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Conquer Chiari is excited to announce that Dr. Francis Loth, the Executive Director of the Conquer Chiari Research Center (CCRC) has taken a faculty position at Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts.

Northeastern is ranked in the top 50 of US universities by US News & World Report, is considered a Tier-1 research institution by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education and received over \$180 million in external research funding in the 2019-2020 academic year.

According to Rick Labuda, Executive Director of Conquer Chiari the CCRC will now grow to two locations, “We are excited to continue our unique partnership with Dr. Loth and his team at their new home, and we are as equally excited to continue our partnership with the University of Akron. The Northeastern facility will focus on image and engineering analysis, while the Akron facility, under the direction of Dr. Phil Allen, will focus on the cognitive and psychological impact of Chiari, plus additional quality of life issues.”

According to Dr. Loth, this presents a tremendous opportunity to expand the CCRC, “Northeastern is a world-class institution located near important clinical partners such as Harvard and Brown Universities. Although it will take time to build out, the CCRC at Northeastern will be a unique research space with access to an MRI machine in the same building. I am excited to continue, and expand, our efforts to understand Chiari and have a positive impact on patients and their families.”