Cancer Research takes this occasion to salute the Maria Sklodowska-Curie Memorial Institute of Oncology in Warsaw, Poland.

A Polish Committee for building of a Radium Institute was organized in 1924 and led to the opening of the Radium Institute in 1932. The Institute was destroyed under the German occupation and resumed operations in 1948. In 1951 it consisted of the headquarters in Warsaw and two branches in Kraków and Gliwice and was renamed the Marie Sklodowska-Curie Memorial Institute of Oncology.

The Institute consists of 12 clinical departments, 26 research departments, and 3 outpatient clinics at Warsaw, Kraków, and Gliwice.

Pictured are the present Institute in Warsaw and the State Oncological Center now under construction. The group photograph of the senior staff includes: left to right, seated: Assistant Professor Z. Dariczak-Ginalska, M.D., Assistant Professor M. Dabska, M.D., Professor T. Koszarowski, M.D. (Director), Professor L. Tariowska, M.D., and Professor J. Buraczewski, M.D. Standing: Assistant Professor J. Szymendera, M.D., J. Rybicki, Eng. (Deputy Managing Director), R. Sosiński, M.D. (Deputy Director for Cancer Control Organization), Assistant Professor A. Kulakowski, M.D. (Deputy Director for Clinical Affairs), Professor J. Steffen, M.D. (Deputy Director for Planning and Coordination of Research), Assistant Professor H. Gadomska, M.D., Assistant Professor O. Mioduszewska, M.D., and Z. Wronkowski, M.D., M.P.H.

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What are your chances of getting cancer?

This check list is a first step in the process that could save your life. Simply check the boxes that apply to you.

**LUNG CANCER**  
- Smoke a pack of cigarettes or more a day.  
- Smoked for 20 years or more.  
- Have a persistent cough.

**BREAST CANCER**  
- Over 40 and have close relatives who had breast cancer.  
- Had a breast operation.  
- Have lump or nipple discharge.

**CERVICAL CANCER**  
- Began having sex at an early age and with many partners.  
- Have unusual bleeding or discharge between periods.

**CANCER OF THE COLON & RECTUM**  
- Have a history of polyps.  
- Have blood in your stool.  
- Have ulcerative colitis.

**ENDOMETRIAL CANCER**  
- Have a history of abnormal bleeding.  
- Have diabetes and high blood pressure and are overweight.  
- Began menopause late (after 55).

Absolutely nothing is more important to surviving cancer than early detection is.  
So if you checked any boxes in the list above, you should discuss them with your doctor soon.  
We want to cure cancer in your lifetime. But we'll never do it without your help.

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