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**The Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research's
Fall 2024 Gold Medal Recipient
R. Nick Bryan, MD, PhD, FACR**



The Academy for Radiology & Biomedical Imaging Research is proud to announce Dr. R. Nick Bryan as the Fall 2024 Academy Gold Medal Recipient.

Established in 2014, the [Academy Gold Medal](#) is awarded for extraordinary contributions to advancing imaging and radiology research. This award recognizes those who have raised the profile of imaging research and encouraged future efforts on behalf of medical advances.

Dr. Bryan is an Emeritus Professor of Radiology at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. His involvement with the Academy began at its genesis – in fact, he was close both professionally and personally with many of those who founded the Academy. Dr. Bryan had close working relationships with Drs. Stanley Baum and Douglas Maynard, both of whom were previous recipients of the Academy's Gold Medal award. He was also a mentor of Drs. Mitchell Schnall and Carolyn Meltzer, previous Academy presidents.

On the early days of the Academy, Dr. Bryan noted that:

"The Academy not only fostered financial and political support from the NIH, but also support from other professional organizations that don't have a primary research focus."

Dr. Bryan played an integral role in the formation of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB). From 1998 – 2000, he was the Director of Radiology at the NIH Clinical Center, just prior to the establishment of NIBIB. During his time in this role, Dr. Bryan worked alongside the Academy and other professional organizations to progress the foundation of the NIBIB.

“Nick's experience as an NIH insider was invaluable to help develop the academy's strategies to establish the NIBIB and then grow its impact.” – Dr. Mitchell Schnall, Academy CIBR Chair

Dr. Bryan received his MD in 1969 at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas, as well his Post Doc in Neuroscience in 1971, and his PhD in anatomy in 1973. He served as an associate professor of Clinical Radiology at Columbia University, associate attending radiologist in the New York Neurological Institute, and then as Director of Neuroradiology at Houston's Methodist Hospital. From 1988 – 1999, he served in various positions at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, including professor, director, and Vice Chair of the Department of Radiology. In 1999 he relocated to Philadelphia, where he was appointed Chair of Radiology at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. In 2016, Dr. Bryan helped found the Department of Diagnostic Medicine at the new Dell Medical School at the University of Texas, Austin. His career has been research-driven, primarily in the field of neuroradiology. His research expertise lies in cerebral MRI findings and cognitive functioning, applications of perfusion MRI for neurological studies, development of spatially-oriented databases for digital brain images, MRI evaluation of stroke, and physiologic imaging of human brain tumors.

The Academy will honor Dr. Bryan and the 2024 Academy Class of Distinguished Investigators at RSNA 2024 during a special ceremony and reception, which will take place from 3:00-5:00 PM CT in Room S105D on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, in Chicago, IL.

More information on this award and the Academy's events at RSNA 2024 [can be found on the Academy website.](#)

