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Over 26 years in the Pharmaceutical Industry with over 20 years concerned with the manufacture of sterile products and Biologics. Martin holds Degree level qualifications in Applied Biology (1984) and also Microbiology / Immunology (1986). He is a member of UCBs Global Quality Organisation based in Braine-l'Alleud (Belgium). Martin started his career at Celltech Biologics (in Microbiology) where he stayed for 9 years, he then held positions in Eli Lilly (Solid dose), Martindale Pharmaceuticals (Generic Drug manufacturing) and Rhone Poulenc Rorer (Aventis) in Dagenham where he was the QA head and QP responsible for Sterile Products and Microbiology. In 2003 Martin then moved to Monheim Germany with Schwarz Pharma where he was responsible for the creation of the "Pre-Clinical Development Quality Assurance department" and then latterly the GxP Quality Assurance department for Schwarz Biosciences Clinical and Pre-Clinical activities. Following the acquisition of Schwarz Pharma by UCB SA Martin became the head of the Global BPS (Bio Pharmaceutical Sciences) and CTS (Clinical Trials Supply) Quality Assurance department and was then based in Braine-l'Alleud (Belgium). Since October 2010 Martin has been the UCB Corporate Microbiologist responsible for microbiological standards, policy and strategy within the UCB Global Quality Organisation.