



## Bruce Mason, Ph.D

Current Position:   Head of Department  
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Bruce Mason graduated with a Ph.D. in Biomechanics from the University of Oregon in 1980. Beside the development of analysis equipment used in servicing elite Australian swimmers his major research area now is in active drag.

Bruce headed up the Biomechanics Department at Australian Institute of Sport (A.I.S.) in 1982. Bruce's major emphasis at the A.I.S. was with the sport of swimming, providing biomechanical support to the A.I.S. Swimming squad as well as to the Australian swim team from the early 1990's through until 2004.

As recognition of his work in the Biomechanics of Swimming, Bruce was awarded an Order of Australia Medal in 2002 and an Australian Sports Medal in 2000 together with the major award of the International Society of Biomechanics in Sport, in 2000.

Bruce has been the recipient of an award in 1998 and again in 1999 titled "Outstanding Contribution to Swimming in Australia" by the Australian Swim Coaches and Teacher's Association. In January 2006, he took over the reins of the Aquatics Testing, Training and Research Unit at the Australian Institute of Sport which saw the construction of a 50m aquatics laboratory.