

*The Breast Cancer Innovation Foundation
Cordially Invites You*

to an evening of mingling, networking,
hors d'oeuvres, cupcakes, & champagne, at the



2nd Annual



Wednesday, October 5th, 2016
from 5:00-7:30 pm
at the Portage Country Club
240 North Portage Path | Akron, OH 44303

Tickets are \$25 per person





Mona Sarkar, mother of three, community leader, and Senior VP at Robert W Baird & Co. will share an inspirational message regarding her journey after discovering she was at high risk for developing breast cancer.



We will also hear from Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at the University of Akron, Dr. Judit Puskas, who is conducting ground-breaking research, related to the treatment of breast cancer, and breast reconstruction surgery. Dr. Puskas, in collaboration with The Cleveland Clinic, is conducting this research right here in our own backyard of Akron, OH!



Bid on fabulous silent auction items whose proceeds will support the Breast Cancer Innovation Foundation and local research.

To see our growing list of auction items, please visit our website www.breastcancerinnovation.com



Presentation of
**The BCIF Pink Gardenia Awards
for Outstanding Breast Cancer Support.**



RSVP by Wednesday, September 28th by returning the enclosed card, or email breastcancerinnovation@gmail.com.

**We hope to see you there to celebrate this wonderful event!
All who attend are sure to be inspired and encouraged!**

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BREAST CANCER INNOVATION FOUNDATION

Dear Friend,

The Breast Cancer Innovation Foundation (BCIF) raises funds and donates to universities and charitable research institutions conducting breast cancer research that will benefit women by transferring innovations from the laboratory to the bedside. The research group of Professor Judit E. Puskas at The University of Akron has been working on the design and manufacture of polymer agents useful for the diagnosis and targeted treatment of breast and other cancers. The first product is a polymer-based diagnostic agent with “magic claws” that attach to cancer cells preferentially over healthy cells and destroy them! It also has a fluorescent part that allows effective cancer diagnosis, including stray cancer cells.

In 2014 three compounds with a single “magic claw” were in Phase III clinical trials in Europe, but all were based on small molecules, not polymers. The trials were terminated because the agents did not perform as expected. Earlier research has already demonstrated that polymer-based molecules with multiple “magic claws” are the most effective. Cancer drug doses can be targeted thereby reducing/eliminating side effects such as nausea and hair loss and chemotoxic damage to other organs in the body. However, consistent polymer production attempts failed. Professor Puskas’ group took up the challenge and were able to solve the problems.

To complete the animal studies for breast cancer, \$100,000 must be raised. The next step will be to attach cancer drugs to the molecule and demonstrate that the “magic claws” will carry the drugs into the cancer cells and destroy them.

We hope that you will come to the “Cupcake for a Cause” event on October 5 (please see the attached invitation). Thank you for helping in our efforts to combat breast cancer. Your tax-deductible donation will support the research causes directly, and will have a great impact on the lives of women diagnosed with breast cancer.

Thank you for your time and interest in a very worthwhile program.

Sincerely,

Stacey Zahoranski, President



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Please complete and return by September 28th.

Yes, I am attending _____ **Number Attending**

I am unable to attend, but please accept this donation.

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Tickets are \$25 each. Please list additional attendee name(s) on back.

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