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Clinical Interests Dr. Diaz's clinical focus is centered on the treatment of disorders of the ear, temporal bone, and lateral skull base. He has particular interest and training in the treatment of: acoustic neuroma and other tumors of the cerebellopontine angle, tumors of the temporal bone and lateral skull base, Ménière's Disease and endolymphatic hydrops, sensorineural hearing loss, including cochlear implantation, vertigo and imbalance, otosclerosis, ossicular chain discontinuity, chronic ear disease cholesteatoma, and traumatic skull base injury.

Dr. Diaz's research focus concerns the electrophysiologic and molecular biologic mechanisms of inner ear homeostasis and electrolyte transport dynamics central to hearing and balance function.

Dr. Diaz is currently investigating: potassium cycling and lateral wall transport processes, generation and regulation of the endocochlear potential, age related hearing loss, and syndromic and non-syndromic forms of hereditary hearing loss.

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Honors and Awards	Inductee Best Doctors in America Best Doctors, Inc., 2011 Inductee Best Doctors Database Sacramento Business Journal, September, 2011 Inductee Best Doctors Database Sacramento Magazine, December, 2011 Resident Travel Award Association for Research in Otolaryngology Midwinter Meeting, Orlando, FL, 2003 Resident Travel Award American Academy of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, 2003 Overall Research Symposium Award Bay Area Residents’ Research Symposium (BARRS) Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, Oakland, CA, 2003 Resident Research Award – Graduation Research Forum Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery University of California, Davis Medical Center, Sacramento, CA, 2003 Research Award, Department of Otolaryngology, UC Davis Medical Center, 2003 First Place, Bay Area Residents’ Research Symposium in Otolaryngology, 2003 Graduation Award for Excellence in Otolaryngology, UC Davis, 1999
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