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Biography

Akinola Adisa is a biochemistry graduate from the University of Ilorin, Nigeria. Following a year of national service and a Masters degree, he began his career in 1995 as a laboratory technician at Kuwait University Microbiology Department supporting teaching and research efforts. He migrated to Australia in 1999 and gained a PhD in Cell and Molecular Biology, using the malaria parasite as a model organism, from La Trobe University in Melbourne.

Akin proceeded to a number of postdoctoral positions with the Cooperative Research Centre for Diagnostics, La Trobe University and the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute for Medical Research with focus on malaria and cancer research. He joined the Australian Government Department of Health in 2009 and honed some skills as a regulatory toxicologist in hazard and human risk assessment of pesticides and veterinary medicines. He moved to the Therapeutic Goods Administration (Canberra Australia) in 2010 and has since worked on different regulatory aspects of prescription and over-the-counter medicines. He is currently a principal adviser in Biological Science and oversees quality review of biological medicines. In his spare time Akin is a casual tutor for first year subjects in Statistics, Information System and Management at the University of Canberra. He is also a Member of the EDQM Group of Expert 6B.

Akin joined the WHO Committee on International Nonproprietary Names (INN) in 2017.