

European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer

Annual Declaration of Interests (ADoI)

Name: Susan Knox

| Nature of Activities | Period | Entity | Subject Matter |
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| 1. Ownership or financial investments, including shares | Current | Not applicable | All investments at discretion of financial advisor under written financial advisory agreement. |
| 2. Membership of a managing body or equivalent structure | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 3. Membership of another Scientific advisory body | <p>Current</p> <p>2004 – 2012</p> | <p>BIG (Breast International Group) Scientific Committee, Network of Excellence TRANS-BIG project, MINDACT Trial Steering Committee and AURORA Steering Committee, Survivorship Taskforce; Non-profit organisation Brussels, Belgium;</p> | <p><i>As Executive Director of EUROPA DONNA - The European Breast Cancer Coalition, Susan Knox represents the organization on the following:</i></p> <p>BIG Scientific Committee- The Breast International Group (BIG) is a non-profit organisation for academic breast cancer research groups from around the world.</p> <p>BIG facilitates and accelerates breast cancer research at the international level by stimulating cooperation between its members and other academic networks, and collaborating with, but working independently from, the pharmaceutical industry.</p> <p>TRANS-BIG Consortium-Ms. Knox was Project Director for EUROPA DONNA on the Network of Excellence TRANS-BIG project (EU/EAHC-supported). Translating molecular knowledge into early breast cancer management: building on the BIG network for improved treatment tailoring. The TRANSBIG consortium was launched in 2004 by BIG and is now finished. Its purpose was to promote international collaboration in translational research. It comprised 28 world-class institutions present</p> |

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| | | | <p>in 11 countries and was managed by the BIG Headquarters. This consortium was dedicated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advancing individualised treatment for breast cancer patients • integrating, strengthening and facilitating translational breast cancer research in Europe and internationally within the framework BIG <p>The main project launched by TRANS-BIG was the MINDACT trial</p> <p>MINDACT Trial Steering Committee- BIG breast cancer trial. MINDACT, (Microarray In Node-negative and 1 to 3 positive lymph node Disease may Avoid Chemotherapy) a prospective randomized study comparing the 70-gene signature with the common clinical-pathological criteria in selecting patients for adjuvant chemotherapy in breast cancer with 0-3 positive nodes.</p> <p>AURORA Steering Committee - academically owned breast cancer molecular screening study that is an international programme for women with MBC to use molecular screening to help physicians and researchers understand both why breast cancer metastasises and why some patients respond poorly to standard treatment, while others respond very well.</p> <p>BIG Survivorship Taskforce</p> <p>Link: http://www.bigagainstbreastcancer.org/</p> |
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| | Current | HORIZON 2020 – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020). | <p>HORIZON 2020 – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020). Project Director on behalf of Europa Donna, member of consortium for PREFERABLE: Project on Exercise for Fatigue Eradication in Advanced Breast cancer to improve quality of life.</p> |
| | Current | EBC Council/EBCC; Non-profit organisation Brussels, Belgium | <p>EBC Council- a non-profit organization that has responsibility for the oversight of EBCC (The European Breast Cancer Conference). The mission of the Association is to raise awareness and improve prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care of breast cancer patients.</p> |

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| | | | <p>Goals and objectives in support of the Association's mission shall be to: increase awareness for breast cancer; promote consensus on controversial issues concerning breast cancer; uphold and disseminate guidelines related to screening, prevention, treatment, research and care aspects of breast cancer in cooperation with our members and partners; promote and support educational activities of professionals and advocates in the field of breast cancer; promote and support research initiatives and the dissemination of knowledge in the field of breast cancer; promote and support initiatives aiming at improving the quality of care; build a reliable source of information on breast cancer; streamline communications between different actors active in breast cancer prevention, education, advocacy and all aspects of research, treatment and care; stimulate and support the coordination of breast cancer events in Europe.</p> <p>The members consist of 4 representatives of each of the following organisations, EORTC, EUSOMA, and Europa Donna.</p> <p>This website address describes the EBC Council: http://www.ebccouncil.com/</p> |
| 4. Employment | 1998 - present | EUROPA DONNA – The European Breast Cancer Coalition; Non-profit organisation; Milan, Italy | <p>Susan Knox is a two time breast cancer survivor and has been Executive Director and CEO of Europa Donna since 1999. She has full financial and management responsibility for the organisation. Susan is responsible for all on-going European advocacy initiatives in the areas of information, education and lobbying including Pan European advocacy conferences, meetings and information sessions at the European Parliament, European Breast Cancer Advocacy Training Courses, publications and websites. Her work also focuses on a breast cancer prevention initiative - BREAST HEALTH DAY, which was launched on 15 October 2008 and now takes place annually. Susan additionally served as advocacy editor of the scientific journal, <i>The Breast</i>, through December 2016.</p> <p>Through this work, Ms. Knox regularly writes articles and gives speeches about services related to breast cancer screening and the</p> |

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| | | | <p>implementation of Specialist Breast Units; she widely advocates for the same throughout Europe, including at the European Parliament.</p> <p>The general contents of her positions can be found in the following two articles she wrote for <i>The Breast</i>: “The European Patient Advocacy Perspective on Specialist Breast Units” (June 2015) and “The European Advocacy Perspective on Mammography Screening” (February 2011).</p> <p>Ms. Knox has been a member of groups that have developed guidelines, such as the European Breast Cancer Network (EBCN) and the European Cancer Network (ECN). Furthermore, she is a constant advocate for implementation of the 2006 <i>European Guidelines for quality assurance in breast cancer screening and diagnosis</i>.</p> <p>Ms. Knox carries out her responsibilities in accordance with ED’s Sponsorship Policy, which can be viewed on the EUROPA DONNA website at: http://www.europadonna.org/about/policies-and-statements/sponsorship/</p> <p>Ms. Knox does not accept honoraria or fees for services, neither paid to the institution nor paid directly to her.</p> <p>Through Ms. Knox’s work, she develops many relationships with government agencies, foundations, commercial sponsors and academic institutions that have an interest in breast cancer screening and treatment. To see a complete list of EUROPA DONNA funders and sponsors, please go to the ED website www.europadonna.org where annual reports and financial statements for the last 5 years can be found</p> |
| 5. Consultancy/Advisory | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 6. Influence on definition of research priorities | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 7. Research grants and other funding | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 8. Principal investigator or investigator | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |

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| 9. Intellectual property rights (IPR) | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 10. Other membership or affiliation | <p>2001 - 2003</p> <p>2009; June 2012 Ended</p> <p>Ended</p> <p>Ended 2017</p> <p>Current</p> | <p>EBCN; project of the European Commission</p> <p>EPAAC; Non-profit organisation Ljubljana, Slovenia</p> <p>ECN; project of the IARC Lyon, France</p> <p>European Commission's Expert Group on Cancer Control Milan, Italy</p> <p>EPF; Non-profit organisation Brussels, Belgium</p> | <p>-Project Director for EUROPA DONNA for EBCN- European Breast Cancer Network Project (EU/EAHC-supported) http://www.ebcn.org/</p> <p>-Invited to attend initial set-up meetings for EPAAC (European Partnership Action Against Cancer); speaker at the second EPAAC stakeholder forum in Rome http://www.epaac.eu/home</p> <p>-Project Director- EUROPA DONNA for ECN/European Cancer Network project (EU/EAHC-supported) http://www.iarc.fr/en/research-groups/QAS/current-topics.php#ECN</p> <p>-Ms. Knox represents EUROPA DONNA as an alternate member of this group http://ec.europa.eu/transparency/regexpert/index.cfm?do=groupDetail.groupDetail&groupID=3203</p> <p>-Ms. Knox oversees EUROPA DONNA's membership of the European Patients' Forum http://www.eu-patient.eu/</p> |
| 11. Interests of others | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| 12. Other | Current | General | <p>The organization of which Susan Knox is the CEO has a sponsorship policy which safeguards the totally independent and autonomous voice of EUROPA DONNA on breast cancer issues</p> <p>Link to sponsorship policy: http://www.europadonna.org/about/policies-and-statements/sponsorship/</p> |

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I also declare on my honour that the information disclosed in this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Should there be any change to the above information, I will promptly notify the responsible service of the Commission and complete a new DoI form including the changes.

Done at: Milan, Italy

Date: 16 December 2020

Susan Knox

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