

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DATA:

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Date and Place of Birth: October 22, 1954, New York
Personal: Married, 3 children

EDUCATION:

2001 Master of Medical Management
H. John Heinz School of Public
Policy and Management
Carnegie Mellon University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
1976-1981 Doctor of Medicine (with honors)
University of Rome
Rome, Italy
1972-1976 Bachelor of Science – Biology
(with honors)
Manhattan College
Bronx, New York

POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING:

Internships and Residencies:

1981-1982 Intern
Department of Medicine
New Rochelle Hospital Medical Center
New Rochelle, New York

1982-1985 Resident
Department of Neurology
University of Michigan Medical Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Fellowships:

1985-1986 Neuromuscular Disease/
Electrodiagnostic Medicine
Department of Physical Medicine
and Rehabilitation
University of Michigan Medical Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION:

Licensure: State of Connecticut - #27193
State of Michigan - #45814
State of New York - #1591521

Board Certification:

1987 Diplomate, American Board
of Psychiatry and Neurology

1989 Diplomate, American Board of
Electrodiagnostic Medicine

2002 Board Certified in Medical
Management, Certifying Commission
in Medical Management

ACADEMIC & CONSULTING APPOINTMENTS:

1999-present	Associate Clinical Professor Department of Neurology University of Connecticut Health Sciences Center Farmington, Connecticut
2011-present	Adjunct Clinical Professor Department of Kinesiology University of Connecticut Storrs, Connecticut
1986-1999	Assistant Clinical Professor Department of Neurology University of Connecticut Health Services Center Farmington, Connecticut
1985-1986	Instructor, Department of Neurology University of Michigan Medical Center Ann Arbor, Michigan
1997-present	Neurology Consultant University of Connecticut Athletic Department
1997-present	Neurology Consultant and Ringside Physician Connecticut State Boxing Commission
1995-2004	Consultant, Norwich Navigators and New York Yankees
2002-2005	Consultant, World Wrestling Entertainment (formerly WWF)
2003-present	Medical Director Division of Sports and Entertainment of ConnCare William W. Backus Hospital
2004-2009	Medical Director Neurodiagnostic Services Windham Community Memorial Hospital
2007	Fellow

ACADEMIC AND CONSULTING APPOINTMENTS (continued):

2007-2009	Consultant, Connecticut Defenders and San Francisco Giants
2007-present	Consultant, Connecticut Sun WNBA
2008-present	Medical Director Stroke Program William W. Backus Hospital
2010-present	Consultant, Hartford Colonials United Football League
2011-present	Medical Advisory Committee, USA Cheer

HOSPITAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

1986-present	Senior Staff William W. Backus Hospital Norwich, Connecticut
1986-present	Consulting Staff Windham Community Memorial Hospital Willimantic, Connecticut
1996-present	Consulting Staff Harrington Court Rehabilitation Center Colchester, Connecticut

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

1996-1999 2004-2006 2008-present	Chairman, Department of Neurology William W. Backus Hospital
1996-1999 2004-2006	Medical Executive Committee William W. Backus Hospital

2008-2010

1991-1992

Chairman, Utilization Review
Committee
William W. Backus Hospital

MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

2007-2010

State Affairs Committee
American Academy of Neurology

2006-present

Health Columnist
Norwich Bulletin
Gatehouse Co., Inc.

2004-2008

Advisor
American Academy of Neurology
Palatucci Advocacy
Leadership Forum

2002-present

Neurologic Consultant
Connecticut Dept. of Public Health
Division of Health Systems Regulation

2002-present

Board of Directors
Connecticut Neurological Society

1989-2006

Board of Directors
Colonial Individual Practice Association

1987-1997

State Liaison, Practice Committee
American Association of Electrodiagnostic Medicine

1995-1997

Workshop Committee
American Association of
Electrodiagnostic Medicine

1993-2001

Chairman
Colonial Individual Practice Association

1983-1985

Resident Education Committee
University of Michigan Medical Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan

1983-1984

Coordinator, Neuroradiology
Conference Committee Coordinator

University of Michigan Medical Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan

MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (continued):

1984 Michigan Delegate, Resident
Physician Section, American Medical
Association

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

American Academy of Neurology	Connecticut State Medical Society
American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine	Connecticut Neurological Society
American Association of Professional Ringside Physicians	New London County Medical Association
American College of Physician Executives	American Medical Students Association of Rome
American College of Sports Medicine	Italian Neurological Society

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE:

1986-2000 Partner
Neurology Associates
Norwich, CT

1997-present Chairman, Chief Executive Officer
Colonial Cooperative Care, Inc.
Norwich, CT

2000-present Solo Practitioner
Neuro Diagnostics, LLC
330 Washington St. Norwich, CT

RESEARCH:

Associate Investigator, Phase II Multicenter Controlled Clinical Trial of Fluzinamide in Patients with Partial Seizures (A. H. Robins Company)-(NIH-NINCDS Contract #NO1-NS-2363)

Associate Investigator, A Multicenter Placebo Controlled Double-Blind Trial to Determine the Efficacy and Safety of CI-912 in the Treatment of Complex Partial Seizures in Medically Refractory Patients (Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis Grant CI-912-13)

Consultant, Follow-up Study of AHR-8559 in Partial Seizures Protocol #6 (A.H. Robins Grant)

Consultant, Follow-up Study of CI-912 in the Treatment of Complex Partial Seizures in Medically Refractory Patients (Warner-Lambert/Parke-Davis)

Associate Investigator, Martin Marietta Energy Systems Contract (Department of Energy Grant), A Health Evaluation of Y-12 Workers Formerly Exposed to Mercury, Awarded 1985

Principal Investigator, Biomedical Research Support Grant, Investigation of the Visually Evoked Blink Reflex Pathways, Awarded July 1985

Consultant, Exposure Response Relationship in Hand/Arm Vibration, Awarded October 2001

PUBLICATIONS:

Abstracts:

1. Alessi AG, Balcom W, Spratt G, Littlefield M: Head Injury And Transient Visual Field Deficit In Baseball: A Case Study. *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise* 1997; Volume 29:5.
2. Burke JM, Donofrio PD, Alessi AG, Albers JW: Long-Term Response to Plasma Exchange in Progressive Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyradiculoneuropathy. *Neurology* 1985; 35:82.
3. Alessi AG, Donofrio PD, Burke JM, Krus DL, Albers JW: Absence of Anti-MAG Activity in Sera of Patients with Polyneuropathy and IgG Kappa Paraproteinemia. *Neurology* 1985; 35:82.
4. Walker FW, Alessi AG: Hysterical Apnea. *Neurology* 1985; 35:307.
5. Alessi AG, Aldrich MS, Beck RW, Vanderzant C, Olszewski C, Albers JW: Flash-Evoked Blink Reflexes in Patients with Long-standing Cortical Blindness. *M & N* 1985; 8:615.
6. Alessi AG, Donofrio PD, Burke JM, Albers JW: Plasma Exchange in Non-Malignant Plasma Cell Dyscrasia Polyneuropathy. *Neurology (Clev)* 1984; 34:79-80.
7. Aldrich MS, Alessi AG, Beck RW, Gilman SG: Cortical Blindness in Adults: Etiology, Diagnosis and Prognosis. *Annals of Neurology* 1984;16:1153.

8. Donofrio PD, Alessi AG, Burke JM, Albers JW: Polyneuropathy in Benign Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance. *M & N* 1984; 7:564.
9. Alessi AG, Kutcher J, Alessi SF: Electroencephalography as a Screening Test for Boxers. *Neurology* 2009; 72:496
10. Mahooti N, Anderson J, Alessi AG: Peculiar Paresthesias in a Football Player. *AMSSM* 2010 (in print)

Manuscripts:

1. Felice K, Alessi AG, Grunet M: Clinical Variability in Adult Onset of Acid Maltase Deficiency. *Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery and Psychiatry*, Volume 1995; 74:3, 131-135.
2. Aldrich MS, Vanderzant CW, Alessi AG: Ictal Cortical Blindness with Permanent Visual Loss. *Epilepsia* 1989; 30(1):116-120.
3. Donofrio PD, Alessi AG, Albers JW: Evolution of Remote-effect Polyneuropathy: Serial Electrodiagnostic Studies. *M & N* 1989; 12:508-513.
4. Walker FW, Alessi AG, Digre KB, McLean WT: Psychogenic Respiratory Distress. *Archives of Neurology* 1989; 46:196-200.
5. Albin RA, Albers JW, Greenberg H, Townsend JB, Lynn RB, Burke JM, Alessi AG: Acute Sensory Neuropathy- Neuronopathy and Pyridoxine Overdose. *Neurology* 1988; 37:1729-1732.
6. Albers JW, Kellenback LJ, Fine LJ, Langolf GD, Wolfe RA, Donofrio PD, Alessi AG, Stolpe-Smith KS, Bromberg MB: Mercury Workers Study Group, Neurologic Abnormalities Associated with Remote Occupational Elemental Mercury Exposure. *Annals of Neurology* 1988; 24:651-659.
7. Aldrich MS, Alessi AG, Beck RW, Gilman SG: Cortical Blindness in Adults: Etiology, Diagnosis and Prognosis. *Annals of Neurology* 1987; 21:149-158.
8. Freddo L, Yu R, Latov N, Donofrio P, Hays A, Greenberg H, Albers J, Alessi A, Leavitt A, Davar, G, Keren D: Gangliosides GM1 and GD 1b Antigens for IgM M-protein in a Patient with Motor Neuron Disease. *Neurology* 1986; 36:454-458.
9. Donofrio PD, Greenberg HS, Albers JW, Alessi AG, Leavitt A, Davar G, Latov N, Freddo L: IgM Monoclonal Protein Binding to Spinal Cord and Peripheral Nerve Glycolipids in a Patient with Motor Neuron Disease. *Annals of Neurology* 1985; 18:161.

Book Chapters:

1. Kutcher J, Giza C, Alessi AG: Sports Concussion. Continuum 2010; Volume 16
2. Alessi AG, Schwartz M: Mixed Martial Arts: Ringside Safety (in press)

Videos:

1. Alessi AG: Regain Control of Your Medical Practice Today. CD Rom June 2004.

Books:

1. Alessi AG: Healthy Sports: A doctor's lessons for a winning lifestyle. Day Press September 2008.
2. Alessi AG: Lift Up Your Hearts: Healing Haiti, land of hardship. Passionist Press November 2010.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. November 12, 1983, Michigan Neurological Association, "Plasma Exchange in Non-Malignant Plasma Cell Dyscrasia Polyneuropathy"
2. April 10, 1984, American Academy of Neurology, "Plasma Exchange in Non-Malignant Plasma Cell Dyscrasia Polyneuropathy"
3. September 10, 1984, American EEG Society, "Cortical Blindness as an Ictal Manifestation"
4. September 21, 1984, American Association of Electromyography and Electrodiagnosis, "Polyneuropathy in Benign Monoclonal Gammopathy of Undetermined Significance"
5. October 8, 1984, American Neurological Association, "Cortical Blindness in Adults: Etiology, Diagnosis and Prognosis"
6. April 30, 1985, American Academy of Neurology, "Absence of Anti-MAG Activity in Sera of Patients with Polyneuropathy and IgG Paraproteinemia"
7. April 30, 1985, American Academy of Neurology, "Long-Term Response to Plasma Exchange in Progressive Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyradiculoneuropathy"
8. May 2, 1985, American Academy of Neurology, "Hysterical Apnea"
9. October 25, 1985, American Association of Electromyography and Electrodiagnosis, "Flash-Evoked Blink Reflexes in Patients with Long-standing Cortical Blindness"
10. April 27, 1996, Symposium on Athletic Injuries of the Head and Neck, "Brachial Plexus and Nerve Root Injuries"

11. April 26, 1997, Symposium on Athletic Injuries of the Upper Extremity, “Nerve Injuries of the Upper Extremity”
12. May 29, 1997, American College of Sports Medicine, “Head Injury and Transient Visual Field Deficit in Baseball: A Case Study”
13. May 12, 1999, Symposium on Medicare & Senior Health Issues Eastern Connecticut Office on Aging, “Senior Solutions”
14. June 22, 1999, The New Healthcare Marketplace Conference '99, Syracuse, NY, “Rise of the Physician IPA – A National Panel Discussion”
15. January 4, 2001, Trauma Grand Rounds Wm. W. Backus Hospital, “Electrodiagnostic Evaluation of Traumatic Nerve Injuries”
16. May 12, 2001, Symposium on Athletic Injuries of the Shoulder and Elbow, “Nerve Injuries of the Shoulder and Elbow”
17. May 1, 2009, American Academy of Neurology, “Electroencephalography as a Screening Test for Boxers”
18. May 11, 2009, Connecticut State Stroke Conference, “Building an Effective Stroke Team: From Baseball to the Bedside.”
19. May 14, 2010, Sports Concussion Institute, “Sports Concussion Evaluation and Management Among Female Athletes”
20. June 1, 2010, American College of Sports Medicine, “Sports Neurology: Clinical Approaches to Epilepsy and Migraine in Athletes”
21. May 20, 2011, Connecticut State Stroke Conference, “Stroke in Athletes.”

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

1990-1993 Otis Library

Board Member
Norwich, CT

2003-2005 Norwich Community Development Corp

Board Member
Norwich, CT

1992-present

St. Jude Common Elderly Housing
Board Member
Norwich, CT

2000-2007	Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation Board Member Bloomfield, CT
2005-2011	Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation Chairman, Selection Committee Bloomfield, CT
2010-present	Lifechoice Donor Services, Board Member, Bloomfield, CT

HONORS AND AWARDS:

John F. Kennedy Citizenship Award

John E. Peck Community Service Award, Outstanding Advocate for the Elderly

Ringside Physician of the Year 2009