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After paediatric training in Japan, he practised in Australia, Nepal and the United Kingdom as a senior paediatrician and studied epidemiology/public health at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine before involved in national policy developments in women's and children's health under the Departments of Health in England and Wales. He has also actively been involved in research/aid-works in low- and middle-income countries such as Madagascar, Bangladesh, and Mongolia, as well as policy development and evaluation in health systems and women's and children's health at the both national and international level. He successfully facilitated World Health Organization's contributions to the global health policy development at the G8 Toyako Summit and TICAD IV as a technical officer of World Health Organization in 2008. He was appointed as Director of Department of Health Policy at the National Center for Child Health and Development in Japan and Professor in Health Policy for Families and Children at Kyoto University, where he pursued his research on the life-course approach to achieve sustainable social and health care systems in the context of population ageing since 2012, before taking up his current role in 2018.

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