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In Drug Discovery the main field is with bee pollen and phenolic compounds. She was the International Coordinator of Bee pollen Working Group at International Honey Commission from 2004 to 2019.

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