

Frederick Andermann (1930-2019)



Frederick Andermann OC OQ FRCPC was a Canadian neurologist and epileptologist. He was born and initially raised in Chernivtsi, belonging at that time to Romania, today Ukraine. When this area was annexed by the Soviet Union in 1940, his family first moved to Bucharest, then to Switzerland and France (Paris), before they immigrated to Canada in 1950, where he trained in medicine at the Université de Montréal and then neurology at the Montreal Neurological Institute and Hospital.

He was a professor at the Departments of Neurology and Neurosurgery and Pediatrics at McGill University in Montreal and was the director of the Epilepsy Unit and Clinic of the Montreal Neurological Institute and Hospital for many years. He was a founding member, president, and past president of the Canadian League Against Epilepsy, president of the Canadian Neurological Society, the Canadian Society for Clinical Neurophysiology, the Canadian Association of Child Neurologists and the Canadian Eastern EEG Society. In the International League Against Epilepsy, he was a chairman of the Task Force on Classification and of the Commission on Classification and Terminology from 1993 to 1997, first vice president from 2001 to 2005, and second vice president from 2005 to 2009.

His contributions to the field of epilepsy research are many. In 1972, and 1986 he described Andermann syndrome named after him together with his wife Eva (also a neurologist and epileptologist) and others.

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