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Dr. Lee Knauss became IARPA's Chief of Technology Transition in 2016, after supporting IARPA since 2008 as a government contractor providing technical and programmatic support to several programs, and later leading a team of technical and programmatic contractor staff. Prior to IARPA, Dr. Knauss worked at Neocera for 12 years as director of their magnetic field imaging product line. He led the transition of this technology from research labs at the University of Maryland to a commercial product that was ultimately adopted by many major semiconductor companies around the world. Prior to Neocera, he spent two years on a postdoctoral fellowship at the Naval Research Laboratory working on ferroelectric thin films for electro-optic applications. He holds a bachelor's degree in physics from Moravian College, and a master's and doctorate in physics from Lehigh University. He holds several patents in magnetic imaging and materials processing, and was recently selected as a Fellow of the ASM International.

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