wie tief kann ein Taucher mit einem Helium-Sauerstoff-Gemisch tauchen? Wie lange braucht er zum sicheren Auftauchen, wenn er keine oder länger Zeit in einer bestimmten Tiefe zugebracht hat? Dies und zwei im Vordergrund stehende Fragen, die die Tauchforschung mit Hilfe von Druckkammern experimentell beantworten wollten. Im Druckkammerlaboratorium Zürich wurde Mitte letzten Jahres einer der modernsten heute existierenden Tauchkammern in Betrieb genommen. Dieser



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Mit dem Fahrd-Systemer wird das Verhalten des Organismus bei kognitiver Arbeit unter Überdruck gemessen.

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environment has been questioned in the past. Trials conducted led to a revision of practices and changes were made to guard book procedures. The SURVIVEX provided the opportunity to verify the guard book in a realistic situation.

The ELSS capability had not yet been conclusively demonstrated. Pods which weigh approximately 100 kg when fully laden with life support stores, food, water, medications etc. can be posted by ROV into the escape tower, providing extra time for the rescue forces to prepare. Difficulties have been noted when trialling the pods and a formal evaluation of the pod posting according to guard book procedures occurred during BLACK CARILLON 98.

Monitoring System

How does the RAN manage such a process? The RAN has implemented an internal 2 stage certification process addressing the material, engineering and operational aspects of the SERS with an additional annual audit of the system addressing these issues. The Remora is certified by the classification authority, Det Norske Veritas (DNV) for material safety with the recompression chamber suite currently undergoing this certification process.

The SUBSAFE Board Submarine Escape and Rescue Subgroup (comprising operational, medical and engineering representatives) is responsible for ensuring no hazard items represent an unacceptable risk prior to the conduct of these trials and in future operations.

Australian Defence Medical Ethics committee approval has been sought and granted for each phase of the exercises.

Summary

The RAN has developed and implemented a sophisticated escape and rescue organisation, the concept of which is being adopted by other major submarine nations around the world. The organisation includes not only the material hardware but a framework for review, accountability and progress. The Black Carillon exercise series will be followed by future exercises planned to maintain the momentum and in-house expertise in submarine escape and rescue.

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MILESTONES OF THE DEEP DIVING RESEARCH LABORATORY ZURICH

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Key Words

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Abstract

Between 1959 and 1963 the deep diving pioneer Hannes Keller performed a series of depth records using heliox. He was assisted by the lung physiologist Professor AA Bühlmann of Zurich University. In 1961 application of a modified multi-tissue, perfusion limited, decompression algorithm for nitrogen and helium enabled an open sea dive to 305 m at Santa Catalina Island off California. However the price was a fatality. This dive was a break through for commercial diving, proving the feasibility of deep diving with helium.

A research contract with Shell, to develop decompression tables for offshore work, allowed the restructured research team at Zurich to construct a 100 ATA hyper- and hypobaric, multichamber, research and treatment facility, planned and directed by one of the authors (BS), an engineer. Experimental dives were continued down to 220 and 350 m at Alverstone, UK, in 1969, and to 575 m in Zurich in 1981. The original decompression tables were empirically modified and became widely used. The problems of calculated tables and true reality will be discussed.

Altitude dive tables for scuba bounce diving were produced to meet the needs of military and police divers in Switzerland. Dive tables using the same algorithms as used for the deep dive experiments were calculated and tested for different altitude ranges. Bühlmann postulated a linear relationship of his supersaturation tolerance coefficients to the external pressure. In 1972 the first altitude table was produced using a 12-tissue model and in 1986 the actual set of tables was produced based on 16 tissues.

In a period of general rejection of any diving practices using computers as on-line dive planners, Bühlmann supported the adaptation of the Zurich tables for diving computers. The 1986 model has been further adapted to take into account workload, temperature, respiratory rate and inadequate decompression procedures specially considering the bubbles load of the lungs during certain phases.

The actual activities of the hyperbaric facility can be divided into the development of deep dive breathing apparatus and research into clinical hyperbaric oxygen (HBO) therapy.

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Early Deep Diving Trials

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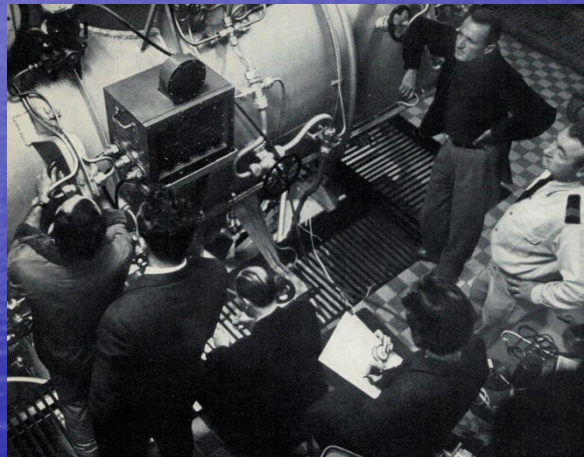
Birth of a new model: Early deep dives with Hannes Keller (1)

Toulon, French
Navy, 25. April 1961

300m and 220m
Heliox dives



H. Keller ca. 2005



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H. Keller & A.A. Bühlmann
Trials with French
Navy 1961; 300m

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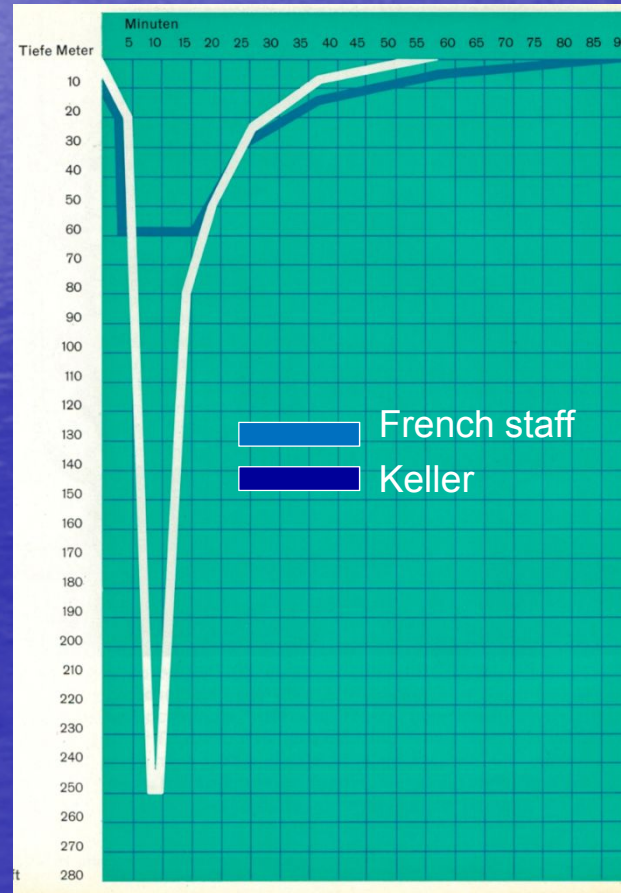
Early Deep Diving Trials (2)

Birth of a new model: Early deep dives with Hannes Keller (2a)

Toulon, French
Navy, 4 November
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Early trials to 60m
and 250m

Bottom time: 15 and
10min



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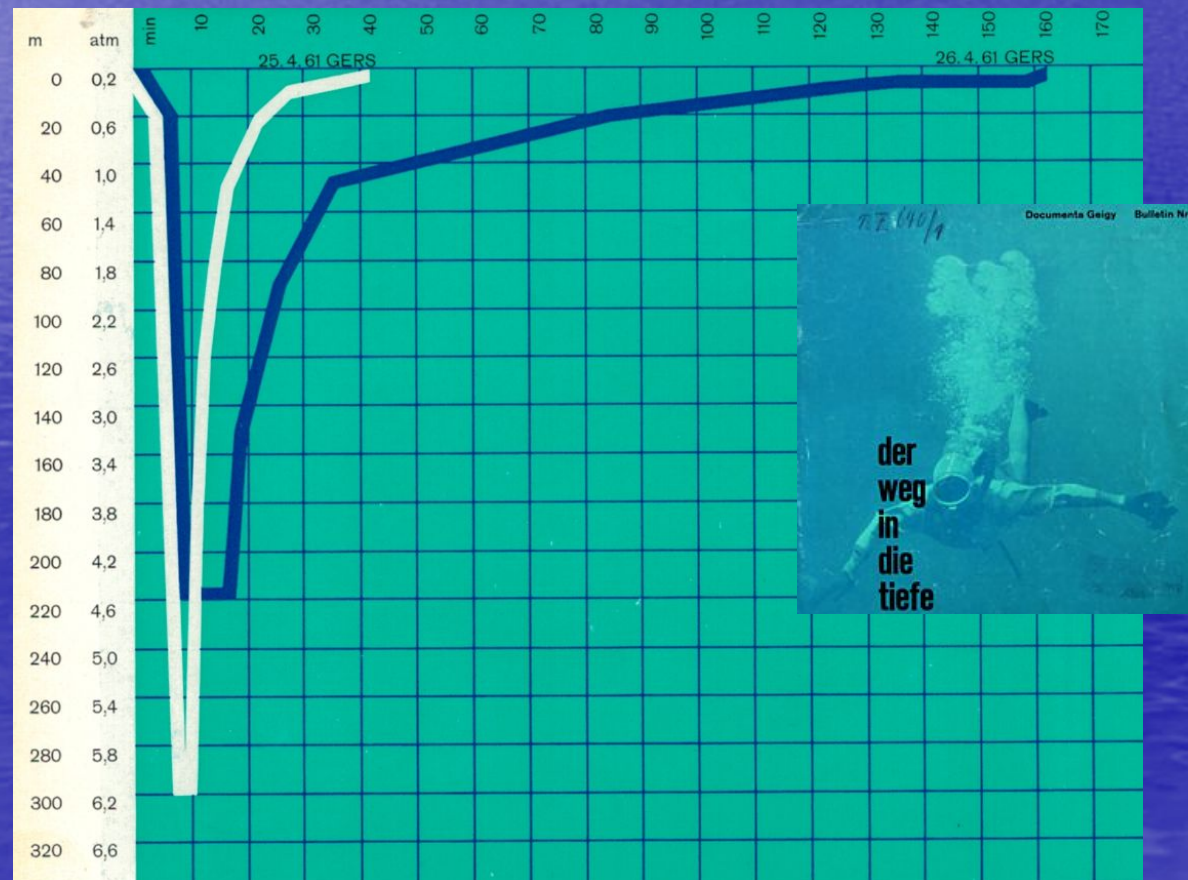
Early Deep Diving Trials (3)

Birth of a new model: Early deep dives with Hannes Keller (2b)

Toulon, French
Navy, 25. April 1961

300m and 220m
dives within 2 days!

Bottom time: 10 and
18min



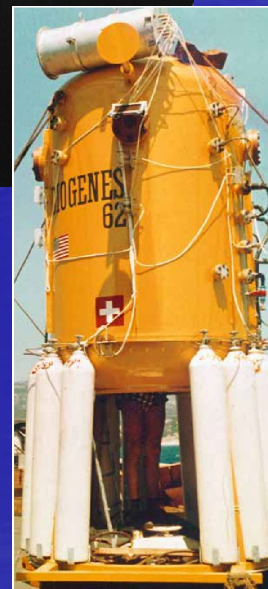
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Birth of a new model: Early deep dives with Hannes Keller (3)

San Diego, off
Catalina Island,
US Navy,
December 3, 1962

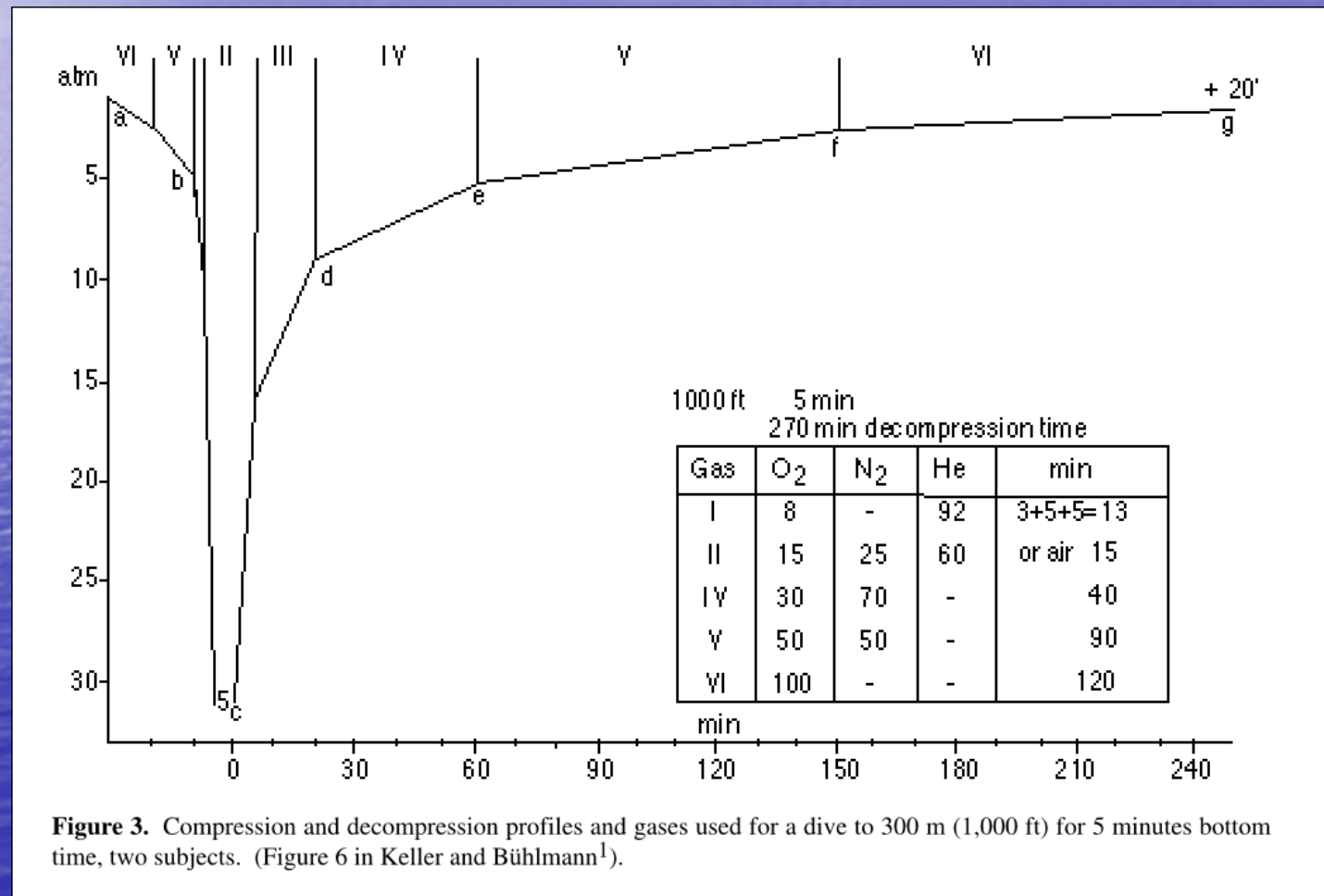
First 1020ft dive
ever made by
humans



Peter Small, who died of annoxia shortly afterwards

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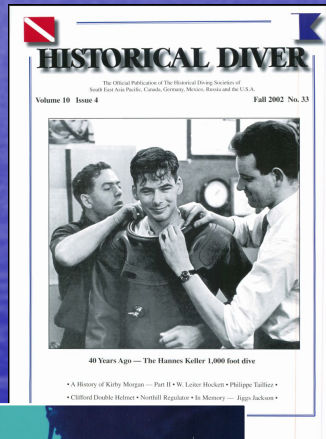
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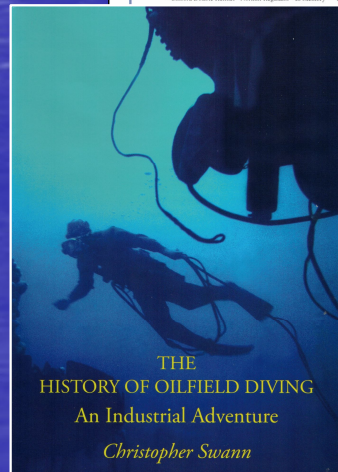
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Early Deep Diving Trials (5)

Birth of a new model: Early deep dives with Hannes Keller (4)



Keller with IBM data processing equipment working on his decompression tables.



Triumph and Tragedy at once

Gas mixtures breathed through mask:

Bottom: 8% O₂ / 92% He

500ft: 15% O₂ / 60% He / 25% N₂

165ft: 30% O₂ / 70% N₂

133ft: 50% O₂ / 50% N₂

50ft: 100% O₂

(the bell was filled with air. So after cut of external mixture supply from outside tanks at bottom, Keller was forced to breathe air on 300m / 30bar!)

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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models

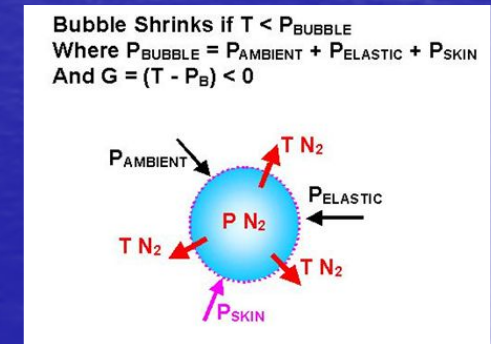
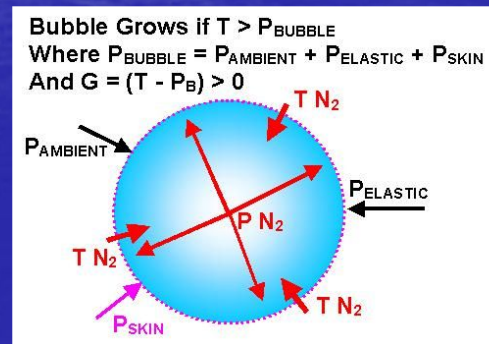
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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models (1)

General overview on models: concepts (1)

Two rather different concepts have been used for decompression modelling:

- The first assumes that dissolved gas is eliminated while in the ***dissolved phase***, and that bubbles are not formed during asymptomatic decompression.
- The second, which is supported by experimental observation, assumes that bubbles are formed during most asymptomatic decompressions, and that gas elimination must consider both ***dissolved gas*** - and ***bubble phases***.



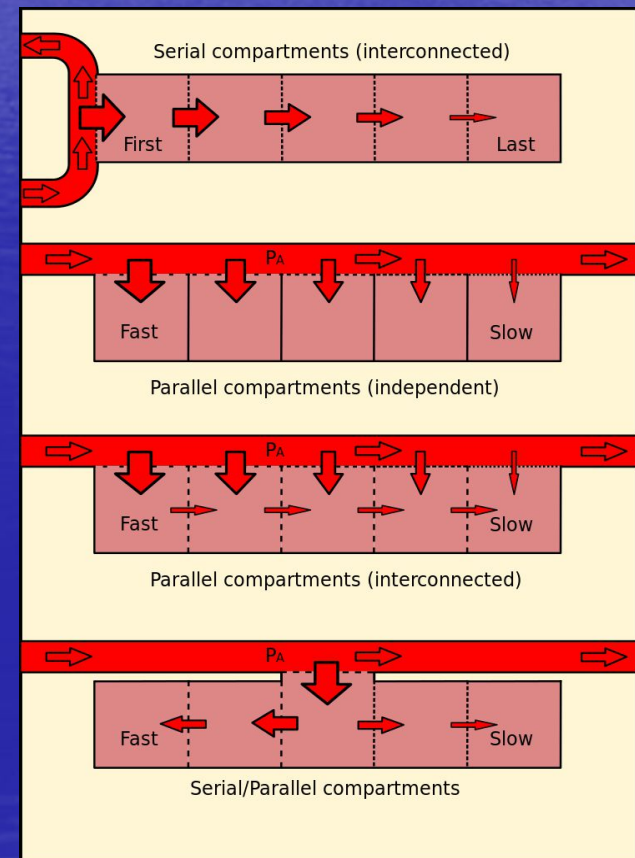
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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models (2)

General overview on models: dissolved phase types (2)

Early decompression models tended to use the dissolved phase models, and adjusted them by more or less arbitrary factors to reduce the risk of symptomatic bubble formation. **Dissolved phase models** are of two main groups:

- Parallel compartment models, where several compartments with varying rates of gas absorption (half time), are considered to exist independently of each other, and the limiting condition is controlled by the compartment which shows the worst case for a specific exposure profile. These compartments represent conceptual tissues and are not intended to represent specific organic tissues, merely to represent the range of possibilities for the organic tissues.
- The second group uses serial compartments, where gas is assumed to diffuse through one compartment before it reaches the next.
- A recent variation on the serial compartment model is the Goldman interconnected compartment model (ICM).



Different types of dissolved gas models

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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models (3)

General overview on models: outgassing mechanics (3)

The critical supersaturation approach

J.S. Haldane first used a (fixed) critical pressure ratio between the sum of the inert gas in each tissue and the surrounding ambient pressure. Further research by Workmann, Bühlmann et al. suggested that the criterion was not the ratio of pressures, but the actual pressure differentials.

At a given ambient pressure, the M-value is the maximum value of absolute inert gas pressure that a tissue compartment can take without symptoms of DCS. M-values are limits for the tolerated gradient between inert gas pressure and ambient pressure in each compartment

The no-supersaturation approach

According to the thermodynamic model of Hugh LeMessurier and Brian A. Hills, this condition of optimum driving force for outgassing is satisfied when the ambient pressure is just sufficient to prevent phase separation (bubble formation).

The model assumes that the natural unsaturation in the tissues due to metabolic reduction in oxygen partial pressure provides the buffer against bubble formation, and that the tissue may be safely decompressed provided that the reduction in ambient pressure does not exceed this unsaturation value.

The natural unsaturation increases with depth.

The critical volume approach

The critical-volume criterion assumes that whenever the total volume of gas phase accumulated in the tissues exceeds a critical value, signs or symptoms of DCS will appear. This assumption is supported by doppler bubble detection surveys. The consequences of this approach depend strongly on the bubble formation and growth model used, primarily whether bubble formation is practicably avoidable during decompression.

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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models (4)

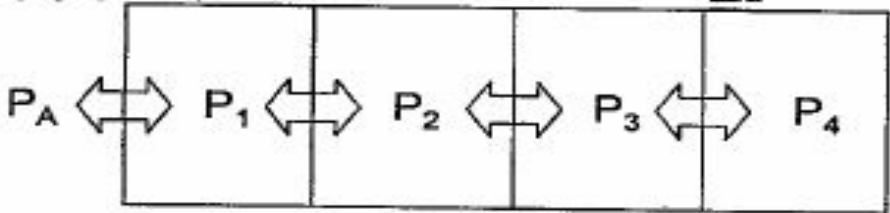
General overview on models: general remarks/conclusions (4)

- More recent models attempt to model bubble dynamics, also by simplified models, to facilitate the computation of tables, and later to allow real time predictions during a dive.
The models used to *approximate bubble dynamics* are varied, and range from those which are not much more complex than the *dissolved phase* models, to those which require considerably greater computational power.
- *None of the decompression models can be shown to be an accurate representation of the physiological processes, although interpretations of the mathematical models have been proposed which correspond with various hypotheses.*
They are all approximations which predict reality to a greater or lesser extent, and are acceptably reliable only within the bounds of calibration against collected experimental data.

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Perfusion- and Diffusion based models (5)

DCIEM (Canada) serial 4 compartment model


$$\frac{dP_n}{dt} = A[(B + P_{n-1} + P_n)(P_{n-1} - P_n) - (B + P_n + P_{n+1})(P_n - P_{n+1})]$$

where $P_0 = P_A$ and $P_5 = 0$

Fig. 6. Serial compartments decompression model - Kidd-Stubbs Model (Canadian/DCIEM).

(Source: DEVELOPMENT OF THE DCIEM 1983 DECOMPRESSION MODEL FOR COMPRESSED AIR DIVING, September 1984, DCIEM No. 84-R-44, R.Y. Nishi, G.R. Lauckner, Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine, Ontario, Canada)

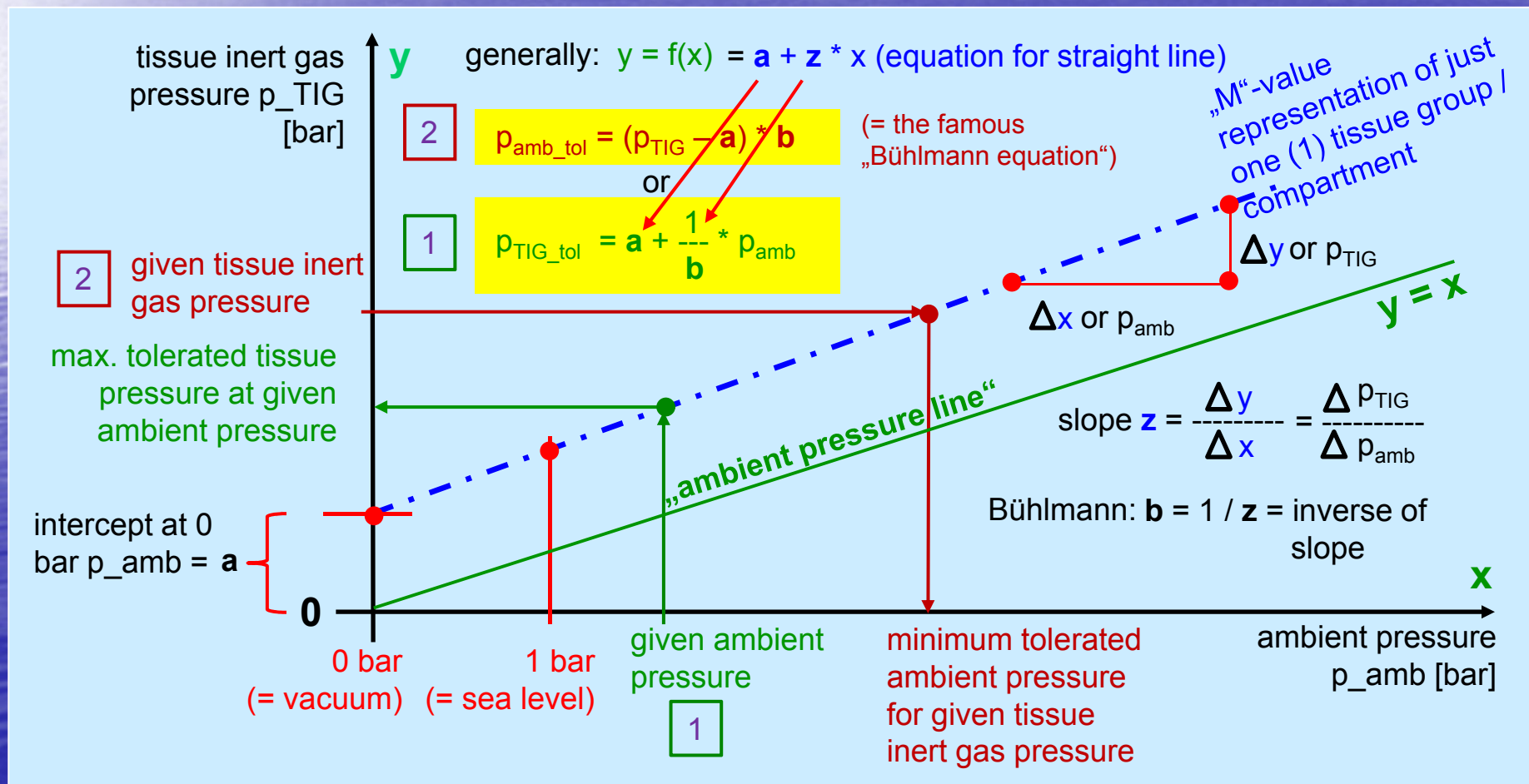
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**The Linear
Perfusion Models
ZHL-12/16**

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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (1)

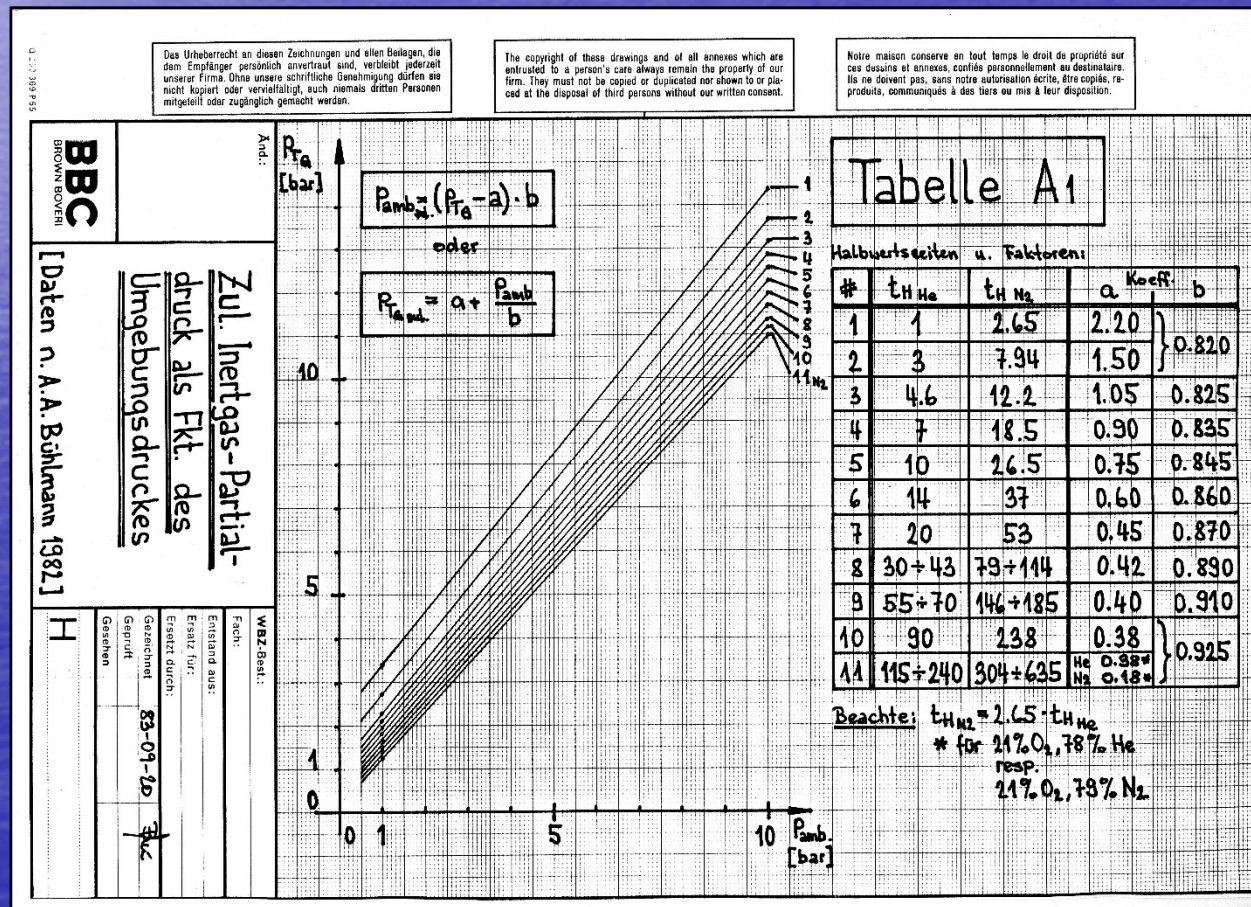
What do the factors **a**, **b** represent?



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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (2a)

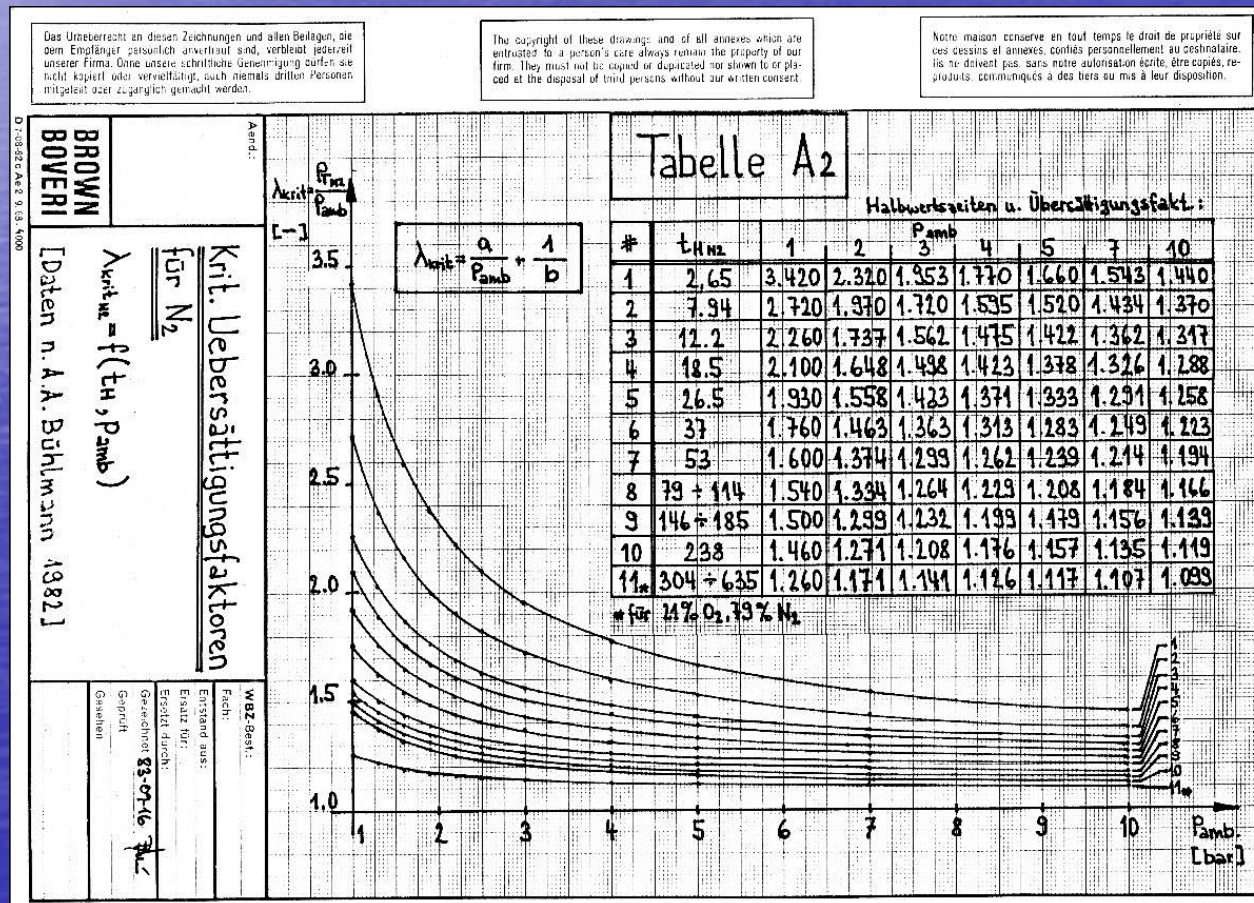
The former System ZHL-12 (1983, already modified)



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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (2b)

The former System ZHL-12 (1983, already modified)



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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (2c)

Die Koeffizienten des Systems ZHL-12

Version : Bühlmann, 28.05.1986 (Änderungen Nr. 1÷4)
verwendet: neue Tabelle 0-700 m und 701-2500 m des SUSV/VDST

$$P_{\text{amb.to1}} = (P_{\text{TIG}} - a) \cdot b \quad (\text{bar})$$

$P_{\text{amb.to1}}$: tolerierter Umgebungsdruck

P_{TIG} : N_2 -Lösungsdruck im Gewebe

a,b : ZHL-12 Koeffizienten

Gewebe	Komp. Nr.	$t_{\frac{1}{2}}$ (min)	Koeff.a (bar)	Koeff.b (-)
Gehirn, Rückenmark	1	4.0	1.906	0.810
	2	8.0	1.450	0.810
	3	12.5	1.040	0.810
	4	18.5	0.880	0.830
	5	27.0	0.717	0.845
Haut, Muskulatur	6	38.3	0.575	0.860
	7	54.3	0.468	0.870
	8	77.0	0.441	0.903
	9	109.0	0.415	0.908
Innenohr	10	146.0	0.416	0.939
	11	187.0	0.369	0.946
	12	239.0	0.369	0.946
	13	305.0	0.255	0.962
Gelenke, Knochen	14	390.0	0.255	0.962
	15	498.0	0.255	0.962
	16	635.0	0.255	0.962

As originally planned
for SUSV / VDST
tables.

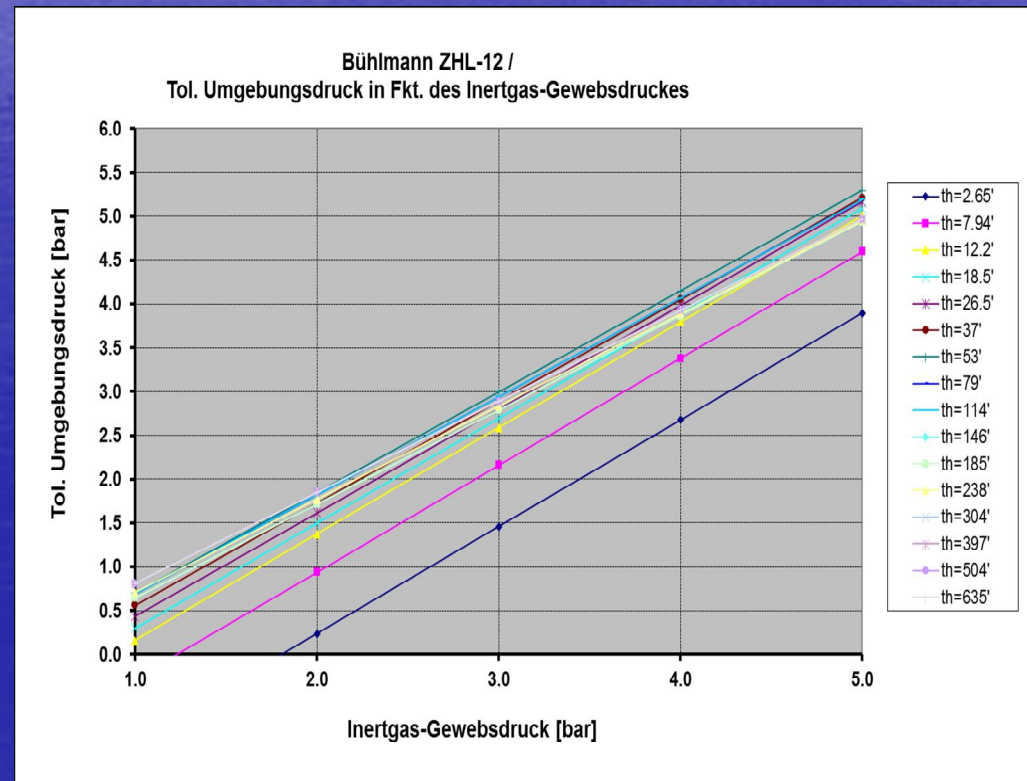
Some minor adaptins
were later made
towards ZHL-16B.

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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (2d)

The former System ZHL-12 (as published)

	HWZ (tH)	Letter	a	b
#	[min]	Code	[bar]	[---]
1	th=2.65'	A	2.2000	0.8200
2	th=7.94'	B	1.5000	0.8200
3	th=12.2'	C	1.0500	0.8250
4	th=18.5'	D	0.9000	0.8350
5	th=26.5'	E	0.7500	0.8450
6	th=37'	F	0.6000	0.8600
7	th=53'	G	0.4500	0.8700
8	th=79'	H	0.4300	0.8900
9	th=114'	I	0.4300	0.8900
10	th=146'	J	0.4300	0.9310
11	th=185'	K	0.4300	0.9310
12	th=238'	L	0.3500	0.9430
13	th=304'	M	0.2300	0.9620
14	th=397'	N	0.2300	0.9620
15	th=504'	O	0.2300	0.9620
16	th=635'	P	0.2300	0.9620



From: Decompression – Decompression Sickness, 1983

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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (3a)

The new System ZHL-16 (as published)

compartment #	half-time [min]	ZH-L16A		ZH-L16B	ZH-L16C
		(theoretical) b [-]	a [bar]	table a [bar]	computer a [bar]
1	4,0	0,5050	1,2599	1,2599	1,2599
2	8,0	0,6514	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000
3	12,5	0,7222	0,8618	0,8618	0,8618
4	18,5	0,7825	0,7562	0,7562	0,7562
5	27,0	0,8126	0,6667	0,6667	0,6200
6	38,3	0,8434	0,5933	0,5600	0,5043
7	54,3	0,8693	0,5282	0,4947	0,4410
8	77,0	0,8910	0,4701	0,4500	0,4000
9	109,0	0,9092	0,4187	0,4187	0,3750
10	146,0	0,9222	0,3798	0,3798	0,3500
11	187,0	0,9319	0,3497	0,3497	0,3295
12	239,0	0,9403	0,3223	0,3223	0,3065
13	305,0	0,9477	0,2971	0,2850	0,2835
14	390,0	0,9544	0,2737	0,2737	0,2610
15	498,0	0,9602	0,2523	0,2523	0,2480
16	635,0	0,9653	0,2327	0,2327	0,2327

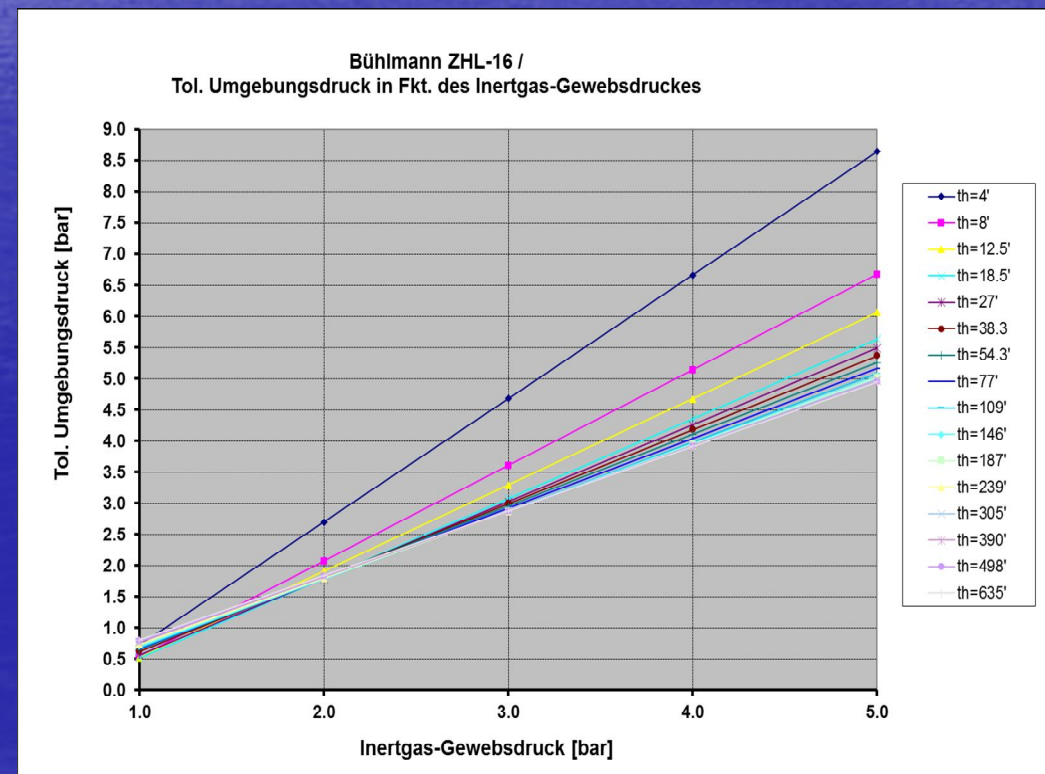
- A verified set of 16 tissue group halftimes and their factors a, b for air with adaption to table- and computer use.
- A similar set exists for Helium.
- With more than 1 inert gas breathed, resulting factors a, b are calculated on the base of their momentary tissue pressures.

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The Linear Perfusion Models ZHL12/16 (3b)

The new System ZHL-16 (as published)

	HWZ (tH)	Letter	a	b
#	[min]	Code	[bar]	[---]
1	th=4'	A	1.2599	0.5050
2	th=8'	B	1.0000	0.6514
3	th=12.5'	C	0.8618	0.7222
4	th=18.5'	D	0.7562	0.7825
5	th=27'	E	0.6667	0.8126
6	th=38.3	F	0.5600	0.8434
7	th=54.3'	G	0.4947	0.8693
8	th=77'	H	0.4500	0.8910
9	th=109'	I	0.4187	0.9092
10	th=146'	J	0.3798	0.9222
11	th=187'	K	0.3497	0.9319
12	th=239'	L	0.3223	0.9403
13	th=305'	M	0.2850	0.9477
14	th=390'	N	0.2737	0.9544
15	th=498'	O	0.2523	0.9602
16	th=635'	P	0.2327	0.9653

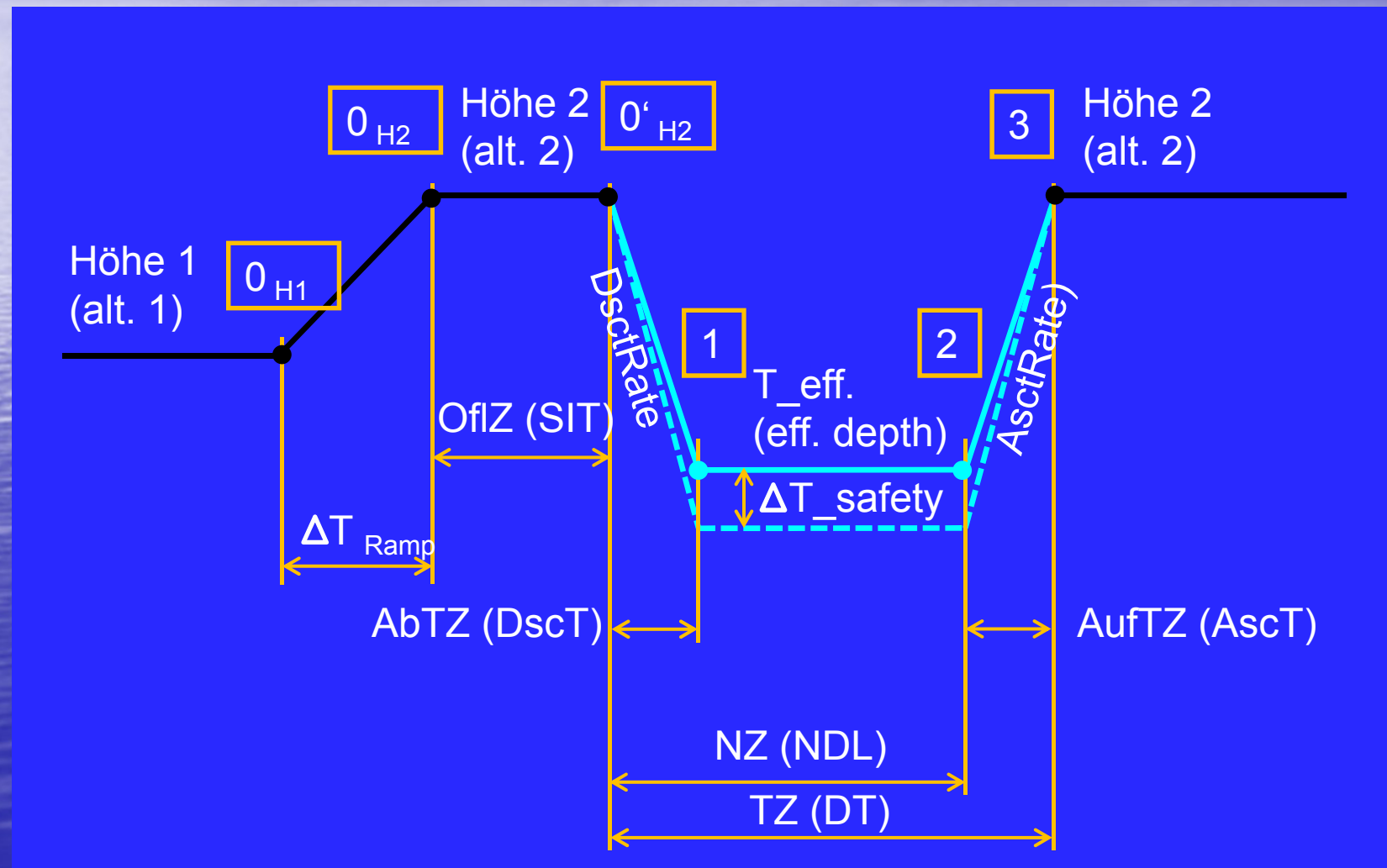


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Parametric NDL calculations today

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Parametric NDL calculations today.... (1)



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Parametric NDL calculations today.... (2)

in Abhängigkeit von der Abstiegs- u. Aufstiegsrampe,
der Höhe und des Atemgasgemisches während des TG's

Physikalische Konstanten und Atemgas								
alf_N2surf	0.790	--	dp_H2O/dT	1.0000	bar/10m	p_H2O	0.0628	bar
alf_N2TG	0.790	--	k_resp	0.8	--	p_CO2	0.0533	bar
Umgebungsbedingungen								
Höhe 1	0	m ü.M.	psurf_H1	1.0132	bar	p_alv-N2_H1	0.7613	bar
dt_Ramp12	0	min	dpN2/dt_R	99999.999	bar/min			
Höhe 2	0	m ü.M.	psurf_H2	1.0132	bar	p_alv-N2_H2	0.7613	bar
dt_Adapt2	0	min				p_alv-N2_H2TG	0.7613	bar
						pO2_H2TG	0.2024	bar
Gewebemodell (ZHL-12)					Max. Gewebewerte			
nr.	tH	a	b	k	pTIGmax1	pTIGmax2		
--	min	bar	--	1 / min	bar	bar		
1	4.0	1.9000	0.8000	0.173287	3.1665	3.1665		
2	8.0	1.4500	0.8000	0.086643	2.7165	2.7165		
3	12.5	1.0300	0.8000	0.055452	2.2965	2.2965		
4	18.5	0.8820	0.8260	0.037467	2.1086	2.1086		
5	27.0	0.7170	0.8450	0.025672	1.9161	1.9161		
6	38.3	0.5750	0.8600	0.018098	1.7531	1.7531		
7	54.3	0.4680	0.8700	0.012765	1.6326	1.6326		
8	77.0	0.4410	0.9030	0.009002	1.5630	1.5630		
9	109.0	0.4150	0.9080	0.006359	1.5309	1.5309		
10	146.0	0.4160	0.9390	0.004748	1.4950	1.4950		
11	187.0	0.3690	0.9460	0.003707	1.4400	1.4400		
12	239.0	0.3690	0.9460	0.002900	1.4400	1.4400		
13	305.0	0.2550	0.9620	0.002273	1.3082	1.3082		
14	390.0	0.2550	0.9620	0.001777	1.3082	1.3082		
15	498.0	0.2550	0.9620	0.001392	1.3082	1.3082		
16	635.0	0.2550	0.9620	0.001092	1.3082	1.3082		

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Parametric NDL calculations today.... (3)

Tiefe_nominell				18.0 m	
ptot_Tnomin [H2]				2.7315 bar	
pN2_Tnomin [H2]				2.1188 bar	
pO2_Tnomin [H2]				0.5632 bar	

Beachte: Tauchgang findet auf Höhe 2 statt !

ABstieg:		dt_dsct		0.60000 min		--> v_dsct		30.00000 m/min		dpN2/dt_Dsct		2.37 bar/min	
AUFstieg:		v_asct		10.000 m/min		-> dt_asct		1.80000 min		dpN2/dt_Asct		-0.79 bar/min	

nr.	pTIG0_H1	pTIG0_H2	pTIG0_H2'	PTIG1	pTIG2'	NZ_th'	pTIG2	pTIG3	pT3/pmax2	pT3/pmax2
--	bar	bar	bar	bar	bar	min	bar	bar	[H1] %	[H2] %
1	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.8264	3.6843	9999.99	2.2403	2.0073	63.4	65.5
2	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7944	2.8212	9999.99	2.2221	2.1019	77.4	80.4
3	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7826	2.2782	9999.99	2.1514	2.0796	90.6	94.8
4	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7758	2.0523	55.37	2.0188	1.9785	93.8	98.4
5	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7713	1.8391	51.15	1.8376	1.8180	94.9	99.9
6	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7683	1.6666	52.65	1.6492	1.6413	93.6	99.0
7	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7663	1.5418	59.10	1.4658	1.4644	89.7	95.2
8	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7648	1.4737	73.32	1.3030	1.3047	83.5	88.6
9	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7638	1.4413	97.15	1.1687	1.1714	76.5	81.3
10	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7632	1.4081	121.42	1.0776	1.0804	72.3	76.7
11	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7628	1.3533	138.26	1.0146	1.0172	70.6	75.1
12	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7625	1.3534	176.64	0.9635	0.9658	67.1	71.3
13	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7622	1.2226	164.78	0.9222	0.9242	70.6	75.5
14	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7620	1.2227	210.70	0.8887	0.8904	68.1	72.8
15	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7619	1.2229	269.04	0.8621	0.8634	66.0	70.6
16	0.7613	0.7613	0.7613	0.7618	1.2230	343.05	0.8409	0.8420	64.4	68.8

Minimum aller NZ:		51.15	min
(abgerundete) NZ:		51.00	min

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Parametric NDL calculations today.... (4)

Step 1

Tiefe: 18m		untere Höhenlage 1: 0m		Adaption Höhe 1: vollständig	
		obere Höhenlage 2: 0m		Adaption Höhe 2: vollständig	

		Aufstiegs-Geschwindigkeit (m/min)						
		5	10	15	20	25	30	9999
Abstiegs-Geschwindigkeit (m/min)	5	60.33	57.84	57.08	56.71	56.49	56.35	55.65
	10	59.35	55.24					54.67
	15	59.02						54.35
	20	58.86						54.18
	25	58.76						54.09
	30	58.70						54.02
	9999	58.37	55.88	55.12	54.76	54.54	54.39	53.70

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Step 2

Tiefe: 18m		untere Höhenlage 1: 700m		Adaption Höhe 1: vollständig				
		obere Höhenlage 2: 700m		Adaption Höhe 2: vollständig				
		Aufstiegs-Geschwindigkeit (m/min)						
		5	10	15	20	25	30	9999
Abstiegs-Geschwindigkeit (m/min)	5	56.54						52.56
	10							
	15							
	20							
	25	52.00						
	30							
	9999	54.59						50.61

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**Parameters for
Bühlmann `86
Air Diving Tables
and later developments**

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Parameters for Bühlmann '86 Air Diving Tables and later developments (1)

Table Calculation Parameters (English version)

Specifications for the Calculation of the Bühlmann '86 Air Diving Tables

Compartment model: ZHL-12 and later ZHL-16; partially used in parallel during tests
Number of compartments: 12, resp. 16
Pairs of coefficients: ZHL-12: 16 half times, with a total of 12 pairs of coefficients for N₂ and He
ZHL-16: one pair of (different) coefficients a, b for every compartment

Remark: during the high altitude tests, profiles have been calculated with both sets of coefficients. In-water, generally the longer NDL and the shorter stop times were used.

Tolerated ambient pressure: $p_{amb, tol}(tH) = (p_{TN2}(tH) - a(tH)) \cdot b(tH)$
Letter coding of RG: in alphabetical order A-P; RG at end of dive = letter code of leading compartment; in case the next following compartment was also saturated to 95% or more, then the letter code of this compartment was used.

Physical and physiological parameters:

In-water pressure rise: as a matter of simplicity, $f_{H_2O} = 0.10$ bar/m H₂O was assumed (average between fresh- and saltwater)

Alveolar p_{N2alv} : calculated under inclusion of
-alveolar water vapor pressure (0.06028 bar),
-alveolar CO₂ pressure p_{CO2} (0.0533 bar) and
-respiratory coefficient QR (0.80); later changed to 1.0, therefore p_{CO2} drops from equation; no consequences

Tissue adaption 0-700m: complete adaption and tissue saturation at 0m, NDL and stop times corresponding to surface pressure at 700m a.s.l.

Tissue adaption 701-2500m: complete adaption auf 700m a.s.l., ride for 1 hr to 2500m a.s.l., immediate dive

Altitude ranges:

Range segmentation: two ranges: 0-700m a.s.l. and 701-2500m a.s.l. (least number of tables)
Surface pressure at altitude: according to ISO/IATA formula for standard atmosphere
Surface pressure at sea level: standard atmosphere; $p_{surf-0} = 1.013$ bar

Composition of air:

Inspiratory O₂ fraction: 20.8%
Inspiratory N₂ fraction: 79.2%

Dive profile for calculation:

Increments of dive depths: 3m/10ft as used internationally
Segmentation of last deco stop: 3m divided in 2m/4m for upper altitude range table for reasons of more moderate pressure gradients

Descent ramp of dive: for depths down to 18m: rectangular profile; deeper depths: a fixed descent rate of 30m/min

Ascent ramp of dive: fixed ascent rate of 10m/min, for all depths; exact value for inert gas calculations, published value in table rounded to the next full minute

Safety margin for depth: fixed 1m, variable 3%; $T_{res} = T_{ref} \times 1.03 + 1$; NO margins for test dives!

Safety Stop:

Safety stop: for all dives within the NDL 1/3m (0-700m a.s.l.), resp. 1/2m (701-2500m a.s.l.); there is no desaturation-related reason behind, but more a regulatory policy.

Decompression Stops:

Ascent to next stop depth: always included in the stage stop time
Profile within stages: rectangular profile within stages
Depth of stages: without additional safety margins

Specifications for the Calculation of the Bühlmann '86 Air Diving Tables

Surface Interval (SI) table:

Breathing gas: exclusively air
Waiting time until RG "0": time until all compartments are desaturated from maximum tolerated tissue inert gas pressure to at least 5% above surface alveolar inert gas pressure. Fixed minimal waiting time is 2 hrs; thus, all compartments up to 20min half time are desaturated to 97% or more.

Rounding: for desaturation to RG "0": always to the next longer full hour

Shunt effects: For switch to next lower RG: always to the next full minute
no effects included during the desaturation process

Residual Nitrogen Time (RNT) table:

Residual Nitrogen Time: for reasons of simplicity in handling just one table, valid for the whole range up to 2500m a.s.l.

Calculation: based on a comparative analysis of the states of compartments at the end of all dive profiles contained in the table.

Rounding: always to the next full minute

Waiting Times for Flying after Diving in pressurized Aircraft:

Waiting time until flying: calculation under the assumption of a timeless ascent (rectangular profile), not taking in account for the ongoing desaturation during the ascent ramp to cruising altitude.

Assumed cabin pressure: Fixed minimal waiting time is 2 hrs; thus, all compartments up to 20min half time are desaturated to 97% or more.

0.58bar (approx. 4600m a.s.l.); value slightly below the lowest acceptable cabin pressure not yet classified as a technical failure (IATA). Normal are pressures are between 0.75-0.8bar (approx. 2000m-2400m a.s.l. at a cruising altitude of 35'000 to 39'000ft)

Remarks: latest generation aircrafts (Boeing Dreamliner) use a minimal cabin pressure at cruising altitude corresponding approx. to 1800m a.s.l. always to the next longer full hour

Rounding:

Crossing a Pass and Flying after Diving in non-pressurized aircraft:

Waiting time: minimum 1 hr at diving altitude before any further ascent, afterwards a steady ascent to target altitude, arrival not before indicated waiting time.

Surface ambient pressures: calculated according to ISO/IATA standard atmosphere; for the highest indicated altitude (4000m/0.615bar), the same waiting time was taken as for flying in a pressurized cabin (4600m/0.58bar).

Rounding: always to the next longer half hour

Table for Lake Titicaca (3800m a.s.l.):

Basis (and specifications): This table was a „customized“ version for the diving expedition of a scientific diving detachment of the British Rhine Army.

Upper operation limit: Full adaption of all tissues to lake altitude assumed.
4500m a.s.l. (calculation altitude)

Remaining parameters: identical to those of lower altitude range tables

Rounding:

Calculated NDL: generally rounded to the next lower minute

Calculated stop times: generally rounded to the next higher minute (under usage of CS (common sense))

Ascent times to 1st deco stop: published values on table always rounded to the next full minute (reasons of practicability); exact value for inert gas tissue loading calculations

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Parameters for Bühlmann '86 Air Diving Tables and later developments (2)

Table Calculation Parameters (German version)

Tabellen-Berechnungsparameter zu den Bühlmann '86 Tauchtabellen

Kompartimentsmodell: Anzahl Kompartimente Koeffizientensätze	ZHL-12, später ZHL-16; z.T. beide parallel während den Tests eingesetzt 12, resp. 16 ZHL-12: 16 Halbwertszeiten, mit insgesamt 12 Koeffizientenpaaren für N ₂ und He ZHL-16: je ein Satz Koeffizienten a, b pro Halbwertszeit Anmerkung: bei Höhentauchversuchen wurden die Profile jeweils mit beiden Koeffizientensätzen gerechnet und die jeweils längeren Nullzeiten, resp. kürzeren Stoppzeiten getaucht.
Tolerierter Umgebungsdruck Buchstaben-Codierung	$p_{amb.tol}(tH) = (p_{TN2}(tH) - a(tH)) \cdot b(tH)$ alphabetisch A-P; RG am Ende des TG = Code des führenden Kompartimentes; falls nächstfolgendes Kompartiment ebenfalls zu 95% oder mehr aufgesättigt war, so wurde dessen Buchstabe verwendet.
Physikalische und physiologische Parameter: Drucksteigerungsfaktor H ₂ O Alveolärer p _{N₂} alv Vorsättigung 0-700m Vorsättigung 701-2500m Höhenlagen: Aufteilung Oberflächendruck Druck auf Meereshöhe Luftzusammensetzung: Inspiratorischer O ₂ -Anteil Inspiratorischer N ₂ -Anteil Tauchprofil zur Berechnung: Tiefeninkremente Aufteilung letzte Dekostufe TG-Abstiegsrampe TG-Aufstiegsrampe TG-Rampenberechnung Tiefenzuschlag Sicherheitshalt: Sicherheitsstopp keinerlei entsättigungsbasierte Deko-Stopp: Aufstieg zur nächsten Stufe Profil innerhalb Stufen Stufentiefen	der Einfachheit halber wurde f _{H₂O} = 0.10 bar/m H ₂ O angenommen (Mittelwert zw. Süß- und Salzwasser) gerechnet mit Berücksichtigung von -Wasserdampfdruck (0.06028 bar), -alveolärer p _{CO₂} (0.0533 bar) und -Respirations-Koeffizient (0.80); später 1.0 verwendet, damit fällt p _{CO₂} aus der Gleichung weg; hat allerdings keine Auswirkungen vollständige Adaption auf 0m, Sättigung auf dieser Höhe, NZ und Dekozeiten entsprechend Oberflächendruck auf 700m vollständige Adaption auf 700m, Fahrt 1 Std. auf 2500m, sofortiger TG in 0-700m und 701-2500m (möglichst geringe Anzahl Tabellen) jeweils mit ISO/IATA Formel gerechnet (Standardatmosphäre) Standardatmosphäre; p _{surf-0} = 1.013bar 20.8% 79.2% 3m wie international üblich (10ft) 3m aufgeteilt in 2m/4m für Höhentabelle für kleinere Druck-Gradienten bei Tiefen bis 18m; Rechteckprofil; übrige Tiefen fix 30m/min fix 10m/min, alle Tiefen, exakter Wert für Inertgasberechnung; publizierter Tabellenwert immer auf nächste ganze Minute gerundet Alle Rampen mit der exakten Lösung der Differentialgleichung gerechnet fix 1m, variabel 3%: $T_{tab} = T_{gt} \times 1.03 + 1$; für Test-TG: KEINE Zuschläge! bei allen NZ-TG von 1/3m (0-700m ü.M.), resp. 1/2m (701-2500m ü.M.); Überlegung, sondern eher ordnungspolitischer Natur ist immer in Stufenzeit enthalten Rechteckprofil innerhalb Stufen ohne Tiefen-Zuschläge

Tabellen-Berechnungsparameter zu den Bühlmann '86 Tauchtabellen

Oberflächenintervall-Tabelle: Atemgas Wartezeit bis "0" Rundung Shunt Effekte Zeitzuschlag-tabelle: Zeitzuschlag-tabelle Berechnung Rundung Wartezeiten bis Fliegen MIT Druckkabine: Wartezeit bis Flug Annahme Kabinendruck Rundung Passfahrten und Fliegen OHNE Druckkabine: Wartezeit Oberflächendrücke Rundung Tabelle Titicacasee (3800m ü.M.): Grundlagen Obere Einsatzgrenze Übrige Parameter Rundungen: Erhaltene NZ Erhaltene Stoppzeiten Zeiten TG-Aufstiegsrampe	ausschließlich Luft Zeit bis alle Kompartimente vom max. tolerierten Inertgasdruck bis mindestens 5% über den alveolären Inertgasdruck an der Oberfläche entsättigt sind. Minimum Wartezeit aber 2 Std. fix; damit sind alle Kompartimente bis 20min HWZ zu mind. 97% entsättigt für Entsättigung zu RG „0“: immer auf nächste ganze Stunde für Wechsel in die nächst tiefere RG: immer auf ganze nächste Minute es wurden keine Shunt-Effekte während der Entsättigung berücksichtigt aus Gründen der einfachen Handhabung eine einzige Tabelle, gültig für gesamte Höhenlage bis 2500m ü.M. erfolgte aus der vergleichenden Analyse der Kompartimentszustände am Ende sämtlicher in der Tabelle enthaltenen Tauchgangprofile immer auf nächste ganze Minute Berechnung erfolgt auf Basis eines zeitlosen Aufstiegs (Rechteckprofil), d.h. ohne Berücksichtigung der laufenden Entsättigung während der Rampe bis zum Erreichen der Flughöhe Minimum Wartezeit aber 2 Std. fix; damit sind alle Kompartimente bis 20min HWZ zu mind. 97% entsättigt 0.58bar (ca. 4600m); liegt ganz wenig unter dem tiefst möglichen Druck gem. IATA, der noch nicht als technischer Defekt gilt (0.60bar). Normal sind ca. 0.75-0.8bar (ca. 2000-2400m auf Flughöhe 35'000 bis 39'000ft) Anmerkung: bei Flugzeugen neuerer Generation (Boeing Dreamliner) versucht man den minimalen Kabinendruck auf Reiseflughöhe entsprechend ca. 1800m ü.M. einzuhalten. immer auf nächste ganze Stunde mind. 1 Std. auf bisheriger Höhe vor Aufstieg, anschließend gleichmäßiger Aufstieg; Ankunft nicht vor Ablauf angegebene Wartezeit wurden exakt nach ISO Standardatmosphäre gerechnet; für die grösste angegebene Höhe (4000m/0.615bar) wurde dieselbe Wartezeit angegeben wie für den Flug mit Druckkabine (4600m/0.58bar). immer auf nächste halbe Stunde Diese Tabelle war eine „Einzelanfertigung“ für die Expedition der brit. Rheinarmee; es wurde eine vollständige Adaption am Tauchort vorausgesetzt 4500m ü.M. (Berechnungshöhe) alle übrigen wie die „normalen“ Tabellen in der Regel auf nächst ganze Minute abgerundet in der Regel auf nächst ganze Minute aufgerundet (unter Anwendung GMV [gesunder Menschenverstand]) publizierte Werte auf Tabelle immer auf ganze nächste Minute aufgerundet (Praktikabilität); für Inertgasberechnung aber exakter Wert verwendet
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**Results and
consequences
(details)**

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Results and Consequences (1)

3.1 retrospective studies

type of dive	number of test series	number of test persons
=====	=====	=====
simulated air dives:		
- single dives, 30-44m	31	457
- repetitive dives	9	166
- altitude decompression after a dive	14	190
simulated dives on Heliox, O ₂		
- single dives, 30-35m	11	159
- deep diving, 80-575m	24	193
- altitude decompression after a dive	1	15

3.2 prospective studies

During 1986 - 1988, 498 real open water dives at altitudes from 1400 - 3800m and depths from 12 - 60m have been carried out analysed.

3.3 repetitive-dive trials

- 127 divers, 127 second dives, 39 third dives
depth range: 32-44m, bottom times: 13'-60',
surface intervals: 10'-120'

3.4 open water high altitude tests

- Lake Titicaca, Peru, 1987 / 3800m
17 divers, 3 weeks, 290 dives, 12-39m (no symp.)
- Muttsee, Switzerland, 1988 / 2500m
15 divers, 2 days, 56 dives, 24 - 52m (2 mild
skin bends, 2 muscles)
- Mount Kenia Massiv, 1988, 4400-4780m
18 dives (no symptoms)
- High altitude trials in the St.Gotthard region,
1984-1988, 2134m
40-50 diver, approx. 60 dives (no symptoms)

3.5 some other relevant data ..

- highest altitude in chamber : 4200m
- used breathing gases : air, nitrox, heliox,
oxygen-decompression
- deepest dive : 575m for 2 hrs, 1981
- saturation diving: depth range from 30 - 220m

3.6 practical applications (ref. also to Part II / 7.)

- construction subway Muenich, 1983-85
1.6-2.1 bar, 6-8 hrs/day, 5days/week; bends rate
6/850 "dives" (down from 48/1377 while using
German Tables from the Ministry of Health&Labour)
- railway construction work near Bern by Swiss
Federal Railway Comp. 1988-91
1.2-1.6 bar for 4-6 hrs a day
- dive tables in use in England, Germany, Switzer-
land, Austria, Peruvian-and Bolivian Navy (appr.
40-50'000 divers overall since 1986)
- several dive computers (since 1984/85)

All data from the period of 1981-1991

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3.7 Selected Trials: High Altitude Tests St.Gotthard, 1986 (Lago di Lucendro)

altitude : 2134m above sea level
adaption time: 4 hrs
first dive

team # 3 div. each	depth [m]	bott. time [min]	deco accord. T86			effective deco-time 2m
			6m	4m	2m tot.	
1	33	18	--	2	5	7
2	36	16	--	4	6	10
3	37	15	--	4	6	10
4	32	15	--	-	3	3

second dive; surface interval: 60 minutes

team # 3 div. each	depth [m]	bott. time [min]	deco accord. T86			effective deco-time 2m
			6m	4m	2m tot.	
4	32	15	1	4	9	14

3.8 Selected Trials: High Altitude Tests Muttsee (1988)

altitude : 2500m above sea level
adaption time: 2 hrs
first dive

profile	method	decompression				total
		9m	6m	4m	2m	
39m / 18'	effective	--	--	2	3	5
	acc. T86	--	2	3	7	12
45m / 18'	effective	--	2	3	4	9
	acc. T86	2	3	4	11	20
60m / 15'	effective	4	3	4	8	19
	acc. T86	5	5	8	18	36

3.8 Selected Trials: Comparison of Open Water Tests at low altitudes (Lake of Zuerich)

altitude: 400m above sea level
T86 : Buehlmann table '86, 0-700m

	depth [m]	bottom time [min]	decompression stages				total asct time	Sympt./ dives
			12m	9m	6m	3m		
T86	30	17				1	4	
experiment	32	20				-	3	0/15
T86	33	14				1	4	
experiment	35	18				-	3	0/12
T86	39	10				1	5	
experiment	41	13				-	4	0/12
T86	39	20			3	7	13	
experiment	41	23			3	5	11	0/16
T86	39	30		3	7	18	31	
experiment	41	33		3	5	15	26	0/16
T86	39	40	2	6	15	29	55	
experiment	41	40	2	5	13	27	50	0/24
T86	42	36	2	7	15	32	59	
experiment	44	35	2	5	11	26	47	0/20
experiment	44	37	3	5	12	28	51	0/9

(courtesy Prof. Buehlmann)

unknown no. of 14 divers,
123 dives, 30-44m, BT=10-40min

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Results and Consequences (3)

3. MUTTSEE - VERSUCHS - TG

a) Uebersichtszahlen

Anz. TG: ZHL-12: 41 Tiefen: min.: 33m Zeiten: min.: 12'
 ZHL-16: 11 max.: 60m max.: 25'

TOTAL : 52

Anz. versch. ZHL-12: 12 Erst.-TG: ZHL-12: 22 Rep.TG: ZHL-12: 19
Profile : ZHL-16: 2 ZHL-16: 6 ZHL-16: 5

TOTAL : 14 TOTAL : 28 TOTAL : 24

Geschlecht	Anz.	Erst.TG	Rep.TG	Total
Maenner	11	22	19	41
Frauen	3	6	5	11

* Total	14	28	24	* 52 *

b) Nullzeitenvergleiche

Tiefe [m]	T86/2500	ZHL-12 *) (6 Std.)	ZHL-16 *) (6 Std.)
30	15'	20.4'	18.5
33	12'	17.3'	15.2
36	10'	15.0'	12.9
39	9'	13.3'	11.2
42	8'	11.8'	9.9

*) 3' Abstieg einberechnet

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3. MUTTSEE - VERSUCHS - TG

c) Vergleiche von ERST-TG

Höhe: 2500m

Profil	Methode	Dekompression				Total
		9m	6m	4m	2m	
39m / 18'	effektiv	--	--	2	3	5
	nach T86	--	2	3	7	12
45m / 18'	effektiv	--	2	3	4	9
	nach T86	2	3	4	11	20
60m / 15'	effektiv	4	3	4	8	19
	nach T86	5	5	8	18	36

d) Vergleiche von REPETIV-TG

1. TG	Int.	2. TG	M	Dekompression					Tot.
				12m	9m	6m	4m	2m	
60m/15'	180'	60m	E	--	1	2	3	4	10
		8' + 15'	T86	2	4	3	6	14	29
57m/12'	210'	60m	E	--	4	3	4	8	19
		11' + 4'	T86	4	4	4	9	19	40
45m/18'	277'	42m	E	--	--	--	3	4	7
		13' + 6'	T86	--	1	3	3	10	17

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3. MUTTSEE - VERSUCHS - TG =====

e) PROBLEMKOMBINATION

Anmerkung: effektive Dekompressionsplaene
berechnet mit Koeffizienten
ZHL-16/A

ERST-TAUCHGANG:

Profil	Meth.	9m	6m	4m	2m	Tot.	HWZ	DCS n/d
39m/25' (AZ=3')	eff.	--	3	5	7	15	18.5, 27.0,	0/6
	T86	3	3	7	16	29	38.3	

No DCS for this depth/time
combination

REPETIV-TAUCHGANG:

Int.	Profil	Meth.	9m	6m	4m	2m	Tot.	HWZ	DCS n/d
99'		eff.	-	--	3	5	8		1/2
		T86	3	6	12	23	44		
103'	alle	eff.	-	--	3	5	8		1/1
	33m/25'	T86	3	6	12	20	41		
117'	(AZ=3')	eff.	-	--	3	5	8		2/2
		T86	3	6	12	20	41		

Here, it looks differently....
Reason: most probably the shunt
effects with delayed desaturation!

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3. MUTTSEE - VERSUCHS - TG

f) Führende Kompartimente b. Ausstieg
(nur Erst-TG)

Höhe : 2500m

Umgebungsdruck: $p_{amb.} = 0.741$ bar (ISO)

alv. N₂-Druck : $p_{alv.N_2} = 0.537$ bar

Anmerkung: Es wurden nur diejenigen Faelle beruecksichtigt, bei denen der Inertgas-Kompartimentsdruck beim Ausstieg mind. 95% des maximal zulaessigen Wertes (s. unten) betrug.

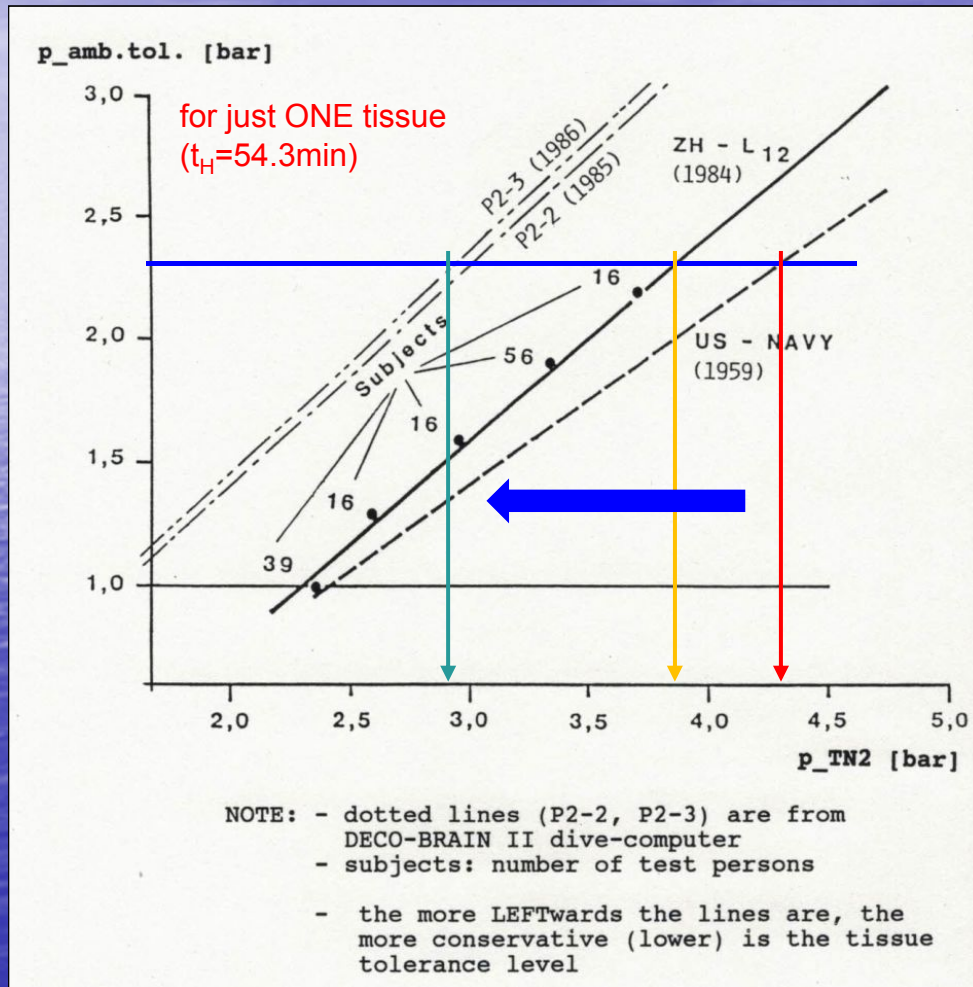
Halb- werts- zeit- Nummer	Halb- werts- zeit [min]	ZH-12 max. p _{tN2} [bar]	ZH-16 max. p _{tN2} [bar]	fuehrend bei folgenden TG	System ZHL-12 /T86 Anzahl	System ZHL-16 / A * Anzahl	Total
#3	12.5	1.957	1.888	#1,2,3,4, 5,6,7,8, 9,10	20	0	20
#4	18.5	1.779	1.703	#1,2,3,5,6 7,8,9,10, 12,13,14*	19	6	25
#5	27.0	1.594	1.579	#3,5,6,7, 8,9,10,11 12,13,14*	16	6	22
#6	38.3	1.437	1.438	#7,8,9,11, 12,13,14*	8	6	14
#7	54.3	1.320	1.347	#11	2	0	2

* : ZHL-16/A nur bei TG #12,13,14

„problematic“
tissues (skin,
muscles)

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Careful analysis of hundred of dive profiles executed with dive computers led to a refinement of the underlying set of coefficients towards higher tolerated ambient pressures (reduced gradients) for a given tissue inert gas pressure.

It also shows the dramatic change compared to US-Navy and the original ZHL-12 limits.

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Different Versions of the Bühlmann Compartment Model

Several versions of the Bühlmann algorithm have been developed, both by Bühlmann and by later workers. The naming convention used to identify the algorithms is a code starting ZH-L, from Zürich (ZH), linear (L) followed by the number of tissue compartments or pairs of coefficients, and other unique identifiers.

The term "linear" say that there is a linear functionality between the tissue inert gas pressure and the tolerated ambient pressure (the coefficients a, b describe a this linearity).

- ZHL-16 or ZH-L16A: The original 16 compartment algorithm (no conservatism at all).
- ZHL-16B: The 16 compartment algorithm modified for dive table production, using slightly more conservative "a" values, mainly in the middle compartments.[8] Recently used in dive computers with high performance processor units, is it more flexible (especially in tech dives) compared to the ZHL16C
- ZHL-16C: The 16 compartment algorithm with further modification to the middle and faster "a" values, intended for use in dive computers as a "package". It can be used with almost all low-level processor units but it is less flexible compared to the ZHL16B.
- ZHL-8: A version using a reduced number of tissue compartments to reduce the computational load for personal dive computers.
- ZHL-8 ADT: 8-compartment adaptive model used by Uwaterc. This model may reduce the no-stop limit or require the diver to complete a compensatory decompression stop after an ascent rate violation, high work level during the dive, or low water temperature. This algorithm is used in computers which can accurately monitor air consumption and instantaneous rate of air consumption to model work load (exertion) via changes in the rate of gas consumption, which allows plausible modelling of additional decompression obligation based on exertion at depth. It also monitors ambient temperature and selects the choice of risk tissue accordingly. This results in earlier and longer decompression requirements in colder water.[9][10]
- ZHL-8 ADT MB: A version of the ZHL-8 ADT claimed to suppress microbubble formation.[9]
- ZHL-8 ADT MB PDIS: Profile-Determined Intermediate Stops.[11]
- ZHL-8 ADT MB PMG: Predictive Multi-Gas.
- ZHL-16 ADT DD: 16-compartment adaptive model used by Uwaterc for their trimix-enabled computers. Modified in the middle compartments from the original ZHL-C, is adaptive to diver workload and includes Profile-Determined Intermediate Stops. Profile modification is by means of "MB Levels" rather than gradient factors[12]
- ZHL-12 original 16 tissue compartment model, but with just 12 pairs of coefficients

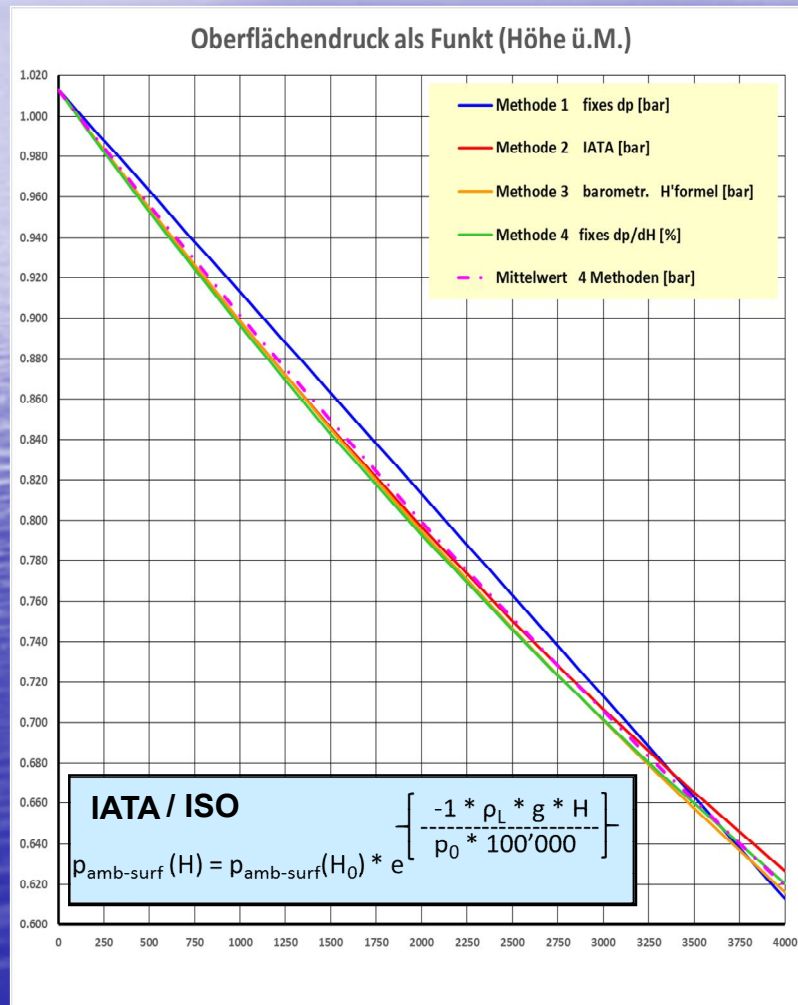
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Barometric Pressure as a function of Altitude

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Barometric Pressure as a function of Altitude



There are various methods (formulas) how to calculate the surface ambient pressure as a function of the altitude.

In aviation, the ambient pressure is a most critical value to calibrate altimeters.

Ambient pressure sea level = 1.013 bar.

For diver, the following assumption is fair enough:

- a) ambient pressure at sea level = 1.00 bar
- b) decrease of ambient pressure = 0.1 bar / 1000m altitude a.s.l., linear

Up to 4000m a.s.l., the error is neglectable.

The biggest deviation occurs at approximately 1800-2000m a.s.l. and is around 200m (0.02 bar).

For the calculation of the table, the ISO / IATA formula was used.

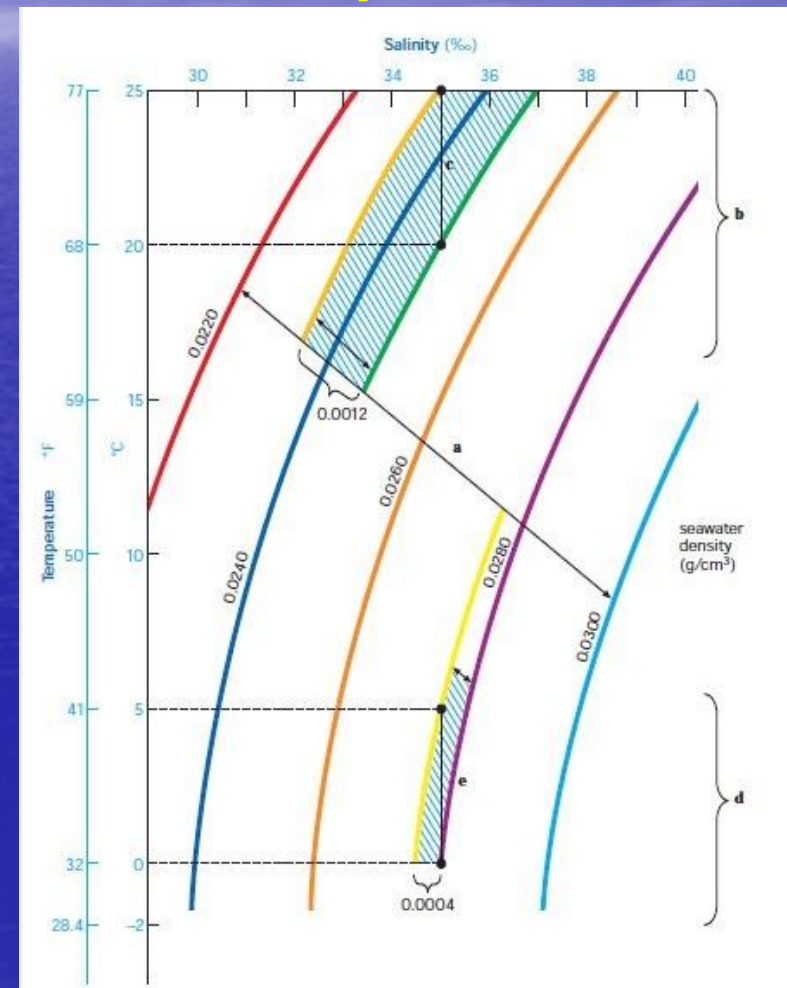
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Seawater density

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Seawater Density as Function of Temperature and Salinity

- The density of seawater is determined by temperature, pressure, and salinity.
- In the open ocean, the density of surface seawater varies between 1.022 and 1.03 grams per cubic centimeter (g/cm^3) (a).
- In tropical and subtropical regions (b) a 9°F (5°C) temperature difference (c) produces a density change of 0.0012 grams per cubic centimeter in seawater.
- In polar regions (d) a 9°F (5°C) temperature difference (e) produces a density change of only 0.0004 grams per cubic centimeter.
- In tropical and subtropical surface waters, temperature change has a greater influence on density, whereas in polar and cold temperate waters, salinity variation is of greater significance.
- In the open ocean, the relative densities of water bodies are of great importance. Relative density determines which will rise and which will fall. These vertical movements in turn influence biological productivity and generate vertical and horizontal currents.



Source: Marine Science; The Diagram Group

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1. Anzeigeeinrichtung für die Parameter eines Tauchganges, wie z. B. aktuelle Tiefe, maximal getauchte Tiefe, bisherige Tauchzeit oder dergleichen, die über
a) wenigstens einen Speicher für die Dekompressionsparameter bei einer Reihe von Tauchtiefen und -zeiten, und
b) eine Auswerte- und Verknüpfungsstufe für die gemessenen Werte des Tiefen- und des Zeitmessers mit dem in Speicher gespeicherten Werten angesteuert ist,
dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass in jedem Zeitpunkt des Tauchganges die in Abhängigkeit von den durchtauchten Tiefen und Zeiten erforderliche Gesamtaufstauchzeit inklusive der vorgeschriebenen Dekompressionshalte anzeigbar ist und/oder eine Wandlereinrichtung (5) für die Umwandlung der jeweils aktuellen Grundzeit (Verweilzeit in der jeweiligen Tauchtiefenstufe) beim Eintritt in eine neue Tauchtiefenstufe in die dieser neuen Tauchtiefenstufe äquivalente Grundzeit vorgesehen ist, die jener Zeit entspricht, während welcher der Taucher sich in der maximalen Tiefe seines Tauchprofils befunden hätte.
2. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 1, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass mit Hilfe der Wandlereinrichtung (5) auch der, vorzugsweise jeweils mit Hilfe eines Messgerätes (6) gemessene, Luftdruck berücksichtigbar ist.
3. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 2, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass ein einziger, vorzugsweise eine piezoresistive Messzelle aufweisender, Druckmesser (6) sowohl für den Luft- wie für den Wasserdruck mit der die Wandlereinrichtung (5) enthaltenden Schaltung verbunden ist.
4. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 3, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass der Messbereich des Druckmessers (6) jeweils für Luft- bzw. für Wasserdruckmessung mit Hilfe einer Schalteinrichtung (34) umschaltbar ist.
5. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass an den Ausgang des Druckmessers (6) eine Differenzierstufe (26) angeschlossen ist.
6. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 4 oder 5, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass die Schalteinrichtung (34) eine Sprungerkennungsstufe (35) für den Druck umfasst, die beispielsweise von der ist.
7. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 4, 5 oder 6, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass die Verknüpfungsstufe begrenzten Arbeitsbereiches - mit Hilfe der der Schalteinrichtung (34) gegenüber dem Eingang der nachgeschalteten Stufe, insbesondere des Analogwandler (40) nachgeschaltet ist.
8. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 7, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass eine durch umschaltbare Referenzspannungsquelle (24, 24', 24'') vorgesehene ist, der zwei Wandler (22) nachgeschaltet ist.
9. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 4 bis 8, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass zumindest einen FET-Schalter aufweist.
10. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 9, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass dem FET-Schalter gegenüber dem Eingang der nachgeschalteten Stufe, insbesondere des Analogwandler (40) nachgeschaltet ist.
11. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 10, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass eine Abnormfunktion durch eine aus einem Zeitgeber und aus einem Druck Detektorschaltung ein Warnsignal (12) und/oder eine Schleppwertanzeige (11) Tauchtiefe einschaltbar ist (sind).
12. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 11, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass einen Rechner (27) und Speicher für Grundzeiten und/oder Dekompressionszeiten aufweist.
13. Einrichtung nach Anspruch 12, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass die Tabellenspeicher (28) ist (sind).
14. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 13 dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass eine Speicherschaltung für die jeweils durchtauchten Tiefen und Zeiten, sowie ergebenden Korrekturwerte aufweist.
15. Einrichtung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 14, mit wenigstens einer Abnormfunktion - zur Anzeige verschiedener Angaben umschaltbar ist.
16. Einrichtung nach einem der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass eine Multivibratorschaltung zur getakteten Ansteuerung wenigstens einer Anzeige (10) aufweist.

Claims

Device for indicating the parameters of a dive, such as, for example, present or previous elapsed diving time or the like, which indicating device is driven through
a) at least one memory for the decompression parameters at a series of diving depths, and
b) an evaluation and logic stage for the measured values of the depth gauge stored in the memory,

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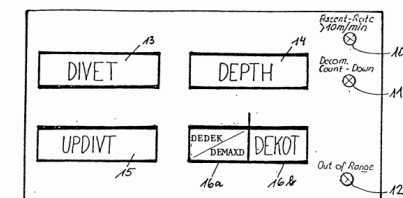


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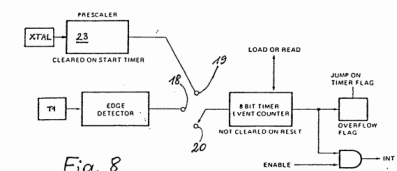


Fig. 8

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Tabelle: 1

Dekompressionstabelle für 0-700 m über Meer

Tiefe m	Tauchzeit min	Dekompressionshalte m 15 12 9 6 3	Repetitiv- gruppe
5	90	5	J
10	120	10	K
15	150	15	L
20	50	4	H
25	60	7	J
30	75	18	K
35	90	23	K
40	105	3 31	K
45	30	5	G
50	40	8	H
55	50	12	J
60	60	20	K
65	75	3 30	K
70	90	10 38	L
75	25	5	G
80	30	9	H
85	35	12	J
90	40	5 14	J
95	50	5 25	K
100	60	6 8 32	K
105	75	7 15 42	L
110	90	8 25 52	L
115	20	5	G
120	25	9	H
125	30	12	J
130	35	5 17	J
135	40	7 30	J
140	50	3 10 35	K
145	60	7 15 45	K
150	75	10 15 62	L
155	15	2 5	G
160	20	2 10	H
165	25	3 12	J
170	30	2 5 20	J
175	35	2 10 30	K
180	40	5 15 35	K
185	50	2 7 20 40	K
190	60	2 10 25 50	L

Tabelle: 2

		Nullzeittauchgrenzen								
m		9	12	15	18	20	25	30	35	40
min		200	75	50	30	25	20	15	10	

Tabelle 9:

Bsp. Punkt in

Tauchgang

Repetitiv-
gruppe

Tauch-
tiefe (m)

Gesamt-
tauchzeit
(min)

aktuelle
Tauchzeit
(min)

Äquivalente
Tauchzeit
(min bei a)

Nullzeitgrenze:
innerhalb: N
überschritten: U

Dekompression entsprechend
eines Tauchgang von
min bei a

Dekompressions-
halte (min) bei
9m 6m 3m

1A

n

33

14

14

14/35

N

-

-(ev.3)

b

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16

16

16/35

U

20 35

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34+19=53

53/20

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(herkömmlich:

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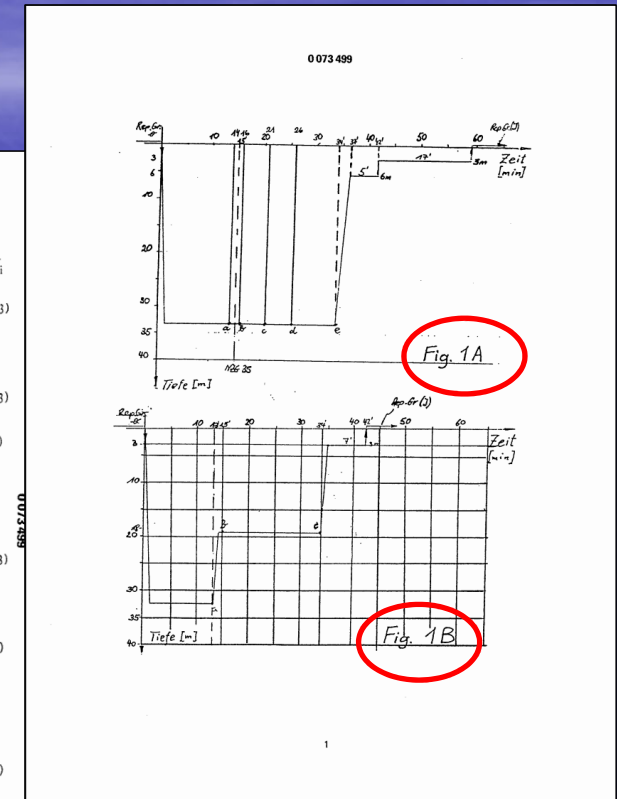
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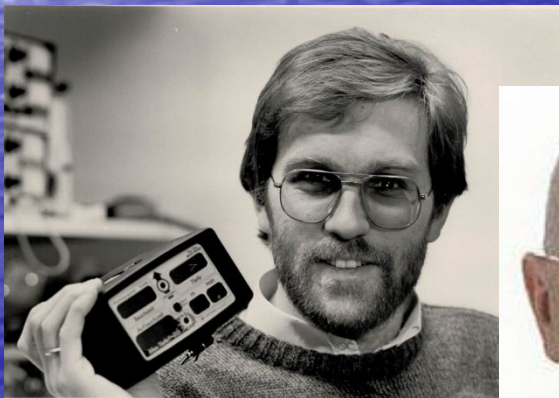
Program P1 (just reading out stored table values;
no real saturation- / desaturation calculation)

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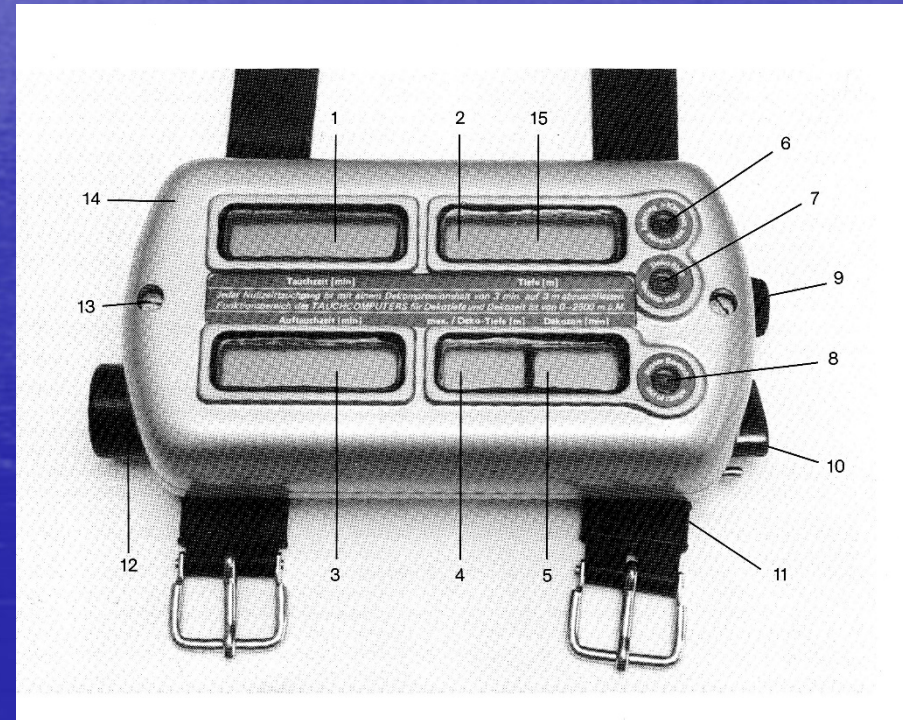
Deco Brain Trials(1a)



Prof. Dr. H. Hass († 16. June 2013)



Jürgen Hermann as young engineer († 2014)



The very first version; casing in aluminum

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Deco Brain Trials(1b)



advertising, technical specifications



complete set as sold

From program P2 on real saturation- / desaturation calculation, based on ZHL-12 (P2-1) and ZHL-16 (P2-2 and P2-3).

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approx. 1985-87; Pgm-versions:
P1: reading stored table values only
P2-2: real calculation with ZHL-16
P2-3: similar; more conservative



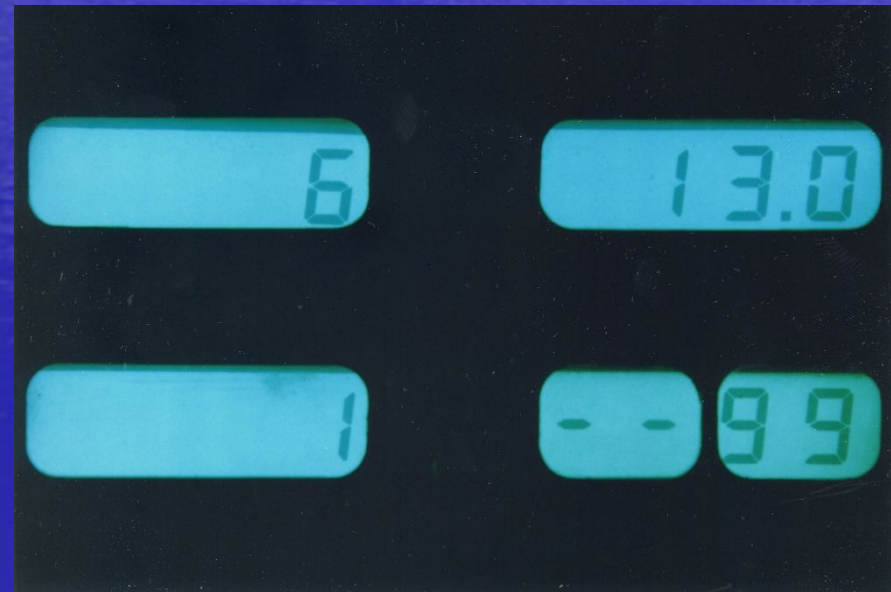
manual simulator

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version with backplate
illumination/ switch with
inside reed contact for
backplate illumination



backplate illumination in the
dark

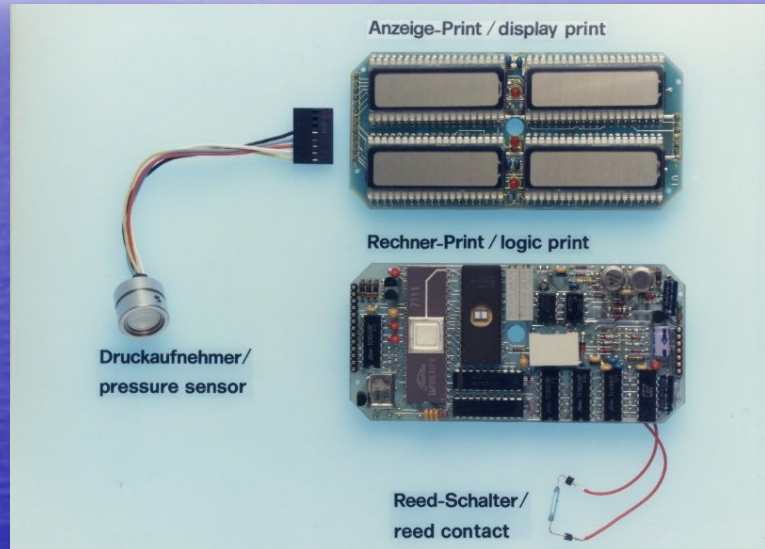
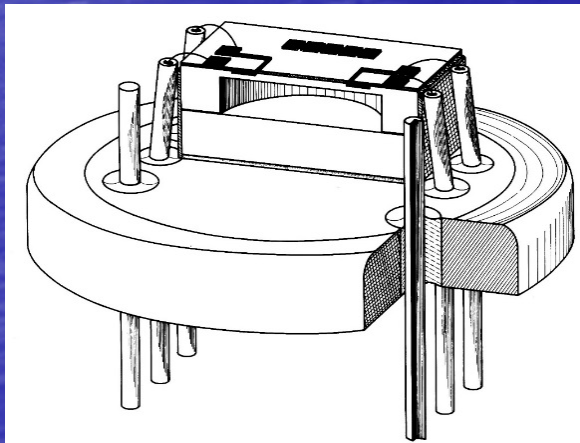
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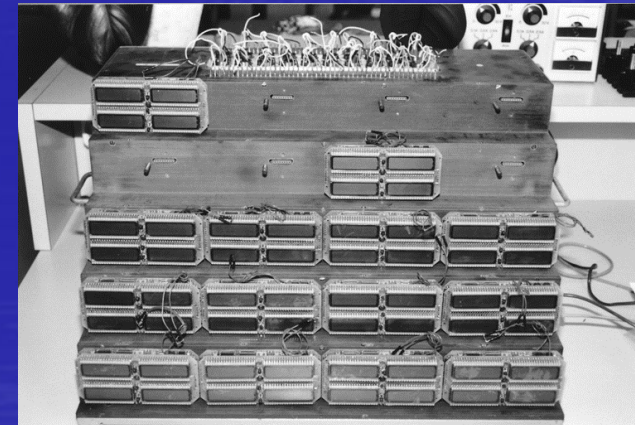


side length
approx. 4-5mm)

vacuum under
mebrane



display test rig



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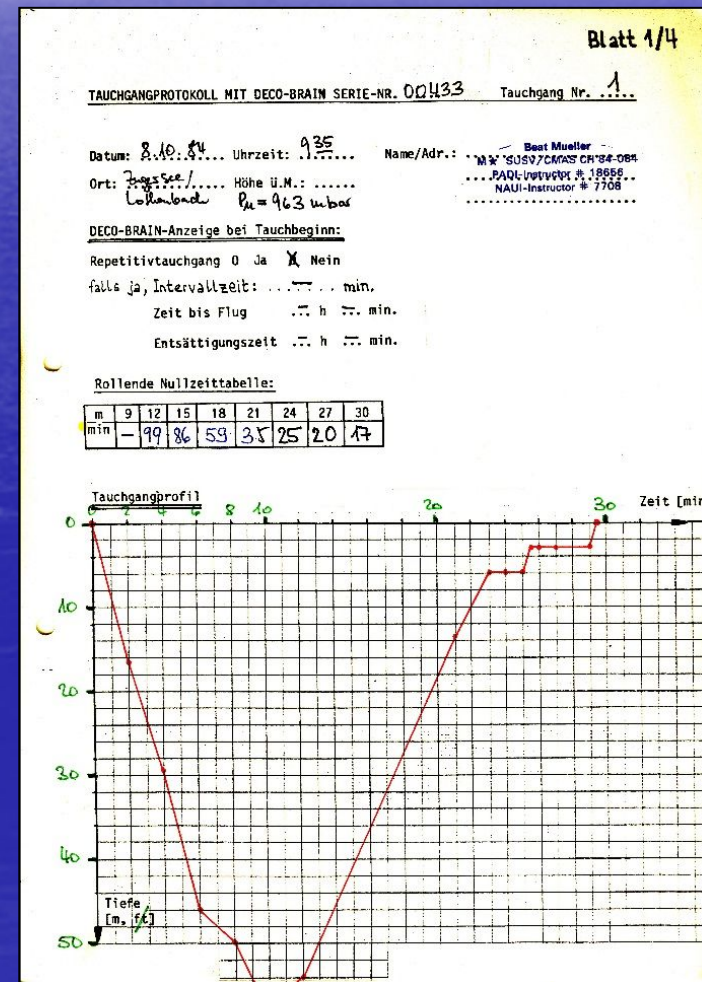
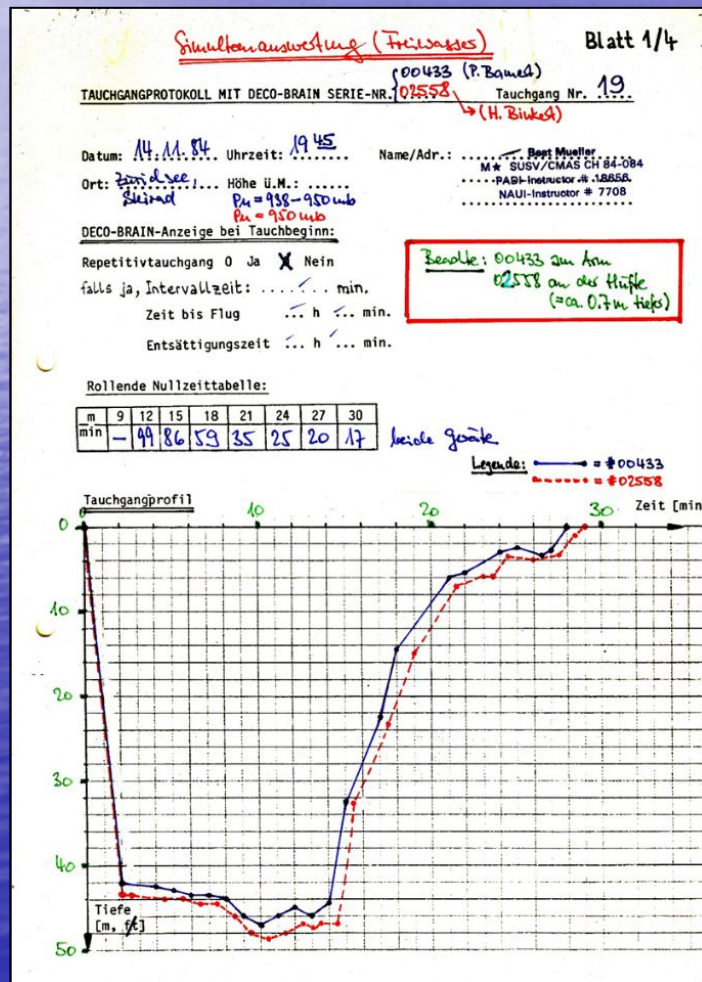
Deco Brain Trials(4)



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Deco Brain Trials(5)



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Deco Brain Trials(6)

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	Tiefe m	Abstieg min	Grundzeit min	Aufstieg 1. Stufe min	Stufen m 12 9 6 3	Gesamt min	Symptome
AA-13 Rpt.	41	2	11	—	— — — —	3.9	0/12
Deco-Brain	41	2	11	3.8	— — — 1	4.8	
Intervall	0		120				
2. Tauchgang	41	2	58	2.7	8 15 27 51	103.7	1/12 Haut
Deco-Brain	41	2	58	2.7	12 18 32 57	121.7	
AA-18 Rpt.	35	2	16	—	— — — —	3.3	0/12
Deco-Brain	35	2	16	3.3	— — — 2	5.3	
Intervall	0		30				
2. Tauchgang	35	2	20	3.0	— — — 13	16.0	2/12 Haut
Deco-Brain	35	2	20	2.9	— — 1 21	24.9	
AA-20 Rpt.	32	2	18	—	— — — —	3.0	0/12
Deco-Brain	32	2	18	2.9	— — — 1	3.9	
Intervall	0		10				
2. Tauchgang	32	2	22	2.4	— — 2 17	21.4	0/15
Deco-Brain	32	2	22	2.4	— — 2 25	29.4	
Intervall	0		20				
3. Tauchgang	32	2	13	2.7	— — — 15	17.7	2/15 Haut
Deco-Brain	32	2	13	2.7	— — — 18	20.7	
AA-35 Rpt.	44	3	32	3.0	2 5 11 26	47.0	0/20
Deco-Brain	44	3	32	3.0	2 5 16 30	56.0	
Intervall	0		90				
2. Tauchgang	38	3	23	3.0	— — 3 15	21.0	0/20
Deco-Brain	38	3	23	3.0	— — 3 23	29.0	
Intervall	0		90				
3. Tauchgang	41	3	22	3.3	— — 4 19	26.3	0/20
Deco-Brain	41	3	22	3.3	— 1 4 29	37.3	
AA-40 Rpt.	41	3	37	2.7	2 5 13 27	49.7*	0/24 * 12 Vp. kontinuierlich 42.7 min
Deco-Brain	41	3	37	2.7	1 6 15 31	54.7	
Intervall	0		120				
2. Tauchgang	41	3	30	2.7	2 4 6 27	41.7	1/24 Muskulatur
Deco-Brain	41	3	30	2.7	2 4 13 38	59.7	

Tabelle 1: Wiederholungstauchgänge. Vergleich der im Experiment durchgeführten Dekompressionen mit den Angaben des Deco-Brain (Programm P2-2)

	Tiefe m	Abstieg min	Grundzeit min	Aufstieg 1. Stufe min	Stufen m 15 12 9 6 3	Gesamt min	
AA-13 Rpt.	41	2	11	—	— — — —	3.9	
Deco-Brain	41	2	11	3.8	— — — 1	4.8	
ZH-83	41	2	11	3.6	— — — 2	9.6	Tab. 42 m 15 min
Intervall	0		120				
2. Tauchgang	41	2	58	2.7	8 15 27 51	103.7	
Deco-Brain	41	2	58	2.7	12 18 32 57	121.7	
ZH-83	41	2	58	2.7	7 13 22 31 51	126.7	Tab. 42 m 70 min
AA-40 Rpt.	41	3	37	2.7	— 2 5 13 27	49.7	
Deco-Brain	41	3	37	2.7	— 1 6 15 31	54.7	
ZH-83	41	3	37	2.6	1 3 8 16 31	61.6	Tab. 42 m 40 min
Intervall	0		120				
2. Tauchgang	41	3	30	2.7	— 2 4 6 27	41.7	
Deco-Brain	41	3	30	2.7	— 2 4 13 38	59.7	
ZH-83	41	3	30	2.6	1 3 8 16 31	61.6	Tab. 42 m 40 min

Tabelle 2: Wiederholungstauchgänge. Vergleich der real durchgeführten Dekompressionen mit den Angaben des Deco-Brain und der Tabelle ZH-83 für 0 bis 700 Meter über dem Meeresspiegel

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Decompression Problems in Space

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Decompression Problems in Space (1)

Implications of DCS in Space Flight

- Drop from sea level pressure to ~4 psi, 100% O₂ pressure
 - Equivalent to ascent from fully saturated 120 ft dive
 - Launch in early space flight
 - Extravehicular activity from shuttle or ISS

$$R = \frac{P_{N_2}}{P_{amb}} = \frac{14.7(0.78)}{4} = 2.87$$

- To have “safe” (R=1.4) EVA from shuttle requires suit pressure of 8.2 psi



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Decompression Problems in Space (2)

Current Denitrogenation Approaches

- Depress to 10.2 psi for 12-24 hours prior to EVA
 - Full cabin depress in shuttle
 - “Campout” in air lock module of ISS
- Exercise while breathing 100% O₂
- In-suit decompression on 100% O₂ (3.5-4 hours)



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Decompression Problems in Space (3)

Historical Data on Cabin Atmospheres

Program	Cabin Pressure, kPa (psia)	Cabin Oxygen Concentration, volume %	EVA Suit Pressure, ⁽¹⁾ kPa (psia)	EVA O ₂ Pre-breathe Time, minutes	EVA Prebreathe Conditions
Mercury	34.5 (5)	100	-	-	-
Gemini/Apollo	34.5 (5)	100	25.8 (3.75)	0	-
Skylab	34.5 (5)	70	25.8 (3.75)	0	-
Shuttle	70.3 (10.2)	26.5	29.6 (4.3)	40	In-suit (after 36 hours at 70.3 kPa)
	101.3 (14.7)	21	29.6 (4.3)	240 ⁽³⁾	In-suit
ISS/US	101.3 (14.7)	21	29.6 (4.3)	120-140	Mask and in-suit; staged w/exercise
				240 ⁽³⁾	In-suit
Salyut, Mir, ISS/Russian	101.3 (14.7)	21	40.0 (5.8) ⁽²⁾	30	In-suit

References: Carson, et al. (1975), McBarron, et al. (1993), Waligora, et al. (1993), NASA (2002), NASA (2003).

(1) 100% oxygen.

(2) In earlier versions of the Orlan suit, the pressure could be reduced to 26.5 kPa (3.8 psia) for short-duration work regime.

(3) Under emergency conditions, a minimum of 150 minutes of unbroken prebreathe is recommended.

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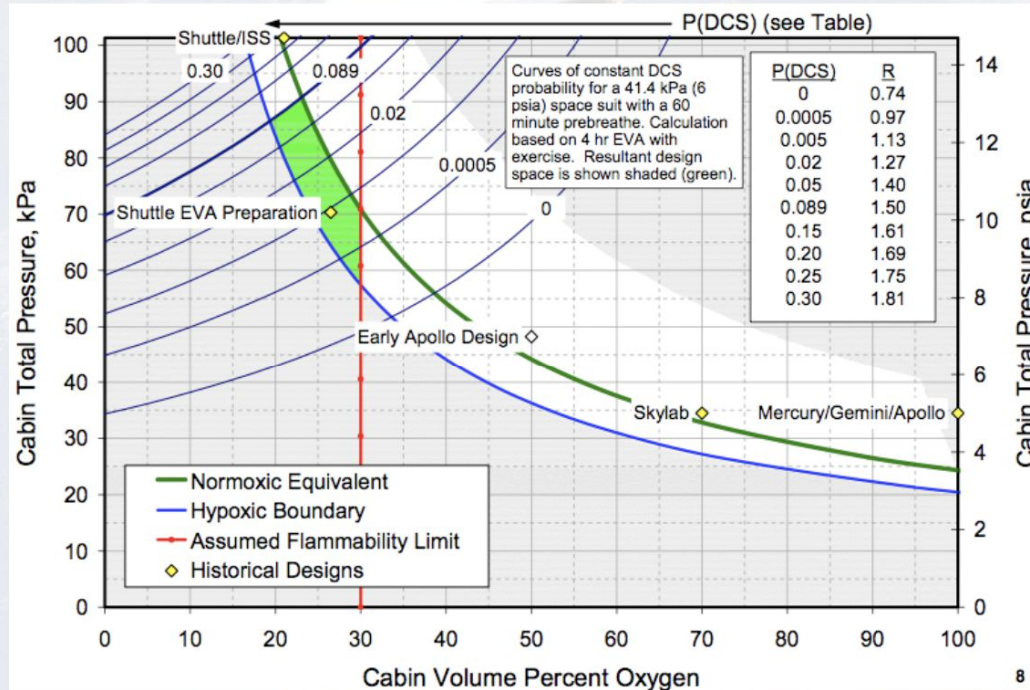
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Decompression Problems in Space (4)

Atmosphere Design Space with Constraints



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Decompression Problems in Space (5)

Constellation Spacecraft Atmospheres

Environment	P_B psia mmHg	$F_{I}O_2$ (%)	$P_{I}O_2$ mmHg	$P_{A}O_2$ mmHg	Actual Altitude m feet	Equivalent Air Altitude m feet
<u>CEV + LSAM</u>						
normal	8.0 414	32.0	117	77	4,877 16,000	1,829 6,000
best case	8.2 424	34.0	128	86	4,816 15,800	1,158 3,800
worse case	7.8 403	30.0	107	68	5,029 16,500	2,438 8,000
<u>HABITAT</u>						
normal	7.6 393	32.0	111	71	5,182 17,000	2,286 7,500
best case	7.8 403	34.0	121	80	5,029 16,500	1,524 5,000
worse case	7.4 383	30.0	101	63	5,364 17,600	2,895 9,500

from Scheuring et. al., "Risk Assessment of Physiological Effects of Atmospheric Composition and Pressure in Constellation Vehicles" 16th Annual Humans in Space, Beijing, China, May 2007



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Professional and Diving Career

Born on 03.01.1953 in Bern (Switzerland), having a M.Sc. in Mech. Eng. from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), he has been working nearly 20 years in the computer science industry. From 2010 to his retirement in January 2016 he was working as a project manager in one of Switzerland's biggest enterprises, with focus on energy procurement.

Beat Müller holds a certificate as a National Instructor (I**** CMAS) and numerous other instructor and Instructor Trainer certifications from CMAS, NAUI, PADI, FASSAS and SCD. Appointed Staff Instructor Cave Diving by cmas.ch in 2004, he looks back on approx. 4500 dives all over the world.

In the mid-eighties, cooperation with Prof. Dr. A.A. Bühlmann in Zurich, with his direct involvement in the high altitude diving research- and test-program up to 2500m asl. He was the responsible software engineer who wrote the software for the famous '86 Bühlmann air-diving tables, as well as the high altitude dive tables for the diving expedition of a group of divers of the British Rhine Army at Lake Titicaca at 3800m asl. He also gave contributions to publications such as "Decompression – Decompression Sickness (Bühlmann)" and "Deeper into Diving" (J. Lippman) and numerous training aids of the Swiss Federations SUSV and cmas.ch.

Other activities: 2004 – 2008 Vice President of the Technical Committee of CMAS International, 2000-2013 Member of the Committee of Technical Diving of cmas.ch, from 2004 – 2013 Head of the Cave Diving Working Group in the Technical Committee of CMAS International. Working as an international ITC CMAS Course Director in Turkey, North Africa and Ireland. He is the author of the Cave Diving Standards and Training System of CMAS International and of Swiss Cave Diving.

Together with Fritz Schatzmann he is the author of the European reference book „Höhlentauchen“ (engl.: "Cave Diving"), and "Cavern Diver" (in German and English) , officially recommended by the World Underwater Federation CMAS.

He is also a founding member and former president until 2015 of the largest European cave diving association "Swiss Cave Diving" and co-owner of the registered trademarks "Swiss Cave Diving", "Swiss Cave Diving Instructors" and "Swiss Cave Divers". He is still working as a member of the board in the position of a Director of Standards.

Since 2006 he is the webmaster of the most visited cave diving website in Europe, www.swiss-cave-diving.ch . He lives with his wife in the greater Zurich area.

He has given numerous presentations on decompression modelling and on Prof. Bühlmann's work in Switzerland, many other European countries, North Africa and Mexico.



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Other Activities of Preference...



(hanging on the deco-bar after a 80m Trimix dive at the Milford Haven, Genova)

