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Harish has extensive experience in the biotechnology industry and was previously Vice-President and Head of Research & Development, Biocon (2001-2011). With a team of 300+ top scientists, Harish worked on numerous projects at Biocon including recombinant human insulin & analogues, BioMAb EGFR antibody and novel discovery projects such as oral insulin and other first-in-class biologics in the Biocon R&D pipeline.

Prior to joining Biocon, Harish worked in Process Sciences at Genentech (1995-1998), South San Francisco and Biogen-IDEC, San Diego (1998-2001). He graduated in 1995 with a Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York. He also has a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. In 2010, Harish also participated in and completed an executive education course on Leadership & Strategy in Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology at Harvard Business School in Cambridge, Massachusetts.