



Background information

Biography

Arthur J. Higgins

**Chairman of the Bayer HealthCare Executive Committee;
Chairman of the Board of Management of Bayer HealthCare AG;
Chairman of the Board of Management of Bayer Schering Pharma AG**

Arthur J. Higgins has been Chairman of the Bayer HealthCare Executive Committee since July 1, 2004 and, since January 1, 2006, Chairman of the Board of Management of Bayer HealthCare AG. In addition, he is Chairman of the Board of Management of Bayer Schering Pharma AG.

Higgins was born on March 6, 1956 in Airdrie, Scotland. He studied at Scotland's Strathclyde University from 1974 to 1978, where he gained a Bachelor of Science degree in biochemistry.

Higgins started his career in 1978 in England with Bristol-Myers. He subsequently worked for Sandoz (1979 to 1984) and Fisons (1984 to 1987) before moving to Abbott Laboratories in the USA (1987 to 2001), where he held various positions of increasing responsibility in the international and domestic divisions, including a two-year posting in Germany. He was appointed President of the Pharmaceutical Products Division in Chicago, Illinois, USA, in 1998. In this position, he was in charge of Abbott's pharmaceuticals business in the United States with responsibility for global pharmaceutical research and development.

In 2001, Higgins was appointed Chairman and CEO of Enzon Pharmaceuticals headquartered in Bridgewater, New Jersey, USA. In this function, he also served as Chairman of the Biotech Council of New Jersey and on the board of the U.S. National Pharmaceutical Council.

Higgins represents Bayer in the Executive Committee of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA), and is also a member of the Council of the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA). In May 2007, Higgins was appointed President of the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA).

Arthur J. Higgins is married and has three children.