



The Virtual Assessment in Lewy Body Dementia: Pandemic and Beyond Webinar Series: Understanding Current Research on Virtual Assessment

Faculty Bios



Jennifer Goldman, MD, MS is the Section Chief for Parkinson's Disease (PD) and Movement Disorders Rehabilitation at the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Neurology at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. Dr. Goldman is a Movement Disorders neurologist with board certification in Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry.

Dr. Goldman is a clinician-researcher who has been a pioneer in the cognitive and behavioral aspects of PD and movement disorders and a longstanding champion of interdisciplinary care. Her work focuses on advancing our understanding of the non-motor and motor features of PD and movement disorders, using neuroimaging and biomarkers, and on developing pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions to improve or prevent these symptoms. Dr. Goldman has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Michael J. Fox Foundation and the Parkinson's Foundation, among others, and is widely published. As a clinician, Dr. Goldman is passionate about offering a holistic, comprehensive, and interdisciplinary team-based approach for people with PD and movement disorders and their care partners.



Katherine Amodeo, MD is a neurologist who specializes in the diagnosis and care of patients with neurodegenerative movement and cognitive disorders, including Parkinson's disease and dementia with Lewy bodies. She is on staff at the Westechester Medical Center – MidHudson Regional Hospital and an assistant professor of Neurology at School of Medicine at New York Medical College.

Dr. Amodeo completed fellowship training at the University of Rochester as a selected Edmond J. Safra Michael J Fox Foundation Fellow. During this time, she was mentored and trained by faculty in both the Movement Disorders center and the Memory Care program. She has served as principal investigator and coinvestigator in several clinical trials in Parkinson's disease and dementia with Lewy bodies.

Dr. Amodeo evaluates and treats patients with neurological disorders, with a focus in movement and cognitive disorders. Her research focuses on identifying modifiable risk factors for cognitive impairment with the goal of mitigating risk for dementia in those with Parkinson's disease and prodromal dementia with Lewy bodies.



Dag Aarsland, MD is renowned throughout the world in the field of Lewy Body Dementia and Parkinson's disease but has made contributions across the spectrum of old age psychiatry.

Dag Aarsland earned his degree in medicine in 1988 from the University of Oslo. At the same time as he was working as a clinician at Stavanger University Hospital, he started to conduct research, gaining his PhD in 1996 with a thesis on language disorders among patients with Alzheimer's disease. In 1998 he became a specialist in psychiatry.

From 2000 to 2002 he was a senior lecturer in geriatric psychiatry at the University of Bergen. He then became an adjunct professor, then professor of geriatric medicine at Bergen from 2006-2009. Between 2007 and 2009 he was a visiting professor at King's College in London, where he has held an honorary professorship since 2009. In 2009 Dag Aarsland became a professor of geriatric psychiatry at the University of Oslo. He is also a director of research at the University of Stavanger's Centre for Age-Related Medicine.

Dag Aarsland was, for several years, director of the Norwegian Neuropsychiatric Association. He has been the recipient of numerous prizes, most recently in 2011 when he was awarded the Western Norway Regional Health Authority's Research Prize. He is joined the King's College London in the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience in 2016.

Andrew Owens, PhD

Andrew's research has predominantly examined the interaction between the central nervous system and the autonomic nervous system and how this interaction relates to conscious and unconscious psychological and physiological processes. His academic career began as a research coordinator at Imperial College London (2008). Prior to this, he spent five years in the public and private sectors.



Andrew's PhD investigating the psychophysiology of dysautonomia was carried out between University College London's (UCL) Institute of Neurology (IoN) and Imperial College London's, Neurovascular Medicine Unit (2011–2015). His subsequent postdoc positions were at UCL's IoN (2016–2017) and Royal Holloway's Lab of Action and Body (2017-2018) before joining King's College London's Department of Old Age Psychiatry, where he is currently examining psychological, neurophysiological and autonomic nervous system biomarkers of neuropsychiatric and neurodegenerative mechanisms in dementia and movement disorders, with a particular focus on remote digital biomarkers. He also has experience of carrying out large public engagement behavioural research events at The Royal Opera House and Tate Modern.