

Michael Guasch Looking at Overall Championship Standings Following at Mosport

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With the 2009 Masters Championship crown locked up Michael Guasch came to Mosport International Raceway with his mind focused on climbing up the overall championship ladder in the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear but an early race drive through penalty and an off course excursion have the Walnut Creek, California resident regrouping after a sixteenth place finish in Round Eleven of the championship.

"This was my first visit to Mosport and the circuit is incredible. The track is so fast and when you add in the high-speed blind corners it is a very challenging course to get comfortable and up to speed on," Guasch commented. "I had taken my time figuring things out and had put myself in a good position to move up after qualifying."

Driving the #91 Molecule Labs/ JDC MotorSports Pro Formula Mazda, Guasch would gradually lower his lap times over the course of the practice days and capture the twelfth spot on the starting grid in what was a soggy, and foggy, qualifying session on the 2.5 mile circuit.

"The conditions made for a tricky qualifying as the track was still damp and the fog made corner to corner visibility really tough. A couple of drivers went off early in the session to bring out some the red flag and it wasn't until the end of the session that I could get into a groove and turn in some quicker times," Guasch explained. "I was pleased at the end of the session to have the twelfth spot and was looking to break into the top ten in the race."

The race wouldn't go according to plans though as the series officials deemed Guasch had rolled prior to the green light on the standing start and the resulting drive through penalty on pit lane would drop him back down the field. Guasch would suffer a further setback as he gave room to allow teammate, and championship contender, Adam Christodoulou through.

"The penalty dropped me back enough that the leaders were able to catch me and as I moved over to let Adam through I went too far into the dirty area of the track and looped the car," Guasch said. "Without any full course cautions to close the field up there was nothing I could do to make any headway on the field."

Despite the difficulties Guasch would finish second in the Master Class category behind his fellow JDC MotorSports driver Gerry Kraut. With two races remaining Guasch sits eighteenth in the overall championship just fifteen points out of the top-fifteen. The championship now heads to Road Atlanta to race as part of the American Le Mans Series Petit Le Mans race weekend on September 23-25.

## About Molecule Labs

Molecule Labs has its roots in both specialty chemical manufacturing and motor sports. Over the years, its creator, Michael Guasch, has often worn a lab coat one day and a racing suit the next. His unique understanding of these two distinct professions brought <u>Molecule™ Technical Fabric Care System</u> into being. Guasch's expertise developing innovative protective chemicals led to the sale of one of his national brands to a Fortune 500 company in 2005. But instead of retiring, he decided to devote more time to racing.

With his increased time on the racetrack, Guasch realized that his Nomex® racing suits required special care that dry cleaning and ordinary laundry products could not provide. So he returned to the lab to develop a new line of protective chemicals and care products specifically formulated for Nomex® and other technical fabrics.





After two years of development and testing, in the lab and on the track, Guasch and his new company have created the four-step Molecule<sup>™</sup> Technical Fabric Care System.

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