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### **Education**

#### Ph.D. in Forest Sciences

2023 -

Department of wood and forest sciences, Université Laval, Québec Canada

Thesis: Selection of boreal woody species with lateral root architecture for technosol-based revegetation of

acid mine drainage sites

Supervisor: Prof. Damase P. Khasa Co supervisor: Prof. Antoine Karam

### Master's degree, Forest Science and Techniques

2018 - 2020

Faculty of Agronomy, University of Parakou, (Benin)

Thesis: Effect of ectomycorrhizal inoculation and organic and mineral amendments on juvenile growth of

nursery plants of Afzelia africana, Pterocarpus erinaceus & Khaya senegalensis.

Supervisor: Prof. Christine Ouinsavi

## Bachelor's degree, Natural Resource Management

2014 - 2017

Faculty of Agronomy, University of Parakou, (Benin)

Thesis: Optimal sampling technique for plot-based biodiversity measurement in the Sudanian zone: the

case of square and circular plots Supervisor: Prof. Nourou S. Yorou

# **Additional Training**

- [1] NSERC CREATE Program on Nature-Based Solutions for Ecosystem Restoration NASER Summer School 2025 [in person] . Université Laval, Quebec, Canada. From April 28 to May 09, 2025
- [2] Programming with R for data analysis [in person]. Université Laval, Québec, Canada.
- [3] Introduction to Unix Shell [online, UNX101]. Calcul Québec, Quebéc, Canada. February 2, 2024
- [4] Data analysis in bioinformatics: exploring computational biology [in person]. Université Laval, Quebec, Canada. From April 28 to May 09, 2025

### **Academic and Research Experiences**

### Teaching Assistant. Winter 2025

Department of soils and agro-food engineering, Université Laval, Québec Canada

- Planned and conducted forest experimentation projects
- Performed analysis of variance (ANOVA) and linear regression using R
- Writting scientific and field mission reports

### **Research Assistant in Forest Biology**

Winter 2024

Department of wood and forest sciences, Université Laval, Québec Canada.

- Planned and conducted forest experimentation projects
- Performed analysis of variance (ANOVA) and linear regression using R
- Writting scientific and field mission reports

# Doctoral Researcher in forest biology and soil sciences

2023–2026

Department of wood and forest sciences, Université Laval, Québec Canada.

- Planned and conducted forest experimentation projects
- Performed analysis of variance (ANOVA) and linear regression using R
- Writing scientific and field mission reports

### **Research Assistant in Forest Biology**

2021-2023

Forest Research and Studies Laboratory, University of Parakou, Parakou (Benin)

- Planned and conducted forest experimentation projects
- Performed analysis of variance (ANOVA) and linear regression using R
- Writting scientific and field mission reports

### Research Assistant in Tropical Mycology

2017-2018

Research Unit in Tropical Mycology and Plant-Fungi-Soil Interactions, Parakou (Benin)

- Conducted surveys of macrofungi in open forests and savannas
- Calculated fungal diversity indices (α and β diversity) using R
- Integrated or reclassified specimens in the Mycological Herbarium collection at the University of Parakou

# **Publications**

- [1] Hounsouvo, BSR, Khasa Damase, Antoine Karam and Mouhamed Lamhamedi. Tree root system on covers with capillary barrier effects preventing Acid mine drainage: a systematic review (*in preparation*).
- [2] Hounsouvo, BSR., Orou Sourou Zouliatou, Ayena Jacques I. K., and Dramani Ramdan. Socio-Agronomic Determinants of Farmland Access in Vegetable Production Systems in Northern Benin: Evidence from Bassila. Agriculture and Human Values (*submitted*).
- [3] Hounsouvo, BSR., Houehanou, TD, Gouwakinnou, GN, Hadonou, CJ, and Ounsavi, CAIN. (2022). Comparative Effect of Ectomycorrhizal Inoculation, Mineral and Organic Amendments and their Interactions on Juvenile Growth of Afzelia africana in the Nursery. Journal of Tropical Plant Physiology, 14(1), 1-12. 022):1-12 https://doi.org/10.56999/jtpp.2022.14.1.18
- [4] Habakaramo M. P., Tchan K. I., Hegbe A. D. M. T., Abohoumbo G., **Hounsouvo B. S. R.**, Tchemagnon O., Dramani R., and Yorou N. S. (2022). Sampling techniques for the optimal measurements of macromycetes diversity in the Soudano-Guinean ecozone (West Africa). International Journal of Biodiversity and Conservation, 14(3), 128-138. https://doi.org/10.5897/IJBC2020.1404

### **Talks**

Variation génétique de la croissance racinaire chez les plants d'épinette noire et de mélèze laricin. Colloque forestier 2025. L'office des producteurs de plants forestiers du Québec (OPPFQ)Quebec, Canada

#### **Awards and Grants**

Completion Award, 37EXAD \$6200. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Université Laval, 2024. CAD \$6200.

Award for doctoral project preparation. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Université Laval, 2024. CAD \$3000

### **Mentoring**

## **Graduate project (co-advisor)**

[1] Justine Daviault 2025. Pratiques de revégétalisation des sites miniers générateurs de drainage minier acide au québec : acquis, opportunités et défis. Master's degree, Université Laval, Québec, Canada.