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He joined the World Health Organization Regional Office for Africa in 2012-2015 where he worked as focal person for preventive chemotherapy NTDs and provided technical assistance to African countries. He served as focal point for the China-Africa collaboration for the elimination of schistosomiasis in Africa.

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