

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

DATE OF BIRTH : 11TH MARCH 1969
CITIZENSHIP : KENYAN
MARITAL STATUS : MARRIED
LANGUAGES : ENGLISH, KISWAHILI AND LUO – ALL WRITTEN
AND SPOKEN. WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF FRENCH
PHYSICAL DATA : HEIGHT – 5 FEET 5 INCHES; WEIGHT – 70 KGS

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS AND MEDALS

AMERICAN MEDAL OF HONOR - LIMITED STRIKING - 2003 FROM THE AMERICAN BIOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE (ABI)

WOMAN OF THE YEAR - 2003 FROM THE ABI

WORLD SILVER MEDAL FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERIES PROGRAMME ON THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION - JUNE 26TH 2003

BEST FEMALE (UNDER 35) ORAL PRESENTER AT THE FIRST PAN-AFRICAN CONFERENCE ON BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY (SEPTEMBER 2-6, 1996, NAIROBI, KENYA) - STILL AWAITING CERTIFICATE

ON-GOING RESEARCH

PhD work on anthelmintic resistance in sheep

PUBLICATIONS AND ABSTRACTS OF CONFERENCES ATTENDED

Oguna, M. J. (2003) Mental illness - an opportunity to minister; neither a life nor death sentence. First East African Cross Border Workshop on Barriers to Effective Mental Health. Nairobi, Kenya.

Skinner, S. M., Schwoebel, E. S., Prasad, S. V., **Oguna, M.**, Dunbar, B. S. (1999) Mapping of dominant B-cell epitopes of a human zona pellucida protein (ZP1). *Biology of Reproduction* 61, 1373-1380.

Oguna, M. J. (1997) Comparison of pig and rabbit zonae pellucidae vaccination in the female baboon (*Papio anubis*): Analysis of immunogenicity and ovarian pathology. Master of Science Thesis, WHO-sponsored Pan- African Programme in Reproductive Biology, University of Nairobi, Kenya.

Ndolo, T., **Oguna M.**, Dunbar, B. S. and Schwoebel, E. D. (1996) Immunogenicity of

zona pellucida vaccines. Journal of Reproduction and Fertility Supplement 50, 151-158.

Oguna, M. J., Ndolo, T. M., Makokha, A. O., Wango, E. O., Bamba, C. S., Dunbar, B. S., Schwoebel, E. D. (1996) Comparison of pig and rabbit zonae pellucidae vaccination in the female baboon (*Papio anubis*): Analysis of immunogenicity and ovarian pathology. 16th American Society for Reproductive Immunology Meeting, Knoxville, Tennessee, USA.

Oguna, M. J., Ndolo, T. M., Wango, E. O., Owiti, G. O., Dunbar, B. S. and Schwoebel E. D. (1996). Pig and rabbit zonae pellucidae vaccination in the female baboon (*Papio anubis*): Comparison of immunogenicity. First Pan-African Conference on Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, UNEP, Nairobi, Kenya.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

POSTGRADUATE (1993 TO 1997) : UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

FACULTY : Veterinary Medicine

QUALIFICATION : Master of Science in Reproductive Biology (Pan - African Programme sponsored by the WHO) - Best overall in course work

ACADEMIC AWARDS : Honorarium from the California Regional Primate Research Centre for lecturing and scientific collaboration (July 1, 1996, Davis, California, USA)

: 21.5 Credit Hours in Category 1 of The Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association (June 26- 29, 1996, Knoxville, Tennessee, USA)

UNDERGRADUATE (1988 - 1992) : UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

FACULTY : Veterinary Medicine

QUALIFICATION : Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine (2nd best overall).

HIGH SCHOOL (1986 – 1987) : MOI GIRLS' SCHOOL NAIROBI

SUBJECTS TAKEN : Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology and

General Paper

QUALIFICATION : Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education – 3 Principal Passes and 1 Subsidiary Pass

ACADEMIC AWARDS : MOI GIRLS’ SCHOOL NAIROBI;
1987 – Best Student in Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology

SECONDARY SCHOOL (1982 – 1985) : MOI GIRLS’ SCHOOL NAIROBI

QUALIFICATION : Kenya Certificate of Education Division 1 - 12 Points

ACADEMIC AWARDS : MOI GIRLS’ SCHOOL NAIROBI;
1985 - Best Student in Mathematics, Geography, English Language and French
1984 - Best Overall Student
1983 - Best Overall Student
1982 – 2nd Best Overall Student

PRIMARY SCHOOL (1975 – 1981) : PARKROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

QUALIFICATION : Kenya Certificate of Primary Education – 33 Points

ACADEMIC AWARDS : 1981 – City Council of Nairobi – Education Department – Participated in Team that won 4th place in the Inter – Primary School Quiz

RESPONSIBILITIES HELD WHILE SCHOOLING

POSTGRADUATE (1993 – 1997) : Class coordinator – M.Sc. Reproductive Biology Programme, University of Nairobi

UNDERGRADUATE (1990) : Captain, Mandela Hall Indoor Games and Chess Team, University of Nairobi

HIGH SCHOOL (1987) : Head Prefect, Moi Girls’ School Nairobi

SECONDARY SCHOOL (1985) : Deputy House Captain and Prefect,
Moi Girls' School Nairobi
PRIMARY SCHOOL (1981) : Captain, Senior Quiz and Debating
Team, Parkroad Primary School

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

MARCH 1999 TO DATE : Lecturer, Department of Public
Health, Pharmacology and
Toxicology, University of
Nairobi, Kenya
MARCH 1996 TO FEBRUARY 1999 : Tutorial Fellow, Department of
Public Health, Pharmacology
and Toxicology, University of
Nairobi, Kenya
APRIL 1993 TO FEBRUARY 1996 : Junior Research Fellow,
Department of Animal
Physiology, University of Nairobi,
Kenya
FEBRUARY 1988 TO JUNE 1988 : Office Clerk, Kenya National
Examinations Council, Mitihani
House, Nairobi, Kenya

PERSONAL INTERESTS

SPORTS : Active interest in chess,
athletics, lawn tennis, table
tennis and netball.
OTHER INTERESTS : Advocacy for mental health
consumers; reading, especially
scientific literature; participating
in educational seminars and
workshops; writing and
performing poetry; singing;
playing piano and
tambourine; involvement in
voluntary community service
MEMBERSHIPS : Interim Secretary, Kenya
Women's Society for
Biochemistry and Molecular
Biology

: Kenya Women's Veterinary Association and Kenya Veterinary Association

: PHET Consultancy Unit, Department of Public Health, Pharmacology and Toxicology, University of Nairobi, Kenya

: Peer Coordinator, Schizophrenia Foundation of Kenya

PERTINENT INFORMATION

CAREER

: Action oriented career in research, lecturing and consultancy – career development a priority

GOALS

: Achievement, success, creativity and role modeling with the ultimate aim of making worthwhile and lasting contributions to humanity

REFEREES

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