

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:

1983 – 1987: **Nairobi University**: BACHELOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE (BVM)
Awarded BVM Dec. 1987.

1987 – 1989: **Nairobi University**: MASTERS OF SCIENCE. Awarded degree Masters of Science (MSc) in Veterinary Pathology and Microbiology in September 1992.

1995 – 2000: **Nairobi University**: PhD: Awarded PhD degree in **Veterinary Parasitology** in November 2000.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION: VETERINARY SURGEON

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:

ADVANCED LEVEL: Nyeri high school: 1979 – 1981
Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (KACE)
(3 Principal passes and one subsidiary pass)
Major subjects taken: Chemistry, Biology and Geography

SECONDARY LEVEL: Githumu high school: 1975 – 1978
East African Certificate of Education (EACE)

PRIMARY LEVEL: Ndakaini primary school: 1968 – 1974
Certificate of Primary Education (CPE).

WORKING EXPERIENCE:

1. JUNE 1987 – NOVEMBER 1987, Worked as a Veterinary Officer with the Kenya Government, Ministry of Livestock Development in Kiharu Division Muranga District.
2. SEPTEMBER 1989 – NOVEMBER 1991, Worked as an assistant lecturer in the Department of Veterinary Pathology and Microbiology. Teaching undergraduate students Veterinary Parasitology, Special Pathology and Diagnostic Pathology.
3. NOVEMBER 1991 – MAY 2002, Worked as a lecturer in the above Department. Extra duties included teaching postgraduate students taking courses in advanced Parasitology and Applied Veterinary Parasitology. Also active in research on the epidemiology, impact and control of economically important helminthes.
4. MAY 2002 – Promoted to position of Senior Lecturer in the Department of Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology. Extra duties include
 1. National Coordinator of the Cysticercosis Research and Working Group in East and Southern Africa (CWGESA)
 2. Supervision of undergraduate students doing their projects.
 3. Supervision of graduate students doing Master of Science and Ph.D projects.
4. Departmental representative to the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Projects and Attachment Committee.
5. Coordinator BSc Wildlife Conservation and Tourism Management Courses taught in Department and field training.
6. Coordinator MSc Course – Natural Products and Biological Systems Interactions

7. Member of the Departmental Strategic Planning Committee 2010 - 2013
8. Have been secretary during departmental meetings responsible for taking the minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES:

1. Have been appointed Acting Chairman, Department of Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology during the following dates:

1. 28th May 2006 – 3rd June 2006
2. 22nd January – 26th January 2007
3. 26 -31st May, 4 – 5th November, 15 – 17th December 2008
4. 16th July to 10th October 2012
5. 18th – 26th April 2013, 1 3th – 17th May 2013, 29th July – 1st August 2013
6. 16th – 18th October 2013
7. 20th – 21st March 2014, 28th – 30 May 2014

2. Appointed Chairman, Department of Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology – 2nd February 2016 – 1st February 2019

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS:

A: Undergraduate projects

1. **Musili Rael Mueni** – Antischistosomal Activity of some Kenyan Medicinal Plants on Laboratory mice infected with *Schistosoma mansoni*. **BSc in Biomedical Technology Project 2005. Completed and Awarded**
2. **Nyaga Jacintah Wandiri** – Assessment of the diversity of sheep Genetic resources using microsatellites. **BSc in Biomedical Technology Project 2009. Completed**
3. **Ngatia Charles Ngonjo** – Antimalarial activity and toxicity evaluation of medicinal plants in Laboratory mice. **BSc in Biomedical Technology Project 2009. Completed**
4. **Bosire Rosevalentine** - Distribution of *Anopheles funestus* (Diptera; Culicidae) group in three sites in Western Kenya. **BSc in Biomedical Technology Project 2009. Completed**
5. **David Collins Owuor** – Efficiency of three DNA Extraction Methods on Archived Malaria Infected blood samples. **BSc in Biomedical Technology Project 2010. Completed**

6. **Kamakia Seleyiah Rodah-** Reliability of the HotSHOT Technique for DNA Extraction from mosquitoes.. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project 2010. **Completed**
7. **Mutiso Festus Muvea-** Validation of STEDNA Extraction method on whole and dried blood on filter papers infected with *Plasmodium falciparum*. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project 2010. **Completed**
8. **Ondabu Henry Ombongi:** Analysis of Fluoride content levels in various brands of Commercially bottled water. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project 2013. **Completed**
9. **Simeon Mweri Baya.** Quality Control of Iodized salt from some retail outlets in Kenya. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project 2013. **Completed**
10. **Dishon Mutemwa Muloi.** Study of the Pig Value Chain in the less Integrated Pork Sub sector in Urban and Peri urban Nairobi. BVM 5th Year Project 2013 **Completed**
11. **Cidee Night Khaseke.** Incidence of Dermatophilosis at Ol Pejeta Ranch in Nanyuki. BVM 5th Year Project 2014 **Completed**
12. **Wilkister Kelly Nakami.** Prevalence of gastrointestinal parasites in the Mona and Fora groups of sheep and goats in Marsabit county, Kenya. BVM 5th Year Project 2014 **Completed**
13. **Elizabeth Yambaine Tipape.** The impacts of Wildlife Conservation Organizations on the Society, A case study of the African Fund for Endangered Species (Giraffe Centre) Nairobi Kenya. BSc Wildlife Conservation and Management Final Year project 2014. **Completed**
14. **Chepkoech Jackline.** Point Prevalence of Human Influenza Viruses from Stored Samples at the National Influenza Centre, Nairobi. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project May 2014. **Completed.**
15. **Tutah Jack.** Effect of *Trypanosoma congolense* on Serum urea, Blood Urea Nitrogen, Blood cells and Weight in Mice. **BSc** in Biomedical Technology Project May 2014. **Completed**
16. **Abdullahi K. Bulle:** A study on prevalence of camel parasites in AthiRiver Abattoir. BVM 5th Year Project 2015. **Completed**

17. **Khalechi M. Humprey:** Investigation of the causes of Chicken Mortality in Nakuru Town. BVM 5th Year Project 2015. **Completed**
18. **Mugo S. Gachau:** Aspect of pig production parameters among small scale pig farmers around Kabete. BVM 5th Year Project 2015. **Completed**
19. **Wanjohi Victoria Wangui:** Using Physical Characteristics to Identify and Catalogue Individual Eastern Mountain Bongo (*Tragelaphus eurycerus isaaci*) at Mount Kenya Game Ranch. BSc Wildlife Conservation and Management Final Year project 2015. **Completed.**

B Master of Science projects

1. **Mutua F.K.** – A study on the Epidemiology and Risk factor Assessment of Porcine Cysticercosis in Teso District, Kenya. **MSc in Veterinary Epidemiology and Economics, University of Nairobi 2004. Completed and Awarded**
2. **Maria Ejlersen** – Application of the FAMACHA technique in Diagnosis and Control of the Barber pole worm *Haemonchus contortus* in goats in Central Kenya. **MSc in Tropical Parasitology, The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University Denmark 2005 Completed and Awarded**
3. **Solomon Mbevo Nzai** – A survey of Zoonotic pig helminthes in Kibera Division of Nairobi District – Kenya. **MSc in Tropical Parasitology, The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University Denmark 2005. Completed and awarded**
4. **Irene Kamanja** – A survey of *Schistosoma bovis* infection in cattle in Kwale district Kenya. **MSc in Applied Veterinary Parasitology, University of Nairobi 2005. Completed and Awarded**
5. **Carolyne Wanjiku Muneri** : Assessment of health Risks Associated with urban Agriculture Reuse of waste water for Irrigation. **MSc Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology Completed and awarded 2011**
6. **Donald M. Lubembe:** Molecular Characterization of the Infection and Treatment Method (ITM) vaccine for East Coast Fever using Microsatellite and Minisatellite markers. **MSc Applied Veterinary Parasitology University of Nairobi. Completed and awarded 2011.**

7. Obonyo Fredrick Ojiambo: Epidemiology and public Health Importance of gastrointestinal helminthes and hemoparasites of pigs in Homabay District, Kenya. . **MSc Applied Veterinary Parasitology Completed and awarded 2011**

8. Eric Emali Eshitera: A survey of porcine cysticercosis and risk factor of Teaniosis in Homabay District. **MSc Veterinary epidemiology and economics University of Nairobi. Completed and awarded 2012**

9. Yvonne Omore : Molecular Epidemiology of Cystic Echinococcosis in Livestock Laikipia West Sub-County, Kenya. **Ongoing January 2016**

C Ph.D Supervision - Completed

1. **Francis K.Njonge** Epidemiological Survey and Control strategies of Gastrointestinal Nematodes of Cattle in Kirinyaga District, Kenya. **Ph.D** in Veterinary Parasitology, Zoology Department Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology.

Completed and awarded 2012

2. **John Maina Kagira:** The Epidemiology and Economic Importance of Pig Parasites with Empasis on Zoonoses in small holder pig farms in Busia District Kenya. **Ph.D** in Veterinary Parasitology, University of Nairobi. **Completed and awarded 2010**

3. **Charles Owino Odhong**”: Integration of Organic Milk Production in Certified Small Holder Organic Farms in Kenya **Ph.D Livestock Production Systems. Completed and Awarded 2014**

4. **Jacquiline Kasiiti Lichoti.** Potential Role of Social Networks in controlling African Swine Fever (ASF) on the Kenya – Uganda Border. **Ph.D Epidemiology** Department of Public Health Pharmacology and Toxicology University of Nairobi. **Completed and Awarded December 2015**

D: Ph.D Supervision – Ongoing

1. **Kithuka James Mutiira:** A survey of *Cryptosporidium* in donkeys, watering points, humans and waste water in Lamu Islands, Kenya. **Ph.D 2013 Veterinary Parasitology University of Nairobi**

THESIS EXAMINATION

1. **External Examiner of Dr Nyongesa Nafuna Concepta's MSc thesis**
Entitled "Health Risk posed by calves in the transmission of zoonotic *Cryptosporidium parvum* in urban smallholder dairy production in Dagoretti Division of Nairobi, Kenya. **July 2009**
2. **Internal Examiner for Dr John Maina Kagira's Ph.D thesis.** Entitled:
Epidemiology and Control of Pig Parasites in Small holder pig farms in Busia District, Kenya **September 2009**
3. **Internal Examiner Obonyo Fredrick Ojiambo's MSc thesis** Titled
Epidemiology and public Health Importance of gastrointestinal helminthes and hemoparasites of pigs in Homabay District, Kenya. **July 2011**
4. **Internal Examiner of Dr Kabaka Waweru MSc Thesis** Titled Prevalence and risk factors for Gastrointestinal nematode infection and efficacies of anthelmintics in cattle in Mukurwe-ini and Nakuru Districts **July 2011**
5. **Internal Examiner of Dr Eric Emali Eshitera's MSc Thesis** titled
Prevalence of porcine cysticercosis in free range pigs and the associated risk factors in Homa Bay District, Kenya **November 2011**
6. **Internal Examiner for Dr Andrew Konde Matole's MSc Thesis** titled " A study on the causes of puppy morbidity and mortality among dog breeders in Nairobi County and its environs" **November 2014**
7. **Internal Examiner for Dr Lichoti Jacqueline Kasiti's Ph.D Thesis** titled
"Potential Role of Social Networks in Controlling African Swine Fever risk on Kenya – Uganda border" **June 2015**

Member of board of examiners for the following

- i. Dr John Maina Kagira's **Ph.D Thesis December 2009**
- ii. Dr Joshua Oluoch Amimo's **Ph.D thesis September 2014**
- iii. Dr Lichoti Jacqueline Kasiti's **Ph.D thesis November 2015**

- iv. Dr Andrew Konde Matole's **MSc Thesis February 2015**
- v. Amos Kamau Kiragu's **MSc Thesis July 2015**
- vi. Mr Kiraithe Micheni Ndei's **MSc thesis November 2015**
- vii. Dr Nelson Ochieng Owage's **MSc Thesis July 2014**
- viii. Dr Kisa Toroitich – **Msc Thesis November 2013**
- ix. Dr Eric Eshitera Emali – **Msc Thesis March 2012**
- x. Dr Fredrick Ojiambo's **MSc Thesis August 2011**
- xi. Dr Waweru Kabaka's **MSc Thesis August 2011**
- xii. Dr Donald M. Lubembe – **Msc Thesis November 2010**
- xiii. Lucas Luvai Azaale Asaava's **MSc Thesis -June 2009**
- xiv. Dr Kiema Edward Kisenge's **MSc Thesis – January 2009**
- xv. Florence Kanini Mutua's **MSc thesis - May 2006**

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

1. External Examiner – Faculty of Agriculture, Department of Land Resources, Planning & Management/ Department of Animal Science JKUAT 2010 – 2014. Courses in BSc Animal Health, Production and Processing. Reappointed for a period of **2 years Effective 5th August 2014**

2. Appointed External Examiner for the Animal Health and Industry Training Institutes by Dean FVM July 2014

CONSULTANCIES:

1. National Consultant – Pig Sector Review in Kenya- Project of FAO –ECTAD Regional Office for East Africa , July – October 2010.

Submitted a comprehensive report on the pig sector in Kenya after interacting with various stakeholders in the livestock industry in Kenya. The report included current policies and legal frame work affecting the pig sector in Kenya. The strength, potential and weaknesses of the industry were analyzed and a strategy for the pig industry formulated.

2. Appointed member to the taskforce on National Pig Development Strategy (NPDS) by PS Ministry of Livestock Development – June 2012

The National Pig Development Strategy was completed in June 2013. A cabinet Memo was prepared. Document to be tabled in Cabinet for approval and implementation.

3.Appointed Member of the Internship Implementation Subcommittee of the Kenya Veterinary Board 2014.

LINKAGES ESTABLISHED

Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI)
International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)
Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
Kenya Agricultural Research Institute (KARI)
Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS)
Institute of Primate Research (IPR)
Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT)
Mount Kenya University
Egerton University
Kenyatta University
Kenya National Pig Farmers Association
Ministry of Health (MOH)
Ministry of Livestock Development
Ministry of Education

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Kenya Government: 1983 – 1987 - Undergraduate Studies.
University of Nairobi: 1987 – 1989 – Masters studies.
DANIDA ENRECA Livestock Helminth Research Project:
1995 – 1999 – PhD studies.

SEMINARS / CONFERENCES ATTENDED

1. . Attended a one day regional Kenya Veterinary Board Stakeholders workshop at KARI Headquarters - Tuesday 21st May 2013
2. Biennial Scientific Conference of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Nairobi Kenya November **2004, 2006. 2008. 2010, 2012, 2014**
3. 19th International conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) New Orleans LA August 2003.
4. 18th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Stressa Italy August 2001
5. 10th DANIDA funded Livestock Helminth Research Project Annual Seminar May 2001 Nairobi Kenya.
6. 17th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Copenhagen Denmark August 1999
7. Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Biennial Scientific Conference, August 1998.
8. 16th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Sun City South Africa August 1997.

9. International Symposium on Veterinary Epidemiology and Economics (ISVEE), Nairobi August 1994.
10. Kenya Veterinary Association Scientific Conference on Veterinary Helminthology November 1993.
11. Kenya Veterinary Association Annual Scientific Conference on Veterinary Education and Needs in the 21st century April 1993.
12. 2nd DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project Annual Seminar January 1993.
13. Animal Production Society of Kenya Annual Symposium November 1991 Nairobi.
14. Nairobi Cluster Scientific Meeting – Application of Biotechnology October 1991.
15. African Small Ruminant Research Network (ASNET) Biannual Conference December 1990 Nairobi Kenya.
16. Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Annual Scientific Conference, 13 – 15 September 1990.
17. 4th African, Mediterranean and Near East congress of Clinical Chemistry January 1990.
18. Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Annual Scientific Conference, 13 – 15 September 1989.

TRAINING WORKSHOPS ATTENDED:

1. Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Workshop Practical Approaches for diagnosis and treatment of Poultry Diseases. Organized by Department of Veterinary Pathology, Microbiology and Parasitology – 6th August 2014.
2. Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Workshop Diagnosis as a tool for Animal Health – Organized by KWVA – 18th July 2014
3. **Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Training on Enhancing Healthy Production Systems for Socio-Economic Gains.** Organized by Kenya Veterinary Association Central Branch , 30th September to 1st October 2013 at Wambuku Hotel Naivasha.
4. **Pig feeding trial Review** meeting held on June 22nd 2012 at JMB Motel Kerugoya – International Potato Centre – Animal Feed SASHA Project
5. **PhD Supervision Training Workshop 23 – 25th March 2011** - University of Nairobi , College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences
6. **FAO – ECTAD Workshop for pig sector stakeholders** NURU PALACE HOTEL, NAKURU 10 -11th NOVEMBER 2010
7. **International Conference/ workshop on Neglected Tropical Diseases** – Hidden Successes, Emerging Opportunities. Charles Merieux Centre Bamako, Mali. 25 – 27th September 2008.
8. **International Workshop on Veterinary Public Health.** Organized by Centre for International Cooperation (MASHAV) and Centre for International Agricultural Development Cooperation (CINADCO) Israel March – April 2003.
9. **International Action Planning workshop on *Taenia solium* cysticercosis and taeniosis** with special focus in East and Southern Africa. Organized by DBL,

DANIDA ENRECA and the Cysticercosis Working Group in East and Southern Africa (CWGESA) Arusha Tanzania August 2002.

10. **Disseminating Research Findings to Farmers.** Workshop on production of farmer friendly extension materials to disseminate the research finding. Organized by DANIDA ENRECA LHRP in Eastern and Southern Africa and Facilitated by Development communications. Nairobi May 200
11. **Human Helminth Infections – Future Research Foci:** Workshop Held in Lusaka Zambia March 2001. Organized by the Danish Bilharziasis Laboratory
12. **Biological Control of Gastrointestinal Nematodes Using Predacious Fungi.** Practical training on the isolation, identification and cultivation of predacious fungi that feed on nematodes. Ipoh Malaysia October 1997. Organized by the Danish Centre for Experimental Parasitology and FAO.

PAPERS PRESENTED DURING CONFERENCES:

1. Khaseke, C.N., **Githigia, S.M.**, Shah D.N. 2014. Incidence of Dermatophilosis in young calves at Ol Pejeta Ranch Nanyuki. Presented at the 9th FVM Biennial conference 3rd – 5th September held at Kabete - Programme and Abstracts page 69.
2. Wilkister Nakami, Claire Okell, Mutembei H., **Githigia, S.M.** and Otieno, R. 2014. A study of the prevalence of internal parasites in the fora and mona groups of sheep and goat populations in Marsabit County. Presented at the 9th FVM Biennial conference 3rd – 5th September held at Kabete - Programme and Abstracts page 71.
3. **Githigia Samuel 2013.** Overview of the pig Sector in Kenya. Presented at the AGRI-PROFOCUS/ KLPA Stakeholders meeting on the pig sector on Exploring Business Opportunities in the Pig Sector held on 3rd October 2013 at Silver Springs Hotel Nairobi.
4. Cooper, J.E, Cooper M.E., Nyaga P.N., Gathumbi, P.K., Mbuthia, P.G., Njagi, L.W. and **Githigia, S.M.** (2012). Veterinary Forensic Medicine: an emerging and important discipline. Presented at the 8th joint FVM/ KVA Biennial Conference 26 – 30 April 2012 Safari park Hotel
5. Lubembe, D.M., **Githigia, S.M.**, Chogo, P., Athumani, H. M. and Kitaa J.M. 2012. Management of bovine papillomatosis using an autogenous Vaccine: A case study in Bukura Agricultural College, Western Kenya. Presented at the 8th joint FVM/ KVA Biennial Conference 26 – 30 April 2012 Safari park Hotel.
6. **Githigia, S.M.**, Murekefu, K., Kahai, R. (2003). Prevalence of porcine Cysticercosis and risk factors for *Taenia solium* taeniosis in Funyula Division of Busia District Kenya. Presented at the 19th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) New Orleans LA 10th – 14th August 2003.
7. **Githigia, S.M.** (2001). Cysticercosis and Hydatidosis in Kenya. Presented at the Human Helminth Infections – Future Research Foci workshop Lusaka Zambia 5 – 9th March 2001.
8. **Githigia, S.M.**, Maingi, N., Willingham, A.L. and Boa, M.E. (2001). Porcine cysticercosis in Kenya. Presented at the 10th Annual meeting of the DANIDA ENRECA LHRP ILRI Nairobi Kenya 3rd – 5th May 2001.

9. **Githigia, S.M.** Thamsborg, S.M. and Larsen, M. (2001) Effectiveness of grazing management in the control of gastrointestinal nematodes in weaner lambs in Denmark. Presented at the 18th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Stressa, Italy 26th – 30th August 2001.
10. **Githigia S.M.**, Larsen, M., Thamsborg, S.M., Nansen, P. (1998). The effect of *Duddingtonia flagrans* on naturally acquired ovine nematode infections. Presented at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine Biennial Scientific Conference, 5 – 7th August 1998.
11. **Githigia, S.M.**, Thamsborg, S.M., Nansen, P., Munyua, W.K. and Maingi, N. (1999). Impact of gastrointestinal helminthes on production in goats. Presented at the 17th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Copenhagen Denmark 15th – 19th August 1999.
12. **Githigia, S.M.**, Thamsborg, S.M., Nansen, P., Munyua, W.K. and Maingi, N. (1999). Biological control of sheep nematodes and the epidemiology, control and impact of naturally acquired gastrointestinal nematodes in goats. Presented at the 8th Annual meeting of the DANIDA ENRECA LHRP Copenhagen Denmark 24 – 25th August 1999.
13. **Githigia, S.M.**, Larsen, M., Thamsborg, S.M., Nansen, P. and Kyvsgaard, N.C. (1997). Variation in the shedding of various species of *Nematodirus* by naturally infected lambs over the grazing period in Denmark. Presented at the 6th DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting, ILRI, Nairobi Kenya 27 – 31st January 1997.
14. Thamsborg, S.M., **Githigia, S.M.**, Larsen, M., Kyvsgaard, N.C. and Nansen, P. (1997). The effect of a nematode destroying fungus *Duddingtonia flagrans* on natural nematode infections of grazing sheep. Presented at the 4th International Congress for Sheep Veterinarians Armidale Australia 2 – 6th February 1997.
15. **Githigia, S.M.**, Munyua, W.K., Thamsborg, S.M. Kyule, M.N. and Nansen, P. (1997). A helminth infection in goats – Effect of treatment at beginning of rains on weight and faecal egg counts on large and small-scale farms in Central Kenya. Presented at the 16th International Conference for the World Association for the Advancement of Veterinary Parasitology (WAAVP) Sun City South Africa 10th – 15th August 1997.
16. **Githigia, S.M.** (1997). Importance of gastrointestinal helminth to the livestock industry in Kenya. Presented at the FAO – DCEP workshop on Biological control of gastrointestinal nematodes using predacious fungi. 5th – 12th October 1997.
17. **Githigia, S.M.**, Larsen, M., Thamsborg, S.M., Nansen, P. and Kyvsgaard, N.C. (1996). Biological control of sheep nematodes by use of nematode destroying fungi *Duddingtonia flagrans*. Presented at the 5th DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting, Harare Zimbabwe 18 – 24 January 1996.
18. **Githigia, S.M.**, Okomo. M.O., Inyangala, B.O., Wanyoike, M.M. Okeyo, M. and Munyua, S.J.M. (1995). Prevalence and infection levels of helminth in goats at Machanga field station over a period of one year. Presented at the 4th DANIDA

funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting, Arusha Tanzania 23 – 27 January 1995.

19. **Githigia, S.M.** and Okeyo, M. (1995). Preliminary survey of the importance of goats and constraints of helminthiasis to goats production among small scale farmers in Machanga location Embu. Presented at the 4th DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting, Arusha Tanzania 23 – 27 January 1995.
20. **Githigia, S.M.**, Okomo, M.A., Inyangala, B.O., Okeyo, M. and Thamsborg, S.M. (1995). Prevalence of parasitic diseases of goats on small scale farms in Embu District Kenya. Presented at the 17th symposium of the Scandinavian Society for Parasitology, Jyvaskyla, Finland 15 – 17 June 1995.
21. Thamsborg, S.M., **Githigia, S.M.** and Larsen, M. (1995). New and old approaches to the control of nematodes. Presented at the autumn meeting of the Sheep Veterinary Society, Sandnes, Norway 6 – 8 September 1995.
22. **Githigia, S.M.** (1995) Diseases affecting goats in arid and semi arid areas in the tropics- economic importance, an example from Kenya. Poster presented at the 8th International Conference of the Association for the Institutions of Tropical Veterinary Medicine (AITVM), Berlin, 25 – 29 September 1995.
23. **Githigia, S.M.**, Mwangi, D.M., Kimoro, C.O. and Gichanga, E.J. (1993). Prevalence and Economic importance of some helminthes in abattoirs around Nairobi. Presented at the 2nd DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting. Nairobi January 18 – 22 1993.
24. **Githigia, S.M.**, Munyua, W.K. and Kanyari P.W.N. (1993). Prevalence of coccidiosis in goats in Kenya. Presented at the 2nd DANIDA funded Ruminant Helminth Research Project annual meeting. Nairobi January 18 – 22 1993.
25. **Githigia, S.M.** and Waruiru, R.M. (1990). The prevalence of coccidian of goats in Naromoru area of Kenya. Presented at the 8th SR – CRSP Scientific workshop, 7 – 8 March 1990 Nairobi Kenya.

TITLES OF THESIS

1. Ph.D

Githigia, Samuel Maina (2000) The epidemiology and Impact of gastrointestinal nematode infections in goats in Kenya and the effect of grazing management and biological control on gastrointestinal nematodes in sheep in Denmark. **PhD thesis University of Nairobi**, 2000.

2. MSc

Githigia, Samuel Maina. (1990) Caprine Coccidiosis: Epidemiological studies and aspects of pathology. **Masters of Science Thesis University of Nairobi** 1990.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:

1. Jacqueline Kasiiti Lichoti, Jocelyn Davies, Philip M. Kitala, Samuel. M. Githigia, Edward Okoth', Yiheyis Maru, Salome. A. Bukachi, Richard P. Bishop (2016). Social network analysis provides insights into African swine fever epidemiology. **Preventive Veterinary Medicine Journal - Accepted**
2. Odhong, C. , Wahome, R. G., Vaarst, M., Nalubwama, S., Kiggundu, M., Halberg, N., & **Githigia, S.** (2014). In vitro anthelmintic effects of crude aqueous extracts of *Tephrosia vogelii*, *Tephrosia villosa* and *Carica papaya* leaves and seeds. *African Journal of Biotechnology* , 13(52), 4667-4672.
3. Odhong' C., Wahome R.G., Vaarst M., Kiggundu M., Nalubwawa S., Halberg N and **Githigia S.**(2014). Challenges of conversion to organic dairy production and prospects of future development in integrated smallholder farms in Kenya. *Livestock Research for Rural Development* Volume 26 (7) 2014. 125
4. F.K. Njonge, M. Mutugi, P.G. Kareru, **S.M. Githigia**, R. Waihenya and W.O. Nyakundi (2013). Assessment of herbal anthelmintics used by farmers in Kirinyaga county Kenya, for the treatment of helminthosis in cattle. *African Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmacology* Vol. 7 (29) pages 2100 – 2104.
5. Obonyo, F.O., Maingi, N., **Githigia, S.M.**, Ng'ang'a, C.J. (2013). Farming practices and risk factors for transmission of helminthes of free range pigs in Homabay District, Kenya. *Livestock Research for Rural Development* 25 (03) 2013
6. Eshitera E.E., **Githigia, S.M.**, Kitala, P.M., Lian F. T., Eric M.F., Leslie JS Harrison, Mwihi, E.W., Otieno, R.O., Obonyo, F.O. and Maingi, N (2012). Prevalence of porcine cystercosis and associated risk factors in Homa Bay District, Kenya. *BMC Veterinary Research* 2012, **8** 234 - 239
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RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Current Research Activities:

1. Potential Role of Social Networks on African Swine Fever (ASF) Risk along Kenya – Uganda Border.
3. Developing Innovative Strategies to Enhance Integration of Organic Milk Production in Certified Organic Farms.
4. Development of the Kenya National Pig Development strategy

2. Completed Research Activities

1. Genetic studies of Galla and Small East African Goats and their correlated growth and reproduction performance under different nutritional levels and *Haemonchus* challenge (Funded by ILCA and University of Nairobi).
2. Ruminant Helminth Research. Joint project between DANIDA, Royal Veterinary & Agricultural University Denmark and Parasitology section of the University of Nairobi. Research on epidemiology and control of economically important ruminant helminthes. The project established the important nematodes and recommended various control strategies to farmers.
3. Biological control of gastrointestinal nematodes using nematophagous fungi *Duddingtonia flagrans*. The project showed that this fungi is able to significantly reduce pasture contamination and infective larvae uptake by grazing lambs.
4. Prevalence, impact and control of gastrointestinal helminthes in goats in the marginal and semi arid areas of Kenya. This project was funded by DANIDA / ENRECA and University of Nairobi. The project established the prevalence of the helminthes in goats, their impact and sustainable control measures of the same in goats.
5. The effectiveness of grazing management practices in the control of gastrointestinal nematodes in weaner lambs on pasture. This project showed that moving sheep to a clean pasture rested for one year has beneficial effects comparable to monthly dosing.
6. Application of the FARMACHA technique in diagnosis and control of the barber pole worm, *Haemonchus contortus*, in goats in Central Kenya. On farm research project that seeks to reduce the number of anthelmintic treatments and delay onset of anthelmintic resistance. Project involves University of Nairobi and The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University of Denmark. An MSc student from Denmark is attached to this project on two farms in Thika and Maragua districts.
7. Diagnosis and Control Tools and Strategies for *Taenia solium* Cysticercosis. **Coordinator of field activities and implementation of research activities in Kenya.** Supervisor of students and conducting awareness generating workshops on the control of porcine cysticercosis. **training smallholder pig farmers, pig traders and meat inspectors** on various aspects of pig production and management. Project between University of Nairobi, Sokoine University, Makerere, National Research Laboratory, Rwanda, ILRI, Central Veterinary Laboratory Kinshasa, DRC, National Veterinary Laboratory Burundi and Faculty of Sciences University of Antananarivo, Madagascar. Funded by ASARECA. Two MSc students attached

8. Survey and diagnosis of porcine cysticercosis in Kenya. Project funded by DANIDA ENRECA LHRP with the aim of establishing the prevalence and impact of the disease in areas where positive cases identified at meat inspection originate. The project is also **training smallholder pig farmers, pig traders and meat inspectors** on various aspects of pig production and management. This includes Feeding and nutrition, Housing, breeding, Health and Marketing of pigs. The project is also extending across the borders of Uganda and Tanzania where some of the positive pigs originate.
9. Survey, diagnosis, treatment and control of *Taenia solium* cysticercosis and taeniosis in human beings in East and southern Africa. The project is funded by DANIDA with support from DCEP, DBL, WHO, FAO. The project organized an international action-planning workshop in Arusha in August 2002 on the disease in the region. The overall goal is to establish the prevalence of the infection in human beings and sustainable control measures. Prevalence of neurocysticercosis in the region will also be established. The project is linked to other similar projects in Central America and South East Asia.
10. Main facilitator and resource person on **Training of Women Dairy Goat Farmers Groups** on the Health, Management, Housing, Feeding and use of FAMACHA Anemia Chart in Dairy Goats. This is been undertaken in collaboration with the Extension officers of the Ministry of Agriculture in Maragua District and targets Women groups that have benefited from Dairy Goats donated by various agencies in the poverty Alleviations campaigns.
11. Assessment of health Risks Associated with urban Agriculture Reuse of waste water for Irrigation. Supervisor In-charge of parasitological risks. Project between University of Nairobi, International Potato Centre / Urban harvest and funded by IDRC. An MSc student is attached.

OUTREACH / EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

- a) Training of small scale pig farmers on various aspects of pig husbandry and management in Funyula and Bundalangi Division of Busia District – May 2002
- b) Training of small Scale Dairy Goat farmers on diagnosis, control and treatment of gastrointestinal helminthes in goats in Makuyu Division of Muranga South District. March – June 2005.
- c) . **Training of stakeholders on *Taenia solium* cysticercosis control options** - Homa bay County 11 – 16th October 2010
Trained small scale pig farmers on knowledge of *Taenia solium* and the choices available for prevention and control of *T. solium* cysticercosis and Taeniosis
- d) **PIG SECTOR REVIEW IN KENYA** – stakeholders workshop organized by FAO ECTAD at Nuru Palace Hotel Nakuru 11th November 2011. Presented a paper on Pig sector in Kenya and facilitated group discussions
- e) **Pork Value Chain Stakeholders Workshop** Organized by KARI Naivasha and Kenya Agricultural Productivity Programme (KAPP) . Held at KARI Thika Between 21st – 24th June 2011. Presented a plenary section Paper on current status of the pig sector. Participated in the drawing up of the vision, value chain maps, key players and interventions.

f) **KVB/ UON two days Continuing Professional Development Course on Trends In Veterinary Parasitology** held between 10 – 11th August 2011. Presented a paper titled “ Tapeworms and Flukes of Veterinary/ Medical Importance”

g) Reviewed **KAPP Final Report on Meat Value Chain Analysis Eastern and North Eastern regions** for Agric and Co-operative Training and Consultancy Services January 2013

f) Facilitated regional stakeholders workshops (Nairobi, Central, Rift Valley and Nyanza/ Western) for the Kenya National Pig Development Strategy where was the main consultant between October 2012 and March 2013.

FAITH: Born again Christian
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