

Network Oncology Centers of Excellence

Each cancer patient in Germany should have access to diagnostic and therapeutic care at its best and by the current state of scientific knowledge. This aim pursues German Cancer Aid by its 'Network Oncology Centers of Excellence'.

The network mainly focuses on giving impulses to translational cancer research for the benefit of cancer patients. It is meant to continuously improve structures and quality standards of interdisciplinary patient care throughout Germany. In addition it provides access for its member centers and other health care utilities to the achieved progress and mutually agreed standards concerning all aspects of oncological care, research, early detection and prevention.

The Oncology Centers of Excellence are monitored regularly by international experts to fulfill the quality standards of German Cancer Aid. Currently the network encompasses 13 Oncology Centers of Excellence in Germany:

- Charité Comprehensive Cancer Center, Berlin
- Universitäts KrebsCentrum Dresden
- Universitätsklinikum UTZ Düsseldorf
- Comprehensive Cancer Center Erlangen
- Westdeutsches Tumorzentrum, Essen
- Universitäres Centrum für Tumorerkrankungen Frankfurt
- Comprehensive Cancer Center Freiburg - CCCF
- Hubertus Wald Tumorzentrum – Universitäres Cancer Center Hamburg
- National Center for Tumor Diseases Heidelberg
- Center for Integrated Oncology (CIO) Köln Bonn
- Comprehensive Cancer Center München – CCC München
- Comprehensive Cancer Center am Universitätsklinikum Ulm
- Comprehensive Cancer Center Mainfranken, Würzburg

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The Mildred Scheel Lectureship, funded by German Cancer Aid and the inviting Comprehensive Cancer Center, honors outstanding cancer researchers. Exciting discussions with these pioneers can substantially help encouraging young researchers to pursue a scientific career.

This unique lectureship pays tribute to the remarkable engagement of Dr. Mildred Scheel in the fight against cancer. During her lifetime and still today she is nationally and internationally highly regarded by cancer researchers and the general public.

The Mildred Scheel Lectureship was established jointly by the German Cancer Aid, the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), the National Center for Tumor Diseases Heidelberg and the DKFZ Executive Women's Initiative in 2012. Since then it has been extended to all Comprehensive Cancer Centers in Germany, that are connected in the 'Network Oncology Centers of Excellence'.

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DR. MILDRED SCHEEL



Dr. Mildred Scheel was a German physician and wife of the 4th German Federal President, Walter Scheel. As "First Lady", one of Mildred Scheel's duties was to take on a social task. At that time, to talk about cancer was a taboo. As a physician, Mildred Scheel had seen patients suffering from cancer almost daily and was fully aware of the silence surrounding the disease and the importance of giving patients a voice.

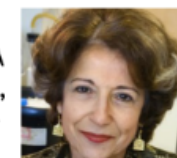
As a consequence, she founded German Cancer Aid in September 1974. Her vision was to fight cancer at all levels and to help people in critical health situations by care and persistent support. Since then, the development of German Cancer Aid has been a success story.

Mildred Scheel was the mother of three children and she always found the time to take care of an intact family life.

For her personal engagement she received innumerable honors and gained outstanding international reputation. The way she made her dreams come true – with an exceptionally strong will to overcome difficulties and resistance – inspires many researchers all over the world.

LECTURES

Prof. Dr. Mina Bissel, Lawrence Berkely National Laboratory, CA invited for Lectureship in Essen, Würzburg, Cologne and Düsseldorf, 2016



Prof. Dr. Eileen White, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ invited for Lectureship in Frankfurt/Main, Erlangen, Düsseldorf and Essen, 2017



Past lectures:

Prof. Dr. Lisa Coussens, Oregon Health Sciences University
Title: Inflammation, Tumor Microenvironment and Cancer (2012 in Heidelberg)

Prof. Dr. Janet Rowley †, University of Chicago
Title: The Philadelphia Chromosome Story (2012 in Heidelberg)

Dr. Margaret Foti, American Association for Cancer Research
Title: AACR and its Leadership Role in the Conquest of Cancer (2013 in Heidelberg)

Prof. Dr. Connie Eaves, BC Cancer Agency
Title: Heterogeneity of Adult Tissue Stem Cell Behavior (2014 in Heidelberg, Cologne and Hamburg)

Prof. Dr. Anne-Lise Børresen-Dale, K.G. Jebsen Center for Breast Cancer Research, Oslo
Title: Challenges in translating „omics“ for personalized treatment of breast cancer (2015 in Dresden, Berlin, Heidelberg and Cologne)