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## Global Warming: A Real Thriller

To the Editor:

In "State of Fear," Michael Crichton vilifies scientists who warn us about the dangers of global warming -- dangers accepted as very real by scientists ("New Climate Thriller").

Mr. Crichton seems to have forgotten one clinical lesson he and I learned while classmates at Harvard Medical School: When there is sufficient evidence of a medical emergency, a physician must act early and decisively to save the patient, even if all the tests are not in.

Such is the case with global warming, which poses potentially catastrophic risks to human health.

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