



International Myeloma Foundation

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BRIAN G. M. DURIE, M.D.

Chairman and Medical Director

Brian G.M. Durie, M.D., is national director for hematological malignancies at Aptium Oncology, and myeloma specialist at Cedars-Sinai Outpatient Cancer Center. He is co-founder, chairman and medical director of the International Myeloma Foundation, a member of its Scientific Advisory Board and co-chairman of the myeloma gene bank, Bank On A Cure®.



Dr. Durie also chairs/co-chairs three major research groups -- the Myeloma Network for Aptium Oncology, the International Myeloma Foundation's International Myeloma Working Group and the Myeloma Committee of the Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG).

Born and raised in Scotland, Dr. Durie graduated from the University of Edinburgh Medical School in 1966. Following internships there, he completed residencies and fellowships in hematology and oncology at the Mayo Clinic and the University of Minnesota. Upon completion of his training, Dr. Durie moved to Tucson, Arizona and began working in the Department of Hematology/Oncology at the University of Arizona. In 1981 he earned the appointment of Professor of Medicine (Hematology/Oncology).

Dr. Durie co-developed the myeloma staging systems that allow precise, standard, objective evaluation of patients to guide their treatment - both the International Staging System now being introduced into practice, and the original Durie-Salmon Myeloma Staging System, used for more than 25 years. This earlier system was developed along with Dr. Sydney Salmon while they were colleagues at the University of Arizona.

He has authored and co-authored more than 400 research papers and five books.

Awards

In February, 2009, he was named recipient of the prestigious Waldenström's Award for lifetime achievement in multiple myeloma. In 2006 Dr. Durie was honored with the Kyle Lifetime Achievement Award recognizing "the physician who most exemplifies a singular dedication to and compassion for myeloma patients and treatment of their disease."



Helped Found IMF

In 1989, Dr. Brian Durie, Brian Novis along with Susie Novis conceived the idea of starting a foundation, and in 1990 the International Myeloma Foundation began operation. Brian Novis was elected the Executive Director of the foundation and worked tirelessly on it until his death in 1992. Today Dr. Durie and Susie Novis continue to lead the foundation.

The IMF can be reached at (800) 452-CURE www.myeloma.org.