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Started work as medical technologist and studied further in UK and South Africa achieving PhD in 1986 (Microbial Genetics). I have worked in vaccine manufacture starting 1968 until retiring in 2000 as Director of Vaccine manufacture at the South African Vaccine Producers Ltd.

I have practiced as an expert consultant since that time, including the local biotechnology industry, Medicines regulatory authority, Department of Trade and Industry, and Department of Food and Fisheries (GMO evaluation). I am also a temporary advisor to World Health Organization on development of guidelines for vaccines, evaluation of vaccines for prequalification and training for regulatory authority development.

I am the current chair of the Developing Country Vaccine Regulators' Network.