



ACTIVITY: Swimming

CASE: GSAF 1993.09.03

DATE: Friday September 3, 1993

LOCATION: The incident took place in the Mediterranean Sea at Las Arenas Beach, Valencia, Costa Blanca, Spain.



NAME: Jorge Durich Heredia (or Hernandez)

DESCRIPTION: He is a 69-year-old male, a doctor from Valencia.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: Full Moon, September 1, 1993

ENVIRONMENT: Playa las Arenas is the closest beach to city of Valencia, the third largest city in Spain. The southern section of the beach is nearest to the harbor and city center and is lined with promenades, hotels and restaurants while the northern section consists of stretches of golden sand and blends into Playa de Cabanyal, which in turn, gradually extends into the Playa Malvarossa, considered the premier beach of Valencia.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 200 metres

TIME: 08h00

NARRATIVE: No details

INJURY: Lacerations to thigh and foot, and some toes of the left foot were amputated.

TREATMENT: Thanks to his medical knowledge, he made his own tourniquet and controlled blood loss.

SPECIES: Not identified. The shark was said to be slim and 1.2 to two metres in length.

SOURCES: Diario dos Acores, August 25, 2007,
<http://www.da.online.pt/news.php?id=121490&w=tubar%C3%B5es>

Orlando Sentinel, September 5, 1993, page A.22 citing El Pais newspaper

