

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EMPLOYMENT:

1970 -1974	Lecturer Pharmacology, Toxicology
1975 – 1978	Senior Lecturer/Chairman, Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medicine, University of Nairobi.
1979 1983	Associate Professor/Chairman
1983 –To date	Professor of Pharmacology
1984 – 1988	Associate Dean, (Pharmacy) Faculty of Pharmacy

## INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

- Consultant, United Nations Narcotic Laboratory, Geneva 1979.
- Member of OAU/STRC Committee on African Pharmacopoeia 1980.
- Who is Who in the World 5<sup>th</sup> Ed 1982 P 605.
- Men of Achievement 9<sup>th</sup> Ed 1982 P464.
- External Examiner, Pharmacology for several Universities in Africa (Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia).
- External Assessor for Professorial appointments in several African Universities (Uganda, Tanzania, Nigeria and Kenyan Universities).
- Fulbright Senior Scholar, University of Minnesota, 1979.
- World Health Consultant (Several Projects)
- GTZ Consultant.

## **NON-ACADEMIC POSITIONS IN KENYA**

- 2008 TO DATE – Member, Pest Control Products Board (PCPB).
- 2008 to date - Chairman, Technical Committee (PCPB).
- Chairman, Drug Registration Committee, Ministry of Health, Kenya 1980 – 1986) and 2004 – 2009.
- Past Member, Medical Research and Ethical Committee, Ministry of Health Kenya 1978.
- Chairman/Member National Council of Science and Technology, Specialist Committee on Medical Research 1980 – 1986.
- Member, Staff Disciplinary Committee – Kenyatta National Hospital (1980 – 1984). Member, Ministerial Tender Board, Technical Evaluation Committee on Drugs (1882 – 1986).

## **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND SYMPOSIA**

Attended several International Conferences in several countries (Britain, France, Malagasy, Zimbabwe, Somalia, Tanzania etc) and made presentations.

## **POSTGRADUATES SUPERVISION**

16 Masters and 8 PhD Theses in field of Pharmacology and Toxicology.

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A Comparative study of two antispasmodic products: Buscopan and NO-Spa. *East Afr Med J.* 1985 Jul; 62(7): 480-5.
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The need for a poison information centre in Kenya. *East Afr Med J.* 1983 Sep; 60(9): 597-8.
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- 24. Peterson D.W., Maitai C.K., Sparber S.B.**  
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