



## RONALD DEMEO, M.D., 2011 SOUTH FLORIDA BUSINESS JOURNAL ENTREPRENEUR AWARD FINALIST

Dr. DeMeo is recognized in South Florida and Worldwide for his leadership in health care, community service, and his invention of life saving technology that is being used to help the victims of Japan's Nuclear disaster.



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Dr. DeMeo, a noted surgeon and inventor, has received global acclaim and been featured in top-tier international media for his invention and donations of Demron, the world's first material that provides total multi-hazard protection from all chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological threats, as well as bombs, ballistics and heat stress. The fabric, which is stitched into full-body suits, vests, blankets and other gear, is currently deployed by members of the military, first responders, medical professionals and others worldwide.

Dr. DeMeo first developed Demron when he recognized a need for better radiation protection for medical professionals from X-ray equipment, and rather than rely on the limited options available, he decided to invent his own solution. When he realized Demron had applications in many other industries, he founded Radiation Shield Technologies (RST) to bring this product to market and established an exclusive manufacturing plant in Medley, Fla. RST has received 13 U.S. and international patents for Demron. "I am humbled to receive these prestigious awards and, as a physician, I am grateful for the opportunities that my Demron invention has provided me in terms of enabling me to protect people and help save lives," Dr. DeMeo said. "I look forward to continuing to innovate and expand our Demron product line to meet a growing demand for our technologies."

Dr. DeMeo is actively working to help raise awareness of the need to elevate the standards for radiation protection. Today, he consults the U.S. Congress and other top government and military officials, as well as Fortune 500 companies, and speaks at global conferences to address radiation-protection issues.

### About Meridian Spine & Interventional Pain Medicine

Meridian Spine & Interventional Pain Medicine is a medical facility dedicated to treating disorders of the spine. Nationally recognized as a center of excellence, the facility at 6 Aragon Avenue in Coral Gables provides patients with the latest surgical and non-surgical techniques and therapies to restore and optimize their health. For more information, visit [www.meridianspine.com](http://www.meridianspine.com) or call (305) 448-6166.

### About Radiation Shield Technologies (RST)

Radiation Shield Technologies (RST), with headquarters and manufacturing facilities in Miami, is a global leader in the research, development and production of personal-protection systems. RST's core technology, Demron®, is the world's first and only fabric that provides protection from nuclear, biological, chemical and bomb and ballistic threats as well as infrared radiation and heat. For more information, visit <http://radshield.com> or call (866) 7 DEMRON or (866) 733-6766.

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