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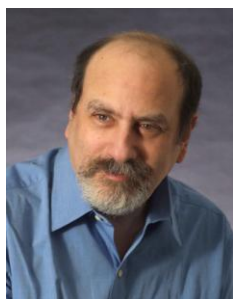
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Dr. Seymour Garte to Be the New Director of CSR's Division of Physiological and Pathological Sciences

The NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR) named Dr. Seymour Garte the director of the [Division of Physiological and Pathological Sciences](#).

"Dr. Garte joins us from outside the NIH after an impressive nationwide search," said CSR Director Dr. Toni Scarpa. "His contribution to science has been tremendous and I am confident that his contribution to the NIH will be equally great.

"Equally important, he will bring precious experience from his interactions with scientists and societies in this country and abroad."



Dr. Garte comes to CSR from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, where he was a professor of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences and a member of the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute.

An alumnus of the City University of New York with a Ph.D. in biochemistry and a bachelor's of science degree in chemistry, Dr. Garte was a professor at New York University Medical Center's Department of Environmental Medicine and at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, School of Public Health. He also was Scientific Director of the Genetics Research Institute in Milan, Italy.

Dr. Garte has published over 200 scientific publications in genetics, epidemiology, the environment and other areas. He is the author of *Where We Stand: A Surprising Look at the Real State of the Planet*, (Amacom) and *Genetic Susceptibility to Environmental Carcinogenesis* (Kluwer) and is co-editor of *Molecular Epidemiology of Chronic Diseases* (Wiley).

CSR recently realigned like-science Integrated Review Groups within five divisions to better reflect the science represented. The division Dr. Garte will head was called the Division of Biologic Basis of Disease before CSR finalized the realignment. CSR divisions are composed of peer review groups that assess NIH grant applications for scientific merit.

The newly named Division of Physiological and Pathological Sciences reviews applications related to endocrinology and reproduction, immunological, infectious diseases and microbiology, nutritional and metabolic, digestive and urological areas. It contains four review groups and 31 study sections, with one scientific review officer assigned to each section.

His tenure at CSR begins July 2009.

About CSR

CSR organizes the peer review groups that evaluate the majority of grant applications submitted to NIH. These groups include experienced and respected researchers from across the country and abroad. Since 1946, CSR's mission has been to see that NIH grant applications receive fair, independent, expert, and timely reviews — free from inappropriate influences — so NIH can fund the most promising research. CSR also receives all incoming applications and assigns them to the NIH institutes and centers that fund grants. For more information, go to CSR's Web site—<http://www.csr.nih.gov>—or phone 301-435-1111.

About NIH

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