



Appointment of Executive Director, Brain Repair Centre

Dr. Ivar Mendez, Chair of the Brain Repair Centre, is pleased to announce the appointment of **Mr. Lorne Ferguson** as the new Executive Director of the Centre, effective February 5, 2007. The Brain Repair Centre is a multi-disciplinary research collaboration of Dalhousie University, Capital Health, IWK Health Centre and the National Research Council, linking more than 100 world-class researchers and physicians specializing in groundbreaking treatments and technologies in the field of brain repair.

Lorne Ferguson brings over 35 years of experience in academic, government and private sector business environments. He began his career in the federal government. In 1981 he moved to Dalhousie University where his roles included University administrative operations, the President's Office, and Senior Administrative Officer for the Faculty of Medicine. In 1986 he was appointed Director of Analysis and Planning for the Nova Scotia Government Policy Board. In 1996 InNOVAcorp, the Province's technology commercialization crown corporation, recruited him as Executive Director Corporate Planning and Evaluation. Since 2004, Lorne has been an independent management consultant, specializing in life science, environmental and information technology business development for international markets. As a volunteer in the community, he serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Film Festival Association, and is a mentor to new small businesses with Entrepreneurs Forum.

Lorne's experience, knowledge and qualifications obtained in academic, government and private sectors will serve as invaluable assets, as the Brain Repair Centre moves into the next exciting phase of its development. His new role will emphasize development strategies, promotion of commercialization and industry partnerships, communications and relationships with key stakeholders.

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