

Organizational Structure

General Motors Cancer Research Foundation

Board of Trustees

The responsibilities of the Board of Trustees are as follows: to strive to continue the Foundation until the etiology, prevention, and successful treatment of cancer have been found; to be responsible for exercising direction and control over the property and affairs of the Foundation; to be responsible for adopting by-laws and ensuring that their requirements are met by the various committees and personnel; final responsibility for amendments resides with the Board of Trustees; to indemnify members of the Foundation, Awards Assembly, Selection Committees, and others for any liability arising from their work on behalf of the Foundation; and to appoint members of the Awards Assembly on recommendation of the President of the Foundation.

The Board is composed of the following individuals:

John F. Smith, Jr.

Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President
General Motors Corporation
Detroit, Michigan

Samuel A. Wells, Jr., M.D.

President
General Motors Cancer Research Foundation
Chicago, Illinois

Joseph G. Fortner, M.D.

President Emeritus
General Motors Cancer Research Foundation
New York, New York

Karen L. Katen

President
Pfizer U.S. Pharmaceuticals Group
Executive Vice President
Pfizer Pharmaceuticals Group
Vice President, Pfizer Inc.
New York, New York

LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., M.D.

Professor and Chairman
Department of Surgery
Howard University School of Medicine
Washington, D.C.

Phillip A. Sharp, Ph.D.

Professor and Head
Department of Biology
Center for Cancer Research
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.

President
Morehouse School of Medicine
Atlanta, Georgia

Officers of the Foundation

Chairman

John F. Smith, Jr.

President

Samuel A. Wells, Jr., M.D.

Vice Presidents

James C. Cubbin
Executive Director, Health Care Initiatives
General Motors Corporation
Christopher C. Green, M.D., Ph.D.
Director, Technology/Research Partnerships
General Motors Corporation

Secretary

Deborah I. Dingell
President, General Motors Foundation

Treasurer

Ruth Boam

Tax Officer

Kevin W. Cobb

Awards Assembly

The Awards Assembly is composed of 38 members. Each is a distinguished scientist or physician especially knowledgeable in areas of relevance to cancer. Assembly meetings are held two times per year or as determined by need. Members select prizewinners from the three nominations of each Selection Committee. They also elect Selection Committee members. Awards Assembly membership is through appointment by the Board of Trustees on recommendation by the President of the Foundation. Assembly membership is for four years.

Advisory Council

Membership is composed of Assembly members whose active tenure has expired. Advisory members will be kept abreast of Assembly activities by viewing a copy of the minutes of each meeting. Their advice may be sought on various matters which concern the Assembly.

Selection Committees

There is a Selection Committee for each of the prizes. Each of the three committees is composed of seven members and two alternates elected by the Awards Assembly. Each Committee's Chairperson may add associate members and consultants, after approval by the Foundation's President, in order to ensure adequate coverage of a specialty of particular importance in a given year. Associate members and consultants are nonvoting.

Each Committee has a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Each Selection Committee is multinational. The President of the Foundation and the Awards Assembly Chairperson serve *ex officio* on each committee. Committee membership is for two years.

Cancer Research

The Journal of Cancer Research (1916–1930) | The American Journal of Cancer (1931–1940)

Organizational Structure: General Motors Cancer Research Foundation

Cancer Res 1999;59:1800s.

Updated version Access the most recent version of this article at:
http://cancerres.aacrjournals.org/content/59/7_Supplement/1800s.citation

E-mail alerts [Sign up to receive free email-alerts](#) related to this article or journal.

Reprints and Subscriptions To order reprints of this article or to subscribe to the journal, contact the AACR Publications Department at pubs@aacr.org.

Permissions To request permission to re-use all or part of this article, use this link
http://cancerres.aacrjournals.org/content/59/7_Supplement/1800s.citation.
Click on "Request Permissions" which will take you to the Copyright Clearance Center's (CCC) Rightslink site.