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Bio

Appolinaire Djikeng is the Director of the BecA-ILRI Hub. In this role, Djikeng ensures key responsibilities are met including the implementation of the BecA-ILRI Hub Business Plan and realization of the Hub's mission of improving the livelihoods of resource-poor people in Africa through the development and use of new technologies and strategies for sustaining agricultural production, improving human health, and conserving the environment.

Djikeng first joined the BecA-ILRI Hub in 2009 as Senior Scientist and Technology Manager, leading various teams focused on the acquisition of high end biosciences technologies and management of state-of-the-art laboratories; the provision of research related services to scientists from across the region; and the implementation of integrated research and capacity building activities.

Prior to joining the BecA-ILRI Hub, Djikeng spent over 10 years at the Yale University School of Medicine and the J Craig Venter Institute (JCVI - formerly the Institute for Genomic Research, TIGR). Djikeng holds BSC (Hons; Biology) and MSC from the University of Yaoundé I, Cameroon and PhD (Biochemistry, Molecular Parasitology) from Brunel University, UK.