
Recognition – *Stanley Fahn, MD*



Stanley Fahn, MD, is the H. Houston Merritt Professor of Neurology and Director of the Center for Parkinson's Disease and Other Movement Disorders at Columbia University in New York City. He is the Scientific Director of the Parkinson's Disease Foundation and served as President of the American Academy of Neurology (AAN) from 2001 to 2003. He works on clinical and experimental therapeutics of movement disorders, including Parkinson disease (PD).

In 1985, he co-founded The Movement Disorder Society and was elected its first president. He was the founding co-editor of the journal *Movement Disorders* and served in this capacity for the first 10 years of the journal's existence, until 1996. He has also served as associate editor of *Neurology* for 10 years. Dr. Fahn has twice served as chairman of the Advisory Committee on Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs for the Food and Drug Administration. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the US National Academies.



With Dr. Ira Shoulson, Dr. Fahn co-founded in 1986 the Parkinson Study Group (PSG), a consortium of clinical investigators dedicated to conducting controlled clinical trials on the prevention and treatment of PD. Dr. Fahn was elected and re-elected as co-chair of its Executive Committee and served for 20 years in that capacity.

Dr. Fahn was selected to be chairman and chief organizer of the first two World Parkinson Congresses that were held in 2006 and 2010. He is currently co-organizing the third World Parkinson Congress, to be held in Montreal, in October 2013.

The AAN honored Dr. Fahn with the Wartenberg Award for outstanding clinical research in 1986, the first Movement Disorder Prize for outstanding contributions in this field in 1997, and their A. B. Baker Award for outstanding educator in neurology in 1996. The American Neurological Association awarded him the first Soriano Lectureship for excellence in research. In 2007, he received the James Parkinson Medal, awarded once every 10 years by the Parkinson's Disease Foundation. Dr. Fahn and Drs. Joseph Jankovic and Mark Hallett are co-authors of the textbook, *Principles and Practice of Movement Disorders*, whose second edition was published in August 2011.