

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal information

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Educational background

2000 – 2005 Ph.D in Horticulture at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Kenya. Thesis title: **Modelling French beans *Phaseolus vulgaris* L. Growth as Influenced by Competition and Biotic Stress**
1997 - 1999 Master of Horticulture at the University of Western Sydney Hawkesbury, Australia.
1990 – 1994 B.Sc. in Horticulture of JKUAT, First Class Honours
1986 - 1989 Secondary Education (Mukumu Boys Secondary school); obtained a B+,
1977 - 1985 Primary Education (Kongoni Primary School); obtained 69 out of 72 Points

Work experience

2005-Todate: Lecturer, Department of Horticulture, JKUAT
2001- 2005: Tutorial Fellow, Department of Horticulture, JKUAT
1996-2000 Teaching Assistant, Department of Horticulture, JKUAT

Positions of Responsibilities

2001-Todate: Actively involved in the organisation of Workshops within the Department of Horticulture.
2004-Todate: Facilitator for AICAD course in Irrigation and Water Resources Management (I&WRM)
2004-Todate: Monitoring and Evaluation Officer for the AICAD I&WRM

Publications

- Wesonga J.M.;** P.W. Masinde; T. Losenge; K. Ngamau; S.G. Agong; V. Anjichi; A. Fricke; B. Hau. H. Stützel. (2005). Proceedings of the Fourth Workshop on Sustainable Production in the Tropics, 24th-27th November 2004; Department of Horticulture, Moi University.
- Wesonga, J.M.** (2004). Modelling French beans *Phaseolus vulgaris* L. Growth as Influenced by Competition and Biotic Stress. Ph.D thesis. Department of Horticulture, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Kenya.
- Wesonga J.M.** (2004). Integration of computer software for easy report writing in Research Management – Data Acquisition, Analysis and Dissemination, March 25th – 26th, 2004
- Wesonga, J.M.;** T. Losenge; C.K. Ndung'u; K. Ngamau; J.B.M. Njoroge; F.K. Ombwara; S.G. Agong; A. Fricke; B. Hau; H. Stutzel. (2002). Proceedings of the Second Horticulture Seminar on Sustainable Horticultural Production in the Tropics, 6th – 9th August 2002; Department of Horticulture, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology.
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- Wamocho L.S., Ombwara F.K., Makokha A.O., **Wesonga J.M.** and Sichangi P. (2002). Characteristics of French bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*) production: A case study of Kibirigwi Irrigation Scheme in Central province of Kenya In Wesonga *et al.* (ed) Proceedings of the Horticulture Seminar on Sustainable Horticultural Production in the Tropics, 3rd – 6th October 2001 JKUAT, Kenya.
- Makokha A.O., F.K. Ombwara, L.S. Wamocho, **J.M. Wesonga** and P. Sichangi (2002). Farming characteristics and constraints among small-scale French bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*) farmers in Mwea, Kenya. In Wesonga *et al.* (ed) Proceedings of the Horticulture Seminar on Sustainable Horticultural Production in the Tropics, 3rd – 6th October 2001 JKUAT, Kenya.
- Wesonga J.M.** (1999). Potential of Tea tree, *Melaleuca alternifolia* oils for control of diamond-back moth, *Plutella xylostella* L (Master of Horticulture). UWS, Australia.

Wesonga J.M., Spooner-Hart R, Beattie GAC & Markham J. (1999). Non-toxicity of petroleum spray oil to *Metarhizium anisopliae* FI-1248. Abstracts of the NSW Entomological Society Postgraduate Workshop. UWS Nepean, Australia 14th August 1999.

WORKSHOPS, SHORT TRAINING & CONFERENCES

- 2004:** Participated in a workshop on “**Sustainable Horticultural Production in the Tropics**” held 24th-27th Nov. 2004 at Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya.
- 2004:** Attended a Workshop organized by the Volkswagen Foundation on “**Resources, their dynamics and sustainability - capacity-development in Comparative and integrative approaches**” held Sept. 13th-17th 2004, at Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi
- 2004:** Participated in a workshop organized by DAAD on “**Research Management – Data Acquisition, Analysis and Dissemination**” held March 25th - 26th, 2004 at AICAD, Kenya.
- 2003:** Participated in the 47th meeting of the German Society of Agronomy held Sept. 25th-27th 2003 at Giessen, Germany
- 2000:** Attended the 4th International Crop Science Congress held Aug. 17th-22nd, 2000, at Hamburg, Germany.
- 2000:** Participated in the course of training in **Tissue Culture** by Dr. AS Kantharajah held April, 2000 at JKUAT, Kenya.
- 1999:** Attended a conference on “**Spray Oils Beyond 2000**” held Oct. 25th-29th 1999 at Manly Park Royal Hotel, Sydney, Australia.
- 1999:** Participated in the NSW Entomological Society’s Postgraduate Students’ workshop held Aug. 14th 1999 at the University of Western Sydney Nepean, Australia.
- 1996:** Attended a Training workshop on “**How to grow and Use Neem, *Azadirachta indica* (A. Juss)**” held Nov. 17th-27th 1996 at ICIPE’s Mbita Point Field Station, Kenya.

Hobbies

Gardening, Music, Reading, Computers/IT

References

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