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**Barbara C. Jobst, M.D., Ph.D., Honored for Excellence in Epilepsy Care  
at the American Epilepsy Society's Annual Meeting**

BALTIMORE - Barbara C. Jobst, M.D., Ph.D., was honored with the J. Kiffin Penry Award for Excellence in Epilepsy Care at the annual meeting of the [American Epilepsy Society \(AES\)](#), a medical and scientific society whose members are dedicated to advancing research and education for preventing, treating and curing epilepsy.

Dr. Jobst is currently the Louis and Ruth Frank professor of neurosciences at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth, vice-chair of Neurology at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center and co-director of the Dartmouth Hitchcock Epilepsy Center. Dr. Jobst is a clinician-investigator who applies basic research to the benefit of patients and has trained many students, residents, fellows and junior faculty in the care of epilepsy patients.

Her initial work in the description of epilepsy characteristics, such as frontal lobe epilepsy and work in the prognosis after epilepsy surgery, led her to a scientific interest in intracranial neurophysiology and brain stimulation. She and her team have participated in multiple multicenter trials involving brain stimulation. Following intractable epilepsy patients for prolonged periods, she observed that the cognitive and psychiatric consequences of epilepsy are as disabling as the seizures.

She now studies the interaction of cognition and neurophysiology. Her work has included improving cognition with invasive brain stimulation as well as developing and implementing a cognitive-behavioral program for memory problems in epilepsy (HOBSCOTCH). She has coordinated the Managing Epilepsy Well network, one of the thematic research networks of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which aims to improve the quality of life of patients with epilepsy through self-management.

Dr. Jobst is well-published in her field and a sought-after national and international speaker. She is on the editorial board of *Neurology* and *Epilepsia*, active in multiple professional societies and has additional leadership training as a graduate of the Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine program. She completed her medical training at the Friedrich-Alexander Universität in Erlangen and the Krankenhaus der Barmherzigen Brüder in Regensburg, Germany.

This award, supported by the AES J. Kiffin Penry Fund, was established in 1997 in honor of Dr. Penry's lifelong focus on and genuine concern for the patient with epilepsy. It recognizes individuals whose work has had a major impact on patient care and improved the quality of life for persons with epilepsy. The award includes a \$3,000 honorarium.

***About the American Epilepsy Society***

*Founded in 1946, the American Epilepsy Society (AES) is a medical and*

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*scientific society whose members are dedicated to advancing research and education for preventing, treating and curing epilepsy. AES is an inclusive global forum where professionals from academia, private practice, not-for-profit, government and industry can learn, share and grow to eradicate epilepsy and its consequences.*

*For more information, visit the American Epilepsy Society online at [aesnet.org](http://aesnet.org). Join the AES Annual Meeting social conversation today by following @AmEpilepsySoc on Twitter and use the hashtag #AES2019.*

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