

*Congratulations*  
**Ken Gustafson, PhD**

VA RR&D Merit Review



The Cleveland FES Center congratulates Ken Gustafson, PhD on receiving a VA RR&D Merit Review for his project entitled, "Chronic Electrical Stimulation to Reduce Bladder Hyperreflexia."

The long-term goal is to develop and clinically implement a "bladder pacemaker" able to restore bladder continence for Veterans with spinal cord injury (SCI). This proposal will determine the long-term effectiveness of genital nerve stimulation (GNS) to chronically reduce urinary incontinence and improve quality of life for Veterans with SCI.

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### About the FES Center

The Cleveland FES Center is a consortium of the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, MetroHealth Medical Center, Case Western Reserve University, University Hospitals, and the Cleveland Clinic Neurological Institute. With their support, researchers, engineers and clinicians collaborate together to develop innovative solutions that improve the quality of life of individuals with neurological or other muscular skeletal impairments. Through the use of neurostimulation and neuromodulation research and applications, the Cleveland FES Center leads the translation of this technology into clinical deployment.