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Steven graduated from National University of Singapore in 1992 and went on to pursue his interest in Humanitarian and Disaster medicine with the Singapore Armed Forces from 1992 to 2002. Upon completion of his dermatology training in Singapore, Steven went on to Amsterdam Medical Centre, Netherlands, to continue his training in pigmentary disorder, under Professor Westerhof. Upon returning, Steven started the pigment clinic in National Skin Centre as well as set up the melanocyte culture lab to start his work on cultured melanocytes grafting for vitiligo patients.

Currently, Steven is the head of the pigment clinic, in charge of managing all complex pigmentary disorders in National Skin Centre, and he is also the principal surgeon for tissue grafting for vitiligo. Steven was also trained in Modena, under Prof Pellacani, in in-vivo skin imaging and he is instrumental in the setting up of confocal clinic for the diagnosis of skin cancer without biopsy.

Steven took over as executive director of Skin Research Institute of Singapore in Jan 2017 and is responsible for the transformation of SRIS from a virtual institute to a dynamic institute, working on 4 main multi-institutional, interdisciplinary research programs of chronic wound, acne, skin microbiome and atopic dermatitis. His current research interest is on skin pigmentary disorder, atopic dermatitis, novel drug delivery systems, as well as advanced imaging for skin cancer and skin diseases. He has translated much of his research to improve patient care in dermatology.