

## BURGMAN, MARK, PROFESSOR

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**PROPOSED ROLE:** Research Leader  
**CURRENT POSITION:** Professor, Environmental Science, University of Melbourne  
Director, The Australian Centre for Risk Analysis

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### **Examples of direct impact of recent research**

- Adoption of risk assessment framework by Irrigation Industry
- Creation of ACERA
- Adoption of uncertainty analysis for risk ranking by IUCN

### **Examples of advice to government and industry**

- The WA Rock Lobster Industry revision, for the WA Fishing Industry Council
- Ongoing linkage grant for risk assessments of Australian marine parks, Parks Victoria
- Ongoing linkage research on effects of global warming on alpine plants (DSE, Greenhouse Office)

### **Most significant recent publication**

Paper on the predictive accuracy of PVA (Brook et al. 2000) listed by the journal *Nature* as a "Highly Cited Article" (80 since 2000), putting it in the top 1% in its field. March, 2005.

### **Research Training**

	Current	Past
Postdoc	5	19
PhD	16	18
Honours	0	46

### **Publication summary 2001 to present**

Number of books:	5 sole-authored
Number of peer-reviewed papers:	34
Number of book chapters:	13
Other publications:	30

### **Major awards and prizes**

1999 Whitley Award. The best conservation biology text, awarded to M. A. Burgman and D. L. Lindenmayer. *Conservation biology for the Australian environment*. Awarded by the Royal Zoological Society.

### **Other recent evidence of impact and standing**

- Research Working Group Project Leader and Sabbatical Fellow. The US National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, 1999-2002 and 2002-2003.
- Research Fellowship, IZEA, Universite de Lausanne. 1988-89.
- First in Class, Graduate Comprehensive Exams, Department of Ecology and Evolution, State University of New York. 1986.
- International Student Scholarship, Department of Ecology, State University of New York. 1985-87.

### **Invited seminars**

- Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Centre for Complex Systems (MASCOS), University of Melbourne. April 22nd, 2005. Non-probabilistic uncertainty in natural resource management.
- World Conference on Natural Resource Modelling, Melbourne, December 13th, 2004. Robust decisions for species conservation: satisficing under uncertainty (keynote address)
- Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand, Melbourne. August 3rd, 2004. Uncertainty in expert judgements in ecological risk assessments.
- Sede Boker Desert Research Station, Sede Boker, Israel. Wednesday, June 23, 2004. Dealing with uncertainty and making better decisions for Orange-bellied Parrots and Sumatran rhinos.
- Department of Agricultural Engineering, Technion, Haifa, Israel. October 23rd, 2004. Information-gap decision theory: applications in conservation biology.
- International Symposium, Sustainable use and conservation of biological diversity, House of World Cultures / Berlin. December 2nd 2003. Population viability analyses and robust decisions
- Royal Zoological Society of NSW Forum, Taronga Park, Sydney. October 25, 2003. Threatened species legislation: is it just an Act? Results of the extinction risk working group (key note speaker).
- University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Zoology Colloquium, March 28, 2003. Uncertainty in habitat models: epistemic and vague quantities.
- San Diego State University, 2003. GM regulation and scientific inference: can science be trusted?
- Canadian National Critical Habitat Working Group, Canadian Wildlife Service, Workshop. Ottawa, Ontario, December 9-11, 2002. Practical applications: critical habitat on the ground.