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An elected member of the Association of American Physicians and the National Academy of Medicine, Dr. Davidson is an active member of the scientific advisory boards as well as external advisory boards of many foundations and cancer centers. She has also served as an elected member of the Board of Directors of the American Association of Cancer Research (AACR) and the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) - the two largest organizations for cancer researchers and oncology professionals in the world. She was president of ASCO from 2007 to 2008 and President of AACR from 2016 to 2017.

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