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Cristos Coutifaris is the Celso Ramon Garcia Professor and Vice Chair for Faculty Development in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Pennsylvania. He served as Chief of the Division of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility and Clinical

Director of Penn Fertility Care from 1998 to 2018. After graduation from Amherst College, he received MD and PhD degrees from Penn and completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology and a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. He has directed clinical and basic research programs in reproduction under continuous NIH grant support for more than 25 years. His research, currently funded by an NICHD P50 grant, focuses on understanding the cellular and molecular basis of human trophoblast function leading to abnormal placentation and adverse perinatal outcomes following treatments with Assisted Reproductive Technologies. He served as principal investigator of the Penn site of the NIH-funded Reproductive Medicine Network, of which Penn had been a member since the Network's inception in 1990, until the Network's end in 2019. His CV lists over 180 publications. Dr. Coutifaris has been a member of several Federal Advisory Committees including the Reproductive Endocrinology Study Section of the National Institutes of Health and he has participated in and chaired special emphasis review panels of the NIH. He was a member of the Division of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, was President of the Society of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility and was on the Executive Board of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He served as President (2017-18) and just completed his five-year term on the presidential chain of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine. In 2017, he was elected to the United States National Academy of Medicine.