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Dr. Kurokawa received a MD degree from the University of Tokyo. Following clinical training in internal medicine, then in nephrology at the Department of Medicine of the University of Tokyo, Faculty of Medicine, he spent 15 years in USA; from University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, UCLA School of Medicine, University of Southern California, and professor of medicine, Department of Medicine, UCLA School of Medicine (1979-84). He was professor of medicine of the University of Tokyo Faculty of Medicine (1989-96); Dean and Professor of Tokai University School of Medicine and Director of the Institute of Medicine Sciences (1996-2002), Research Institute of Science and Technology (2002-04), Tokai University; Adjunct Professor, the Research Center for Advanced Science and Technology, the University of Tokyo (2003-06).

Dr. Kurokawa has served as president and/or executive officer to many prestigious national and international professional societies in medicine, nephrology, science academies and science policy organizations. Dr. Kurokawa is licensed to practice medicine both in Japan and in the State of California, board certified in internal medicine and its subspecialty of nephrology by the American Board of Internal Medicine, and Master of the American College of Physicians. He is an elected member of many prestigious professional societies including Science Council of Japan (President, 2003-06), Member of InterAcademy Panel (2001-06), and InterAcademy Council (2001- 06), Association of American Physicians, and the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies of the USA.

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