Dr. Bruce Reed Named Director of CSR’s Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging

The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) has recruited Dr. Bruce Reed to be the new Director of its Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging. He comes from the University of California, Davis, where he has been a professor of neurology and Associate Director of its NIH-funded Alzheimer’s Disease Center as well as a neuropsychologist at Veterans Affairs Northern California in Martinez.

"The search committee and I were compelled by Dr. Reed’s impressive expertise and experience,” said CSR Director Dr. Richard Nakamura. "He is a well-published neuroscientist in a variety of fields including Alzheimer’s, and he has significant management experience.” Dr. Nakamura noted that Dr. Reed also brings valued extramural perspectives, including those of a long-time reviewer. He also has served as Chair of CSR’s Adult Psychopathology and Disorders of Aging, and the Clinical Neuroscience and Neurodegeneration study sections.

The Division of Neuroscience, Development and Aging, coordinates reviews of NIH grant applications—both basic and clinical—in five integrated review groups (IRG), which include 40-50 CSR study sections that are managed by about 40 Scientific Review Officers:

- Biology of Development and Aging IRG
- Brain Disorders and Clinical Neuroscience IRG
- Emerging Technologies and Training in Neurosciences IRG
- Integrative, Functional and Cognitive Neuroscience IRG
- Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience IRG

Dr. Reed earned his Ph.D. from the State University of New York at Stony Brook School of Medicine, and he did his postdoctoral training at Braintree Hospital in Braintree, Massachusetts, in conjunction with Tufts New England Medical College and Boston University Medical College.

His research has expanded our understanding of risk factors—especially vascular factors—that accelerate cognitive decline in old age, as well as factors such as cognitive reserve that protect against decline. He is expert in neuropsychological and brain imaging methods, and he has extensive experience in the use of demographically diverse aging cohorts to better understand the heterogeneity of cognitive aging.

About CSR
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