CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

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Date of Birth : 15.07.1989
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PROFILE

I am a dynamic and self-driven individual, hardworking, fast learning, responsible, and cooperative as well as an excellent team player with good communication and analytical skills. I work under minimum supervision to obtain maximum possible results in order to realize organizational and personal goals while maintaining high standards of professionalism, integrity and ethics in my profession.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Sept 2018 to Date: University of Nairobi,

Pd.D in Food science and Technology.

Sept. 2015 to Sep 2018: University of Nairobi,

MSc. in Food Safety and Quality.

Sept. 2010 to April 2014: University of Nairobi,

Bachelor of Science in Food science and Technology.

First class Honors.

2008 Jan- Nov 2008: St. Paul's Omonayo Secondary School

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education

(K.C.S.E), A- (Minus)

Jan 2005- Nov 2008: Kabianga Boy's High School.

1997 to 2004: Lanet Primary School

Kenya Certificate of Primary Education

KCPE- 401/500 marks

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 1. Technical committee member Roots and Tuber crops technical committee, *Kenya Bureau of Standards* (Kebs)

 October, 2018 to date.
- 2. Research Assistant The Hortigreen project

June 2018 to date

- 3. Monitoring uptake of kitchen gardens and cooking skills: a case study of Nestlé farmers in Murang'a community 6 May 11 May 2018
 - Involved in a follow-up on the impact of kitchen gardens among households trained by Nestlé on adoption of kitchen gardens
 - Assessing the nutritional impact of kitchen gardens among the households trained on cooking skills
- 4. Women empowerment and maternal healthcare in the Nescafé plan in Embu 2 7 April 2018
 - This involved assessment of the involvement of women coffee farmers among the coffee farmer groups
 - Training of women in improving economic standards, living conditions, women involvement in leadership and improving maternal healthcare as well as household nutritional diversity

3. HACCP consultant – Lemoc Limited

October 2017 -November 2017

- Involved in developing HACCP plans for 10 new food products
- Revising and updating HACCP plans for existing products
- Development of management review schedules and plans for compliance to SANS standards.

4. Industrial attachee at Sotik Tea company

May 2013- August 2013

- Record keeping for daily tea production activities
- Supervision and monotoring of the tea production.
- Physical and chemical analysis of raw and processed tea.
- Participated in ISO food safety systems training and auditing

5. B.O.G teacher at St Paul's Omonayo Sec. School May 2009- October 2010

- Taught Biology, Chemistry, History and CRE.
- Appointed games department head and a classteacher.

6. Enumerator, Ministry of Planning, National Development and Vision 2030 August 2009 - September 2009

- Counting people for Census purposes and filling questionnaires with relevant information for statistical purposes.
- Participated in teamwork data cleaning process and report writing for the areas covered.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED AND

- 23rd 27th October 2018 18th IUFoST congress, Mumbai India
- 18th- 20th June 2018 SWITCH Africa Green Programme Launch of Phase II Grants and Phase I Survey, Laico Regency hotel.
- 25th -28th March 2018 Pan African Society for Agricultural Engineering 2018, Southern Sun Mayfair Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya
- 28th 31st March 2017 1st All-Africa Post-harvest Congress and Exhibition held at Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi Kenya.
- 7th 9th March 2017 Propak East Africa Conference on processing, packaging and printing in East Africa held at Kenyatta International Conference Centre.
- 19th January 2017 Participated in Food safety symposium and global food safety curriculum development organized by Food Science and Technology Platform of Kenya (FoSTeP-K) and International Union of Food Science and Technology (IUFoST) Nairobi (Kenya), Laico Regency hotel
- 16th January 20th January 2017 22nd Session of FAO/WHO Regional Codex Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA22) held in Nairobi (Kenya) organized by Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) and Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS)
- 29th March 1st April, 2016 The First East African Food Safety, Nutrition, Agro-Processing and Innovation Conference and participated in Aflatoxin Management Nairobi (Kenya)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Member - Food Science and Technology Platform of Kenya (FOSTEP-K)

PUBLICATIONS

1. Omayio, D. G., Abong, G. O., and Okoth, M. W. (2016). A Review of Occurrence of Glycoalkaloids in Potato and Potato Products, *Journal of Current Research in Nutrition and Food Science*, 4(3), 195–202. (Available online at: http://www.foodandnutritionjournal.org)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1. Awarded A full PhD scholarship under FRUVASE project
- 2. Awarded Gandhi Samarak Nidhi Scholarship for MSc.
- 3. Third best student in Food Science class of 2014

OTHER SKILLS

1. **Excellent Computer literacy:** Microsoft office suite: word, excel, power point. Internet services, SPSS, GenStat.

INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

- Reading
- Travelling and Nature walks
- Watching documentaries.

REFEREES

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