

## Professor Alla Guekht – CURRICULUM VITAE

Professor Alla Guekht was born in Moscow, Russia, in 1961. She obtained the M.D. degree at the 2nd Moscow Medical Institute and completed residency in Neurology in the same Institute in 1986. She was then trained in Neuropsychology in Burdenko Institute of Neurosurgery (school of Alexander Luria), EEG (Institute of Neurology, Russian Academy of Medical sciences), EMG (Russian National center for Myasthenia Gravis); participated in the training/fellow programs in the Munster University, University of Homburg/Saar (Germany), Thomas Jefferson Hospital, Comprehensive Epilepsy Center in the Graduate Hospital (USA). She received the PhD Diploma for the dissertation on EEG monitoring in carotid surgery and has been appointed an Assistant Professor of the Russian State Medical University (currently - Russian National Research Medical University). In 1994 she obtained the Doctor of Medical Sciences Diploma for the dissertation on Brain plasticity and restoration after stroke, and served as the Associate Professor, then (since 1999) - Professor of the Department of Neurology, Neurosurgery and Genetics. She is the Head (since 2007) of the Neurology and Epilepsy Clinic of the Buyanov City Hospital in Moscow. In 2011 she was appointed the Director of the Moscow Research and Clinical Center for Neuropsychiatry.

In 2003 she received the Bruce S. Schoenberg International Award and lecture in Neuroepidemiology (American Academy of Neurology) for the study "Seizures after stroke: prospective study of acute stroke patients"; in 2006 – "Honored Physician of the Russian Federation" Award of the Government of Russia; in 2009 - "Priznanie" (Recognition) Award of the Russian Federation for multidisciplinary research in restoration after stroke and in 2014 - the Award of the Mayor of Moscow for the research in epilepsy. She has been selected as the recipient of the 2012 - European Educational Award on Epileptology. In 2013 she received the Ambassador for Epilepsy Award from ILAE and the IBE.

Her main research interests have been focused on epilepsy after stroke and traumatic brain injury as well as on social issues (epidemiology, QOL, stigma). She is the author of more than 140 Pubmed-listed publications, including over 40 papers in the international peer-reviewed journals, 3 chapters in the international textbooks, 15 books (in Russian) on Neurology and Epileptology, including the National guidelines and Manual in Neurology. She is the mentor to many young neurologists and epileptologists with over 25 completed PhD and 4 doctoral dissertations.

She served in the Editorial Boards of Epilepsia, Epileptic Disorders; currently – in the Editorial Boards of the Journal of Neurological Sciences, Acta Neurologica Scandinavica, European Journal of stroke, Korsakov Journal of Neurology and Psychiatry. She acts as a regular reviewer for many international journals.

Alla Guekht was the Member of the International Organizing / Scientific Committees for many International /European Congresses on epileptology, invited speaker at the International and European Congresses on Epileptology and sessions on epilepsy at the European and World Neurology Congresses. She is one of the founders and Director of the Migrating Course of epilepsy, member of the organizing committee of Eilat International Educational Course, speaker at San Servolo, Baltic Sea and Caucasian Summer Schools on Epileptology, as well as in many other regional Courses in Europe.

She is currently the Co-Chair of the ILAE Global Outreach Task Force and contributed substantially to the successful collaboration with the WHO and the 68<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly Resolution on Epilepsy. She served for 3 terms in ILAE-Commission on European affairs (CEA) and was the CEA Secretary in 2009-2013. She is the Secretary of the Russian Chapter of the ILAE. She established the Epilepsy clinic with multidisciplinary epilepsy surgery program in Moscow and contributed to the organization of epilepsy centers in many Russian regions and former Soviet Union countries. She made a substantial contribution to the development of epilepsy care and education in Central and Eastern Europe; initiated extensive population-based studies on epidemiology of epilepsy in the region and studies on QOL in people with epilepsy and burden of epilepsy, which made important impact on the improvement of epilepsy care.