

Robert A. Stern, Ph.D.
Biographical Summary

Dr. Robert Stern is Professor of Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Anatomy and Neurobiology at Boston University School of Medicine (BUSM), where he is also Director of the Clinical Core of the BU Alzheimer's Disease and CTE Center (one of only 27 Alzheimer's disease centers funded by the National Institutes of Health or (NIH)). Dr. Stern oversees clinical research studies related to Alzheimer's disease (AD) at BUSM, including several clinical trials for the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of AD. In addition, a major focus of his research involves the long-term effects of repetitive head impacts in athletes, including the neurodegenerative disease, chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE). He has funding from NIH and the Department of Defense for his work on developing methods of detecting and diagnosing CTE during life, as well as examining potential genetic and other risk factors for this disease. Dr. Stern has received several NIH and other national grants, has over 250 publications, and is a Fellow of both the American Neuropsychiatric Association and the National Academy of Neuropsychology. He is on several journal editorial boards and is the Chair of the Advisory Council to the Medical Scientific Committee of the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. He is on the Medical Advisory Board of Sports Legacy Institute, and is also a member of the Mackey-White Traumatic Brain Injury Committee of the NFL Players Association. Dr. Stern is a clinician, educator, and mentor. He has testified before the US Senate Special Committee on Aging and he appears frequently in national and international print and broadcast media for his work on AD and CTE.