Intramuscular Stimulation (IMS) is a total system for the diagnosis and treatment of neuromusculoskeletal pain syndromes and neuropathic dysfunction in the peripheral nervous system.



Dr. Chan Gunn

Dr. Gunn is a Vancouver doctor with a world-wide reputation for relieving chronic pain without drugs. A pioneer in the treatment of pain, Gunn is noted for introducing a new theory for chronic pain and also for developing a method of needle treatment known as intramuscular stimulation (IMS). He specializes in alleviating chronic pain due to nerve damage (neuropathy) which is specifically helped by using acupuncture needles for intramuscular stimulation (IMS).

Dr. Gunn matriculated at Peterhouse, Cambridge University, and was elected to an Honorary Fellowship of the College in 1997. He is president of the Institute for the Study and Treatment of Pain in Vancouver, Clinical Professor at the University of Washington in Seattle, and Honorary Professor at the University of British Columbia.

Dr. Gunn has been awarded the Order of British Columbia, and is a member of the Order of Canada, the Nation's highest honor. Dr. Gunn was admitted as a Companion of the Guild of Cambridge Benefactors and elected as a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. He has also received the Janet Travell Clinical Pain Management Award in 2003.

Over the years, Gunn IMS has trained hundreds of doctors and physiotherapists from all around the world. Dr. Gunn has endowed the University of British Columbia with the responsibility of teaching and researching the Gunn IMS model of chronic pain.