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Former Israeli Defense Force [IDF] Medical Officer, Shai Efrati, M.D., and a member of his team, former IDF Combat Engineer Sergeant Aharon Chollow, were guests on **POW/MIA Radio** with Show Host, Rod Utech, Sunday, October 5, 2014.

Dr. Efrati and a team of other IDF Veterans are getting exceptionally favorable results using Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy [HBOT] for Traumatic Brain Injury [TBI]\*

VET-NET is coordinating with these IDF Veterans\*\*, principally helping to recruit 100 US Veterans w/TBI to participate in the program. The hundred US Veterans will travel to Israel, in 4 groups – of 25 per group, for three months of HBOT treatments.

For those who were unable to "tune in" to **POW/MIA Radio** on Sunday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of October, 2014, we have posted the audio of the show to a secure VET-NET web site. For access to the on-line recording, in Windows Media Audio [.wma] format:

- Click on: [http://VET-NET.org/HBOT.on.POW-MIA.Radio\\_2014.10.05.WMA](http://VET-NET.org/HBOT.on.POW-MIA.Radio_2014.10.05.WMA) , or;
- Copy-n-Past the link into a web browser, or;
- For access to the recording in other audio formats, specify the desired format in an e-Mail:
  - TO: NatHq@VET-NET.org
  - Subj: Recording Access - HBOT on **POW/MIA Radio**

For more information or to consider project participation by a US Veteran, e-Mail:

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\* Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy Can Improve Post Concussion Syndrome Years after Mild Traumatic Brain Injury - Randomized Prospective Trial: <http://www.plosone.org/article/info:doi/10.1371/journal.pone.0079995> .

\*\* Dr. Efrati's team is currently mobilizing a project to provide HBOT and other restorative therapies, at no cost to US Veterans who are afflicted with the after-effects of mild and moderate TBI. Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy can improve Post-Concussion Syndrome years after Mild Traumatic Brain Injury. We will also be discussing ways donors can help fund this program. Dr. Shai Efrati, M.D., a former member of the Israel Defense Forces, is Head of the **Institute of Hyperbaric Medicine** and Head of the Research & Development unit of the **Assaf HaRofeh**

**Medical Center.** Dr. Efrati and his team of researchers at **Tel Aviv University's Sackler Faculty of Medicine** have found a way to restore significant amounts of neurological function in brain tissue thought to be chronically damaged and beyond repair - years after initial injury and, in some cases, even decades after all hope for any improvement had been abandoned.

Former IDF Sergeant **Aharon Cholow** was born in Mexico and visited Israel at a very young age. After a few years attending the **University of Texas** at Austin, he returned to Israel making it his home. After enrolling in the Israel Defense Forces, Aharon served in a Combat Engineer Unit through the completion of his Active and Reserve duty assignments. Aharon received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the **Hebrew University of Jerusalem** and has a rich work experience in Public Administration, serving his country in several capacities. He sees the future of the USA and Israel as strongly connected and considers his work, facilitating Dr. Efrati's HBOT project for U.S. Combat Veterans with Traumatic Brain Injuries, as a clear demonstration of both his and the Nation of Israel's concern for and commitment to the military service members of their strongest and most important ally.

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