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BIO

Dr. Dorfman is a board-certified neurologist and clinical neurophysiologist. He sees patients with all kinds of neurological issues, but specializes in neuro-immunology (especially multiple sclerosis) and in neuromuscular disorders. He also performs electromyography (EMG) and evoked potential (EP) testing.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- Multiple Sclerosis
- Electromyography
- Neuromuscular Disorders
- Evoked Potentials
- Electrodiagnostic Medicine

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Emeritus (Active) Professor, Neurology & Neurological Sciences
- Professor Emeritus-Hourly, Neurology and Neurological Sciences
- Member, Wu Tsai Neurosciences Institute

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Director, Stanford Multiple Sclerosis Clinic, (1974-2014)
- Director, SHC/LPCH Electromyography Laboratories, (1991-2013)
- Director, SHC/LPCH Evoked Potential Laboratories, (1991-2013)
- Director, Stanford Neurodiagnostic Laboratories, (1994-2013)
- Director, Residency Program in Clinical Neurophysiology, (1995-2013)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- President, Association of California Neurologists (2002-04)
- Director, American Board of Electrodiagnostic Medicine (1999-2005)
- President, AAEM Foundation for Research and Education (1997-98)
- President, American Association for Electrodiagnostic Medicine (1997-98)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Fellowship: Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science Scottsdale (1973) AZ
- Residency: Stanford University Dept of Neurology (1973) CA
- Medical Education: Albert Einstein College of Medicine (1968) NY
- Residency: Greenwich Hospital Residency Programs (1970) CT
- Internship: Greenwich Hospital Residency Programs (1969) CT
- Board Certification: Electrodiagnostic Medicine, American Board of Electrodiagnostic Medicine (1989)
- Board Certification: Neurology, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (1975)
- Fellowship: National Hospital (1974) UK England
- BSc, McGill University , Physiological Psychology (1964)
- MD, Albert Einstein , Medicine (1968)

COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL WORK

- NMSS Clinical Advisory Board, Santa Clara County
- ACN Board of Directors -Consultant, Sacramento

LINKS

- Get a Second Opinion: <https://stanfordhealthcare.org/second-opinion/overview.html>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Clinical electrophysiology of the peripheral and central nervous systems, including nerve conduction velocity; electromyography (EMG); and visual, auditory and somatosensory evoked potentials. Application of digital signal processing techniques in clinical neurophysiology for diagnosis of neurological disorders and for neurological rehabilitation. Multiple sclerosis (MS) diagnosis and treatment. Implementation of new methodologies for teaching clinical neuroscience to undergraduate, graduate and medical students, residents and fellows.

Teaching

GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Neurosciences (Phd Program)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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- **AAEM minimonograph #47: Normative data in electrodiagnostic medicine** *MUSCLE & NERVE*
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- **PHASE-1 CLINICAL-TRIAL OF CHIMERIC MONOCLONAL ANTI-CD4 ANTIBODY IN MULTIPLE-SCLEROSIS** *44th Annual Meeting of the American-Academy-of-Neurology*
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- **QUANTITATIVE CLINICAL ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY IN THE EVALUATION OF NERVE INJURY AND REGENERATION** *SYMP AT THE 1989 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOC OF ELECTROMYOGRAPHY AND ELECTRODIAGNOSIS : PERIPHERAL NERVE REGENERATION*
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- **MOTOR UNIT FIRING RATES AND FIRING RATE VARIABILITY IN THE DETECTION OF NEUROMUSCULAR DISORDERS** *ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAPHY AND CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY*
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 - **LEBERS DISEASE AND DYSTONIA - A MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE** *NEUROLOGY*
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 - **EVOKED-POTENTIALS IN HYSTERIA AND MALINGERING** *JOURNAL OF CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY*
Howard, J. E., DORFMAN, L. J.
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 - **AUTOMATIC DECOMPOSITION ELECTROMYOGRAPHY (ADEMG) - VALIDATION AND NORMATIVE DATA IN BRACHIAL BICEPS** *ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAPHY AND CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY*
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 - **AAEE MINIMONOGRAPH-21 - THE DISTRIBUTION OF CONDUCTION VELOCITIES (DCV) IN PERIPHERAL-NERVES - A REVIEW** *MUSCLE & NERVE*
DORFMAN, L. J.
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 - **NEUROPATHY IN THE HYPEREOSINOPHILIC SYNDROME** *MUSCLE & NERVE*
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 - **SENSORY EVOKED-POTENTIALS - CLINICAL-APPLICATIONS IN MEDICINE** *ANNUAL REVIEW OF MEDICINE*
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