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Flossie Wong-Staal **Virologist & Molecular Biologist**

Flossie Wong-Staal (b. 1947) was born in China. She graduated from University of California, Los Angeles and is Professor Emerita at University of California, Santa Diego. Wong-Staal cloned the HIV and is the first person to discover the anatomy of the virus. She is also the co-founder and Chief Scientific Officer of Immusol, renamed iTherXPharmaceuticals, a drug company that focuses on hepatitis C. In 2007, Wong-Staal was named by Discover as one of the fifty most extraordinary women scientists.