

Dr. T.H. Bullock appointed professor of neurosciences

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Appointment of Dr. Theodore H. Bullock as professor of neurosciences in the University of California, San Diego's School of Medicine was announced today by Dr. Joseph Stokes III, Dean of the School of Medicine, and Dr. Robert B. Livingston, Chairman of the Department of Neurosciences.

Dr. Bullock joined the UCSD faculty on July 1 after serving for 20 years as professor of zoology and member of the Brain Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles.

"Dr. Bullock has been a student of comparative neurology, especially that of the lower animals, for 30 years," Dean Stokes said. "He has written more than 80 research papers on both invertebrates and vertebrates and has taught the subject since 1941.

"We are particularly pleased to have him on our staff, for he brings with him a broad experience in both the anatomical and physiological approach to comparative neurology and in the related fields of general invertebrate zoology and comparative physiology.

"His laboratory at UCLA produced nearly 20 Doctors of Philosophy and had 40 visiting postdoctoral workers from 11 countries."

Born in Nanking, China, Professor Bullock studied at the University of California, Berkeley, both as an undergraduate and as a graduate student; he received his Ph.D. degree there in 1940.

From Berkeley, he went to Yale University as a Sterling Fellow in 1940 and as a Rockefeller Fellow in 1941. From 1942 to 1944 he taught neuroanatomy at Yale University Medical School.

In 1944 he went to the University of Missouri Medical School, where he taught until 1946. He joined the UCLA faculty in 1946. In 1959-60 he was a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University.

Dr. Bullock's many honors, awards, and offices include these: Fulbright Fellow, Naples Zoological Station (1950-51); Trustee, Marine Biological Corporation, Woods Hole, Mass. (1954-56); National Science Foundation, Senior Postdoctoral Fellow, (1957-58); Chairman, Division of Comparative Anatomy, American Society of Zoologists (1961); President, American Society of Zoologists (1965); member, National Academy of Sciences.

Professor Bullock has been a member of the editorial boards of the Journal of Neurophysiology, Physiological Reviews, and Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology.

He also is chairman of the National Advisory Board for the Alpha Helix, UCSD's Scripps Institution of Oceanography's ocean-going biological laboratory currently operating off Australia's Great Barrier Reef. Earlier this summer he headed one of the four research programs, an investigation into the neurophysiology of organisms, being conducted during Scripps' Billabong Expedition to the Reef.

The 1965 publication of Structure and Function in the Nervous Systems of Invertebrates (Freeman, San Francisco), co-authored by Dr. Bullock and Dr. G. Adrian Horridge, director of the Gatty Marine Laboratory and Reader at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, was praised by a Science magazine reviewer in the July 23, 1965 issue, who concluded, "For as long as men investigate nervous systems and try to understand their perplexing ways, so long will Bullock and Horridge be remembered with gratitude." The two-volume edition has gained recognition in scientific circles as a leading text on the subject.

Dr. Bullock and his wife have two children: a daughter, Chris, who will be a junior at University of Redlands, Redlands, Calif., this fall, and a son, Steve, who will be a high school senior. The family will continue to reside in Los Angeles for the coming year.

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