

Jean-Martin Charcot (French: [ʃaʁko]; 29 November 1825 – 16 August 1893) was a French neurologist and professor of anatomical pathology.

He worked on hypnosis and hysteria, in particular with his hysteria patient Louise Augustine Gleizes.

Charcot is known as “the founder of modern neurology”, and his name has been associated with at least 15 medical eponyms, including various conditions sometimes referred to as Charcot diseases.

Charcot has been referred to as “the father of French neurology and one of the world's pioneers of neurology”.

His work greatly influenced the developing fields of neurology and psychology; modern psychiatry owes much to the work of Charcot and his direct followers.

He was the “foremost neurologist of late nineteenth-century France” and has been called “the Napoleon of the neuroses”.

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