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Program: Open University, XXVII cycle

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Department: Department of Biology and Evolution of Marine Organisms (BEOM), Stazione

Zoologica Anton Dohrn, Napoli (Italy)

Education/Training/Experience

| Institute and Location | Degree / | Year | Field of Study |
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| | Function | | |
| Department of Medical | Bachelor of | 2009-2013 | Medical Laboratory |
| Laboratory sciences, Mbarara | Science | | sciences |
| University of Science and | | | |
| Technology, Mbarara City, | | | |
| Uganda | | | |
| Department of Life Sciences, | Master of | 2017-2018 | Clinical and Molecular |
| The University of Nottingham, | Science | | Microbiology |
| Nottinghamshire, UK | | | |

Appointments and awards

- 2021 Present: Chief Medical Laboratory Technician, Faculty of Health Sciences, Muni University, Uganda
- 2019 2021: Site Research Coordinator, Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative (DNDi– LEAP), Amudat Site, Uganda
- 2015 2017: Trial Medical Laboratory Technologist, DNDi–LEAP, Amudat Hospital, Uganda
- 2013 2015: Medical Laboratory Technician, SUSTAIN–Uganda, Amudat Hospital

- 2019: Recipient of Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and Good Clinical Laboratory Practice (GCLP) certifications, The Global Health Network
- 2017: Certificate of Achievement Laboratory Quality Management Systems (LQMS), Ministry of Health, Uganda

Other matters relevant to scientific career

Member of the European Phycological Society, the International Phycological Society, the Phycological Society of America

Other Matters Relevant to Scientific Career

- Contributor to multicounty clinical trials on visceral leishmaniasis in Eastern Africa
- Registered and licensed Medical Laboratory Scientific Officer, Allied Health Professional Council of Uganda
- Participant in World Health Organization (WHO) and Ministry of Health Uganda training programmes on biosafety, infection prevention, and implementation research
- Member, Quality Assurance Committee and Procurement Unit, Muni University.
- Actively engaged in community-based health initiatives on HIV, malaria, leishmaniasis, and COVID-19 response activities

Publications

Journal Papers

- Padde, J. R., Akiteng, W., Edema, W., Atiku, S. M., Tibyangye, J., Tekakwo, J., Odeke, R., Oyella, L., Ogwang, R., Apangu, P., Angiro, I., Lali, F. W., Edoru, T., & Agondua, R. (2022). Assessment of biosafety and biorisk management practices among medical laboratory students in two institutions in Uganda. Biosafety and Health, 4(6), 399–405.
- Chappell, J. G., Tsoleridis, T., Onianwa, O., Drake, G., Ashpole, I., Dobbs, P., Edema, W., Kumi-Ansah, F., Bennett, M., Tarlinton, R. E., Ball, J. K., & McClure, C. P. (2020). Retrieval of the complete coding sequence of the UK-endemic Tatenale orthohantavirus reveals extensive strain variation and supports its classification as a novel species. Viruses, *12*(4), 454.