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During World War II, he began long and fruitful research in malariology and Tropical Diseases in West Africa. These researches spanned 17 years from 1941 to 1958. In Africa he worked on both yellow fever and malaria. During this time he was appointed to the WHO Expert Panel on Malaria and somehow managed to find time to obtain a Master of Public Health Degree as a Rockefeller Foundation fellow at the Harvard School of Public Health.

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