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Professional Life: since 1980 he worked for many different international leading dental companies in leading positions (head of R&D, production, quality assurance, dental technology, worldwide project leader) until 2003. He is a member of many dental standard commissions and of the drug commission at the drug institute (Federal Republic of Germany). Between 2003 – 2017 he was the technical director of a leading cosmetic company specialized on light-curing artificial nail products.

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