

Dr. Paul D. Saltman selected to receive Intra-Science Research Foundation's "Distinguished Health Sciences Service Award" and will present the Intra-Science Founder's Lecture

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Dr. Paul D. Saltman, Vice-Chancellor - Academic Affairs at the University of California, San Diego, has been selected to receive the Intra-Science Research Foundation's "Distinguished Health Sciences Service Award" and to present the Intra-Science Founder's Lecture for 1978.

The Intra-Science Research Foundation is an educational and scientific foundation based in Los Angeles. The lecture and the awards ceremony are scheduled to take place at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 11, at the Museum of Science and Industry in Los Angeles. Saltman will talk on "The Renaissance of Trace Elements."

The Intra-Science Health Sciences Distinguished Service Award has been given only once before (in 1975) to Dr. Franz Bauer. According to Theodore A. Venia, chairman of the foundation, the award was created to recognize uniquely distinguished service in the field of the health sciences.

"Our selection panel was unanimous in its nomination of Dr. Saltman for this award based on his philosophy, attainments and dynamic approach to problems in the health sciences," Venia said.

Saltman came to UC San Diego in July 1967, as a professor of biology and provost of Revelle College. He was appointed Vice-Chancellor Academic Affairs in February 1972.

He had served 14 years on the faculty at the University of Southern California prior to coming to the San Diego campus. He earned both his B.S. degree in chemistry and his Ph.D. in biochemistry at the California Institute of Technology.

Saltman is very active in the teaching program for both undergraduate and graduate students. While at USC he received the university "Excellence in Teaching" award and at UC San Diego received the Revelle College Best Teacher Award in 1971.

He maintains an active and productive interest in biomedical research with particular emphasis on trace metal metabolism, the chemistry and biochemistry of iron, and nutritional aspects of iron supplementation in anemias. A main concern for Saltman has been the problem in communicating recent important scientific developments to the layman. He has appeared on many television programs in the San Diego and Los Angeles areas interpreting biology for the layman and has presented several radio programs concerning such topics as "Science, Philosophy and Religion," the need for the creative mind and evolution.

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