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Description
Launch of Les Dalton's book "Radiation Exposures", 20 May 1991. "Les Dalton was born in 1919 in Sydney. He started work in 1933 in a small family business that had pioneered the manufacture of plastics in Australia early in the century. He qualified in industrial chemistry at the old Sydney Technical College in 1939, and in 1941 joined the CSIRO in Melbourne to work on plastics used in warplanes. Later his research interests turned to organic synthesis for cancer drugs and plant chemicals. In 1976 Dalton retired early, as a principal research scientist at CSIRO's division of organic chemistry, to pursue his interests in environmental issues. He has made submissions to public and parliamentary inquiries on the health problems of power lines, and on the mining of uranium and mineral sands. Les Dalton is the author of The Nuclear Environment (1983). He and his wife Dorothy live in Melbourne. They have two sons and two grandchildren." (Taken from Radiation Exposures, published by Scribe Publications.)

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consequences of radiation exposure may lead to unwarranted concern. Physicians who care for pregnant women often overestimate the teratogenic risk associated with diagnostic imaging. Knowledge of the potential effects of radiation allows physicians to provide appropriate counseling and medical decision making. Pregnant women should be counseled that radiation exposure from a single diagnostic imaging procedure does not increase the risk of fetal anomalies or pregnancy loss.