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Nazik is a dental public health specialist. She obtained her bachelor in dental surgery from the University of Khartoum in 2002. Between 2006 and 2010, she was a doctoral research fellow at the University of Bergen studying dental caries risk factors in Sudanese schoolchildren. She proposed the use of the Sudanese commodity Gum Arabic to regulate oral micro-bacteria

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She is currently undertaking a consultancy with the WHO Sudan Country office to support the developing health systems unit in coordinating activities related to health systems strengthening alongside her teaching and supervision at the University of Khartoum. Her areas of interest include special needs dentistry, strengthening health systems, dental education, mHealth, policy and strategic planning.