Brief Biography

Professor Linda J. Hood, Ph.D.

Linda J. Hood, Ph.D., is a Professor and Hearing Scientist in the Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences and Director of the Auditory Physiology Laboratory at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, USA. She completed an NIH post-doctoral fellowship and was a faculty member at the Kresge Hearing Research Laboratory, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana for 24 years. Dr. Hood's research career, supported primarily by research grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD), focuses on auditory physiology in peripheral and central systems, characterizing auditory function using objective approaches, auditory neuropathy/auditory synaptopathy, efferent auditory function, hereditary hearing loss, auditory function across the lifespan, and comparative hearing studies. Her research is reflected in peer-reviewed scientific publications, textbooks, chapters, invited review articles, and numerous scientific presentations at national and international venues. Dr. Hood participates in review panels and working groups of the NIH-NIDCD, is a consultant and active participant in the work of the World Health Organization (WHO), and is an Associate Editor and member of the Editorial Board of the journal *Ear and Hearing*. Dr. Hood is a Past President of the American Academy of Audiology, the American Auditory Society, and the International Society of Audiology. She has served as an Honorary Professor at the University of Queensland, Australia, a visiting professor at the University of Hong Kong, an International Key Scientist with the Australian Hearing Collaborative Research Centre (CRC), and a visiting lecturer at the University of Chile. Among other awards, Dr. Hood has received the Honors of the Association from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, the Jerger Career Award for Research in Audiology from the American Academy of Audiology, the Hallowell Davis Lectureship from the International Evoked Response Audiometry Study Group, the Aram Glorig Award from the International Society of Audiology, and the Life Achievement Award from the American Auditory Society.