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Professor Forastiere is the leader of the Head and Neck Oncology Clinical Research Program at the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins. She is Professor, Department of Oncology at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and holds appointments as Professor in the Departments of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, and Radiation Oncology and Molecular Sciences.

Professor Forastiere is an internationally recognized expert in head and neck oncology. She has made major contributions to the development of combined modality therapy and establishing standards of care for the management of advanced head and neck cancer. These include the integration of platinum-based chemotherapy and radiotherapy for organ preservation, post-operative management of high-risk head and neck cancer, the development of taxanes in head and neck cancer, and investigating agents that target the epidermal growth factor receptor signaling pathway.

She served as the Chair of the Head and Neck Committee for the Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group from 1993-2006 and is a past co-Chair of the Head and Neck Committee of the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group. She currently serves as the medical oncology co-Chair of the National Cancer Institute Steering Committee for head and neck cancer clinical and translational research. Prof. Forastiere is Chairperson of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Head and Neck Cancer Guidelines Panel. She is a former member of the Board of Directors of the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She has been an associate editor for the Journal of Clinical Oncology since 2000 in addition to serving on numerous other editorial and advisory boards. Dr. Forastiere has authored over 200 peer-reviewed publications and over 50 book sections.

