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After received his B.Sc. in chemistry and M.Sc. in catalysis, Dr. Zhou had worked for 5 years at Hubei Research Institute of Chemistry, China, focusing on organic process research and development for the fine chemical industry. He then moved to Canada and received his Ph.D. from Memorial University of Newfoundland in 1994, working with Dr. Chat Jablonski. After close to two-year stay at Dr. Howard Alper's group at the University of Ottawa as a postdoctoral fellow, he took a position at Raylo Chemicals as a Senior Research Chemist in 1996, became the Research Manager in 1998 and then the R&D Manager in 2003, heading the efforts of process research and development, process safety, kilo-lab manufacturing and process transfer to manufacturing plants. He has moved on to be part of Gilead Sciences since 2006 and is now the Senior Director of Process Research and Development at Gilead Alberta, looking after the department that designs and develops chemical processes suitable for the manufacture of active pharmaceutical ingredients at different stages of the drug development, from preclinical studies through commercialization. He also held an MBA from the University of Alberta.

