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BIOCHEMIST/PHYSIOLOGIST

An expert on drug detoxifying enzymes, she works for the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and studies how the human body reacts to poisons.

Date of Birth: September 13, 1940 Birthplace: Whiteville, North Carolina

Notable Awards:

First black woman to receive a Ph D from **Duke University**

First woman to receive a degree in Biochemistry and Physiology from Duke University

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