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**OncoLive® inducts the Giants of Cancer Care® 2020**  
**The award in the Breast Cancer category goes to**  
**Professor Martine Piccart,**  
**Director of Scientific Research at the Jules Bordet Institute**



09/10/2020 - OncoLive®, the international multimedia information platform dedicated to oncology, has announced the eighth annual Giants of Cancer Care® class of inductees. Every year this recognition programme honours 15 leaders of world renown who have achieved notable success in the field of oncology. We are pleased to announce the induction of Professor Martine Piccart M.D., Ph.D. for the Breast

**Cancer category. A notable recognition for a life's work in the service of cancer patients and in fighting breast cancer.**

Professor Martine Piccart is Scientific Director at the Jules Bordet Institute and founder of BIG, the "Breast International Group", the world's largest clinical research network in the field of breast cancer. Professor Piccart's induction as one of the Giants of Cancer Care is further recognition of her major scientific contribution in the field of breast cancer, its treatment and clinical research against cancer.

The virtual awards will be on 5 November at 7.30 pm and will be available on request at [www.giantsofcancercare.com](http://www.giantsofcancercare.com) after the event.

For further information and to register for the virtual awards ceremony please go to <https://www.giantsofcancercare.com/rsvp>.

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## About the Jules Bordet Institute

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An integrated multidisciplinary centre, unique in Belgium, the Jules Bordet Institute is an autonomous hospital devoted exclusively to cancer.

For 80 75 years, the Jules Bordet Institute has been providing its patients with diagnostic and therapeutic strategies at the forefront of progress to prevent, detect and actively combat cancer. The Institute pursues three missions: care, research and teaching. Its international reputation attracts the world's leading cancer experts. Its spirit of innovation has enabled it to participate in the development and discovery of major new methods of diagnosis and treatment with the aim of bringing the findings to the patient as rapidly as possible.

In May 2018, the Jules Bordet Institute received official accreditation and designation from the OECI (Organisation of European Cancer Institutes) as a "Comprehensive Cancer Centre", a quality label reserved for multidisciplinary cancer care institutions whose activities include research and teaching. The only Comprehensive Cancer Center accredited by the OECI in Belgium.

The Jules Bordet Institute is a member of the Iris and Université Libre de Bruxelles hospital networks. With its 160 beds dedicated exclusively to cancer patients, every year the Institute treats more than 6,000 in-patients., 15,000 out-patients and provides 84,000 consultations. To effectively meet future demographic and scientific developments, a new Bordet Institute is being built on the ULB Anderlecht campus, next to the Erasmus Hospital. Inauguration is scheduled for the end of 2021.

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## About the Friends of the Bordet Institute

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For more than 50 years, "The Friends of the Bordet Institute" have been financing research against cancer research at the Jules Bordet Institute, the reference centre in the fight against cancer in Belgium and abroad. As the Institute's biggest private donor, it has given close to 13 million euros to the Institute in the past five years.

Considerable progress has been made in the field of oncology in recent years. Our understanding of the biological origin of cancer is growing all the time. Whereas 10 years ago we spoke of the microscopic analysis of tumours, today we speak of genetic profile, of sequencing, etc. Dozens of new molecules and markers have been developed, permitting the advent of personalised treatment. This progress has to a large extent been made possible through the extraordinary technological progress of recent years. But these new techniques that now enable us to probe the infinitesimally small are increasingly expensive.

For more than 50 years, the help of the "Friends" has enabled the Jules Bordet Institute to pursue its research using the most advanced technologies, thereby providing patients with the most innovative screening and treatment techniques. Techniques that generate life and hope.

By helping and supporting "The Friends of the Bordet Institute" you are participating in the many research programmes that they support and that all pursue a single aim: victory for life.

To find out more about the association The Friends of the Jules Bordet Institute, go to the website [www.amis-bordet.be](http://www.amis-bordet.be)

To find out more about the "101 tables pour la vie", go to the website [www.101tables.com](http://www.101tables.com)

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