

BIOGRAPHY



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Chairman of the Board

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Robert E. Cawthorn held the position of Chairman of the Board of Actelion Ltd from the inception of the company until September 2011. In order to ensure a smooth transition, Robert Cawthorn remains on the company's Board as planned until the 2012 Annual General Meeting. In addition, Mr. Cawthorn also serves on the Boards of certain private companies and not-for-profit institutions. These include The March Group, Bidesix and the Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences (Trustee Emeritus).

Mr. Cawthorn has an extensive experience in corporate Boards both in the US and in Europe, where he has put an emphasis on growing the businesses and good corporate governance. He has served over the years on the Boards of Biotech, Mid and Large Cap Pharma, healthcare services businesses, as well as on the Board of other large corporations (examples include Vanguard Mutual Fund Companies, CBS, and Sunoco) and banks.

Mr. Cawthorn has rich experience in running businesses worldwide, particularly in the US and Europe. He retired in 2001 as a Managing Director of Global Health Care Partners of DLJ Merchant Banking Partners, specializing in private equity investment in health care businesses worldwide. He retired as Chief Executive Officer of Rhône-Poulenc Rorer Inc. in May 1995 and as Chairman in May 1996, after nearly four decades in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and animal health industries.

Mr. Cawthorn is generally credited with transforming Rorer from a small, primarily over-the-counter pharmaceutical company into a major research-driven pharmaceutical company, largely through acquisitions and mergers, culminating in the successful merger which created Rhône-Poulenc Rorer in 1990.

Mr. Cawthorn was an executive with Pfizer International for 17 years and was the first president of Biogen Inc. before joining Rorer Group in 1982.

Mr. Cawthorn has also evaluated and invested in many smaller healthcare companies.

Mr. Cawthorn is a graduate of Cambridge University, England and lives in Bermuda and London, England.
