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Prior to working as a Strategic Marketing Consultant and Lecturer, Affinito founded and managed Brandnew Marketing Communications Inc, previously she worked at Serono where she was responsible for marketing and sales activities in the Endocrinology and Metabolism Business Unit. While at Serono she was "featured in a "success story" that was included in the global company magazine "Paradigm".

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