

Patrick Sissons MD, FMed Sci

Patrick Sissons graduated from St. Mary's Hospital, London, and undertook his postgraduate clinical and research training in nephrology and immunology in the Department of Medicine at the Royal Postgraduate Medical School (RPMS), in London. After four years as an NIH Fogarty Fellow at the Scripps Research Institute (La Jolla, Ca) where he acquired an interest in the immunology and pathogenesis of persistent virus infections, he returned to RPMS as a Wellcome Senior Lecturer, and then Professor of Infectious Disease. In 1988 he moved to the Professorship of Medicine in the University of Cambridge, where with colleagues he established an academic Division of Infectious Disease in the Department of Medicine, developed the Infectious Disease Service and was Director of Medical Services in Cambridge University Hospitals. His group's research focuses on the biology and pathogenesis of human cytomegalovirus infection (supported by an MRC programme held with his colleague John Sinclair), and he has served on numerous national grants committees and advisory bodies.

He became Regius Professor of Physic and Head of the School of Clinical Medicine in Cambridge in 2005, and Director of Cambridge University Health Partners, one of five formally designated Academic Health Science Centres in the UK, in 2009.