



Steven Piantadosi, MD, PhD

Director, Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute

Internationally known cancer researcher Steven Piantadosi, MD, PhD, was named director of the Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in April 2007. Dr. Piantadosi's role is to lead the medical center's programs in cancer research, treatment and education, enhance academic activities related to cancer, and bring together Cedars-Sinai's cancer physicians and researchers for innovative collaborations.

Prior to joining Cedars-Sinai, Dr. Piantadosi was Professor of Oncology at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Director of Biostatistics at the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins. He was also Professor of Biostatistics and Professor of Epidemiology at the university's Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Dr. Piantadosi earned his medical degree from the University of North Carolina and PhD in Biomathematics from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Following this he was a Senior Staff Fellow at the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Piantadosi is one of the world's leading experts in the design and analysis of clinical trials for cancer research. In addition to advising both FDA and industry, he has served on external advisory boards for the National Institutes of Health and other prominent cancer programs and centers.

The author of more than 230 peer-reviewed scientific articles, Dr. Piantadosi is currently a Senior Editor of the journal *Clinical Cancer Research*. He has published extensively on research results, clinical applications, and trial methodology. His papers have contributed to many diverse areas of oncology, and he has also collaborated in disciplines outside cancer including lung disease, AIDS, and degenerative neurological disease.

Dr. Piantadosi is the author of *Clinical Trials: A Methodologic Perspective*, which is widely considered a classic textbook for clinical trials. He has taught young investigators extensively in his own course in the Hopkins Graduate Training Program in Clinical Investigation, and through international venues such as the AACR/ASCO Workshop on Methods in Clinical Cancer Research. Dr. Piantadosi has held leadership roles with national cooperative oncology groups, including the New Approaches to Brain Tumors Consortium, and as a member of numerous clinical trial monitoring committees.

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