## Biography

Dr. Onishi is a retired basic research scientist with 35 years of experience in drug discovery with Merck and Co., Inc. She made key contributions to the discovery of two chemicals that were developed and approved by the FDA to treat human fungal infections. She is a biochemist with expertise developing *in vitro* tests to select chemicals for consideration as development candidates for safe, efficacious pharmaceuticals for human use. As a contributor to the discovery and development team, she is experienced evaluating safety and efficacy results of various *in vivo* pre-clinical studies designed to profile the biological activity of new chemicals.

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