# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew

### Overview of the Collection

**Repository:** The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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Creator: Pettigrew, Roderic

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew,

Dates: December 19, 2019

Bulk Dates: 2019

**Physical Description:** 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:03:58).

**Abstract:** Medical scientist Dr. Roderic I. Pettigrew (1951 - ) served as the founding director of the

National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering at the National Institutes of Health from 2002 to 2017, before joining Texas A&M University as chief executive officer of EnHealth and executive dean for EnMed. Pettigrew was interviewed by The

HistoryMakers® on December 19, 2019, in Chicago, Illinois. This collection is

comprised of the original video footage of the interview.

**Identification:** A2019 145

**Language:** The interview and records are in English.

# Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Medical scientist Dr. Roderic I. Pettigrew was born on March 26, 1951 in Albany, Georgia to Edwina Phinazee and Dr. Cleveland William Pettigrew. Pettigrew received his M.S. degree in nuclear science and engineering from Morehouse College in 1972, his M.S. degree in nuclear science and engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1972, his Ph.D. degree in applied radiation physics from the Massachusetts Institutes of Technology in 1977, and his M.D. degree from the University of Miami School of Medicine in 1979.

In 1980, Pettigrew interned and completed his residency at Emory University. He did an additional residency in nuclear medicine at the University of California, San Diego. In 1983, Pettigrew joined Picker International as a clinical research scientist, where he developed the company's first commercial cardiac imaging technology. In 1984, he joined Emory University School of Medicine as a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Fellow where his work centered on non-invasive cardiac imaging. Pettigrew was promoted to associate professor of radiology with tenure in 1990, professor of radiology in 1996, and professor of cardiology in 2000. He also served as director of the Frederik Philips Magnetic Resonance Research Center in 1994 and director of the Emory Center for MR Research in 1999. Pettigrew's work at Emory University centered around four-dimensional imaging of the cardiovascular system using magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). Pettigrew was appointed founding director of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in 2002. During his tenure, Pettigrew served on numerous NIH committees, including the ethics advisory committee from 2005 to 2015, the director's steering committee from 2006 to 2014, as chair of the information and technology working group from 2007 to 2013, and the scientific management review board from 2011 to 2016. From 2012 to 2014, Pettigrew served as acting chief officer for scientific workforce diversity at the National Institutes of Health. In 2017, he stepped down as director of NIBIB to serve as chief executive officer of EnHealth and executive dean for EnMed at Texas A&M University.

Pettigrew served on numerous boards, including the American Heart Association from 1994 to 2000 and the Society for Cardiovascular Magnetic Resonance from 1998 to 2001. In 2003, he was elected chair of the National Advisory Council on Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering.

Pettigrew was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 2007, and to the National Academy of Engineering in 2010. In 2012, the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a resolution in honor of Pettigrew's accomplishments with the NIBIB; and, in 2016, he was elected to the Foreign Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences India (NASI). His awards include the Pierre Galletti Award from the American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering in 2013, the Inaugural Gold Medal Award from the Academy of Radiology Research in 2014, and the Gold Medal from the Radiological Society of North America in 2017.

Dr. Roderic I. Pettigrew was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on December 19, 2019.

# **Scope and Content**

This life oral history interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew was conducted by Larry Crowe on December 19, 2019, in Chicago, Illinois, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Medical scientist Dr. Roderic I. Pettigrew (1951 - ) served as the founding director of the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering at the National Institutes of Health from 2002 to 2017, before joining Texas A&M University as chief executive officer of EnHealth and executive dean for EnMed.

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Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

#### **Controlled Access Terms**

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

#### Persons:

Pettigrew, Roderic

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

## Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Pettigrew, Roderic--Interviews

## **Organizations:**

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

# **Occupations:**

Medical Scientist

# **HistoryMakers® Category:**

MedicalMakers

#### Administrative Information

## **Custodial History**

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

#### Preferred Citation

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## **Processing Information**

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

# **Other Finding Aid**

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

## **Detailed Description of the Collection**

#### **Series I: Original Interview Footage**

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_001, TRT: 1:30:36?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_002, TRT: 2:29:01?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_003, TRT: 3:31:05?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_004, TRT: 4:30:50?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_005, TRT: 5:28:36?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_006, TRT: 6:31:40?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_007, TRT: 7:28:47?

Video Oral History Interview with Dr. Roderic Pettigrew, Section A2019\_145\_001\_008, TRT: 8:33:23?