

From QC to Path-Breaking Neuroscientist: A Conversation with Dr. Jeffrey H. Kordower BA '80, MS '82

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received his bachelor's (1980) and master's (1982) degree from Queens College and his PhD (1984) in neuropsychology from the City University of New York. He is the founding director of the Arizona State University

Banner Neurodegenerative Disease Research Center and holds the endowed chair as The Charlene and J. Orin Edson Distinguished Director at the Biodesign Institute at ASU. He has been a pioneer in the field of neural transplantation techniques, and his pathbreaking investigations into the underpinnings of neurodegenerative disease have made him a leader in the field. Kordower's interests include the study of gene and

stem cell therapies, disease pathogenesis (including the morphological and molecular changes during the course of neurodegeneration), learning and memory, and aging.

He has published over 400 peer-reviewed papers and chapters, has an H-index of 105 (an author-level metric that measures both the productivity and citation impact of the publications), and has 21 papers that are citation classics (cited over 400 times). Prior to ASU, he was at the Rush University Medical Center in Chicago where he was a faculty member for more than 30 years.