

About Gunhild Waldemar

Gunhild Waldemar is consultant neurologist, clinical professor and chair of DDRC. Main research areas include dementia epidemiology, global health, diagnostic markers, clinical cohort studies and pharmacological and complex interventions.



Education

- 1985 M.D., University of Copenhagen
- 1996 D.M.Sc.
- 1996 Authorization as specialist in neurology from the Danish National Board of Health

Positions

1987-90 Research fellowship in brain imaging at Rigshospitalet 1985-87 & 1991-96 Appointments in internal medicine, surgery, neurophysiology, neurosurgery, neurology, psychiatry, and geriatrics for internship and specialist training in neurology

Dept. of Neurology at Rigshospitalet, Univ. of Copenhagen



- 1996-2001 Staff neurologist
- 2001- Senior staff neurologist
- 1995-2007 Director, Memory Clinic and the Memory Disorders Research Group
- 2007- Chair, the Danish Dementia Research Centre
- 2001-2006 Professor (dementia research)
- 2002-2003 Acting chair, Dept. of Neurology (14 months)
- 2006- Professor of Clinical Neurology, Institute of Clinical Medicine, Univ of Copenhagen
- 2013- Coordinating professor, The Neuroscience Centre, Rigshospitalet.
- 2017-2018 Acting chair, Dept. of Neurology (4 months)

Research interests

I serve as the chair of the Danish Dementia Research Centre and the Copenhagen Memory Clinic, which employs >90 staff members, receives >1700 new patients per year and has a research laboratory, and a national education and referral center.

My own major research interests include dementia epidemiology, global health, diagnostic markers, clinical cohort studies and pharmacological and complex interventions in dementia.

My group has attracted external funding from EU, NIH, national research councils, and private foundations amounting to appr. DKK 154 mill during the past 10 years. I have supervised several PhD students, postdocs and master students.

Distinguished services (selected)

- 2001- Member of European Alzheimer's Disease Research Consortium (EADC)
- 2001- Member of the Medical and Scientific Advisory Panel (MSAP) of ADI
- 2006-2014 Board member, the EFNS (vice-president, chairman of the Liaison committee)
- 2009-2014 Member of the EFNS-ENS transitional task force to create the EAN
- 2011- Board of Trustees, Lundbeck Foundation -chairman of the Grants and Prizes committee since 2014
- 2015- Member of the scientific advisory board, Alzheimer Europe
- 2016- Board member, Alliance for Biomedical Research in Europe
- 2019- Treasurer, Alliance for Biomedical Research in Europe
- 2000- Advisor, the National Legal Medicine Council, Danish Ministry of Justice
- 2016- 2018 President, Medical Society of Copenhagen

Awards (selected)

- 1995: The Hede Nielsen research award
- 2006: The Alzheimer research award (The Danish Alzheimer Foundation)
- 2007: "The Golden Scalpel" for best performance in Danish Medicine during 10 y



- 2011: The Codan/SEB pension research award
- 2012: The Niels A. Lassen brain research award
- 2014: Honorary member, the European Academy of Neurology
- 2017: The Monrad – Krohn Prize for research in neurology
- 2018: The Nordic Medicine Research Prize
- 2019: The Marie and August Krogh Prize

Publication statistics

370 scientific papers, books and book chapters (incl. 340 peer-reviewed and 324 PubMed indexed scientific papers).
Web of Science (23.01.2019): 395 papers, H index 55; 10.198 citations.

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