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Martine J. Piccart, MD, PhD, is Professor of Oncology at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB) and Director of Medicine at the Jules Bordet Institute, in Brussels, Belgium. Earning her medical degrees at the ULB and oncology qualifications in New York and London, she is also member of the Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine.

With a primary interest in breast cancer and drug development, Dr. Piccart is a leader in international research collaboration and is the principal or co-principal investigator of many clinical trials, including HERA, MINDACT and ALTT0. She is co-founder and chair of the Breast International Group (BIG), uniting 49 academic research groups from around the world and running over 30 trials under its umbrella. BIG's research programs include the European Commission supported TRANSBIG consortium of 28 institutions in 11 countries (running with the EORTC the MINDACT trial) and NeoBIG, an innovative biomarker and drug development program focused on neo-adjuvant trials.

Dr. Piccart is active in numerous professional organizations. Since January 2014, she is President of the ECCO. She is past-president of the EORTC, immediate past-president of the ESMO and served on the ASCO Board.

(Co) author of more than 420 publications in peer-reviewed journals, she has received numerous prestigious awards for her research contributions including the Jill Rose Award (New York), the William L. McGuire Award (San Antonio) and, the Umberto Veronesi Award for the Future Fight against Cancer (Cancun). She has just received the prestigious David A. Karnofsky Memorial Award at the 2013 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) meeting in Chicago.