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Dr. Yanagihara was born and raised in Honolulu and attended UHM. He received a medical degree from the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine in 1972, and completed pediatric residency at the University of Colorado and the University of California, San Francisco. He received fellowship training in infectious diseases at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and post-doctoral training in virology at the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Yanagihara received an M.P.H. in tropical medicine from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1985.

As a tenured intramural NIH scientist, he was detailed to the University of Hawaii in 1995, through an interagency personnel agreement. Although he is board certified in pediatrics, Dr. Yanagihara has pursued a career path in biomedical research, largely in the context of international collaborative research in Asia and the western Pacific Region. These scientific explorations have taken the form of problem-based, disease-oriented, long-term, high-risk, multidisciplinary investigations of medically urgent phenomena of worldwide relevance, conducted largely in the context of exploiting naturally occurring paradigms of high-incidence "place diseases" in populations isolated by virtue of genetics, culture and/or geography. His research interests include geographic medicine, "place diseases," infectious diseases, virology, and "food-chain" diseases.

Dr. Yanagihara is a member of the Research Centers in Minority Institutions and Institutional Development Award Review Committee (RIRG-M) study section. He also provides scientific and administrative leadership for his own research grants and several institutional grants. He has won several honors and awards, including the Outstanding Service Medal and Meritorious Service Medal from the U.S. Public Health Service and the Bailey K. Ashford Medal from the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. He has been invited to give more than 100 presentations worldwide and has authored or co-authored over 250 publications.

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