Dr. Emily Foley Named Chief of the Applied Immunology and Disease Control (AIDC) Integrated Review Group

Dr. Emily Foley has been selected as the Chief of the Applied Immunology and Disease Control (AIDC) Integrated Review Group (IRG) at the Center for Scientific Review. Dr. Foley joined CSR in 2019 as a scientific review officer in the Genes, Genomes, and Genetics IRG. In that position, she oversaw the Molecular Genetics B study section and the creation of the new Maximizing Investigators’ Research Award A (MRAA) study section, including the development of the initial MRAA nomination slate. She most recently served as the Acting Chief of the AIDC IRG.

Dr. Foley brings an innate understanding of the chief position balanced with exceptional communication skills, a rich understanding of policy and best practice, and self-awareness and good judgment. During her time as Acting Chief of AIDC, she successfully leveraged her past experience in leading a productive research group and as a strong SRO, demonstrating a strong managerial skillset that will serve the AIDC IRG exceedingly well.

As AIDC Chief, Dr. Foley will oversee three standing panels and seven recurring special emphasis panels that cover a range of topics related to immunological, biological, and chemical strategies for infectious disease intervention, control, and prevention.

Dr. Foley earned a Ph.D. in biological chemistry and molecular pharmacology from Harvard University and did her postdoctoral training at The Rockefeller University. Immediately prior to joining CSR, she was an Assistant Professor at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center where her NIH-funded research focused on the molecular mechanisms of cell division.