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#### **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED**

**DATES** 

Odessa Lomonosov Technological Institute of Food Industry 01/10/91 – 21/10/94

(Renamed Odessa National Academy of Food Technologies) and

Odessa, Ukraine (CIS). Sept.1986 - June 1991

Astrakhan Fish Technology Institute, Russia, (CIS) 23/10/85 - 30/06/1986

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St. Michael's Secondary School, Nimo, Anambra State 06/9/79 -30/6/1984

#### **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OBTAINED & DATES**

Ph.D. Production Processes of Canned Foodstuffs	Octobe	· 1994
M.Sc. Degree in Food Technology	June	1991
Certificate in Education (Russian-English translation)	June	1991
G.C.E "O" Level Certificate	June	1984
Intermediate Certificate in Applied HACCP Principles (UK)	July	2004
Certificate in Sanitary/Phytosanitary and Risk Analysis (USA)	August	2010

#### **PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS:**

 Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria Ltd. Freeman House 21/22 Marina, P.M.B 2418 Lagos, Nigeria

**Period:** Nov. 1994 – Nov. 1996

**Position:** National Youth Service (NYSC) and Contract Staff. **Duties:** Menu planning, sanitary inspection of restaurants and Guest Houses, Customer satisfaction studies and other adhoc duties.

2. Federal Institute of Industrial Research, Oshodi,
Blind Centre Str. (By Cappa B/Stop), P.M.B 21023 Ikeja, Lagos, Nigeria
Period: 16-04-97 to 31-05-02; Position: Principal Research Officer
Duties: Food product research and development project i.e canning of assorted traditional dishes (fried yam & beans, fried plantain & beans, beans in stew, mushroom egusi soup, bitter leaf soup, mushroom in brine, baked beans etc.). Quality control of food and allied products by sensory analysis, Training of entrepreneurs on developed products, Presentation of seminars, writing of technical /periodic reports and publication of

National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC), Central Laboratory Complex, Oshodi,

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research findings in peer reviewed journals.

**Period:** 03-06-02 to 31-03-06 **Position:** Asst. Chief Regulatory Officer **Duties:** Registration of locally manufactured food products through vetting of labels, issuance of compliance directive to companies based on food regulations, sample reception, dispatch to the laboratory for analysis, vetting of GMP report, preparation of product briefs upon satisfactory laboratory report, product presentation at approval meetings, issuance of registration certificate, GMP inspection etc.

4. University of Nigeria, Enugu State, Nigeria

**Location**: Dept. of Food Science and Technology, Nsukka, Enugu State.

**Period**: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2006 to Sept. 2013 **Position**: Senior Lecturer

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**Duties**: Teaching of food technology/engineering courses as well as product development using assorted ingredients, supervision of undergraduate projects, MSc. and PhD researches, publication of research findings and adhoc duties.

5. University of Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria

Location: Dept. of Food Science and Technology, Annex, Uyo.

**Period**: 3rd January, 2015 to 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2016 **Position**: Visiting Scholar (Sabbatical Leave).

## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

#### THESIS:

- Okafor, G. I. (1991). Construction of a canning factory for processing of soy-beans and tropical fruits in Nigeria, 40 million cans/year. M.Sc. Dissertation, Odessa Lomonosov Technological Institute of Food Industry, Odessa, Ukraine.
- 2. **Okafor, G. I.** (1994). Development of a method for intensification of the process of crystallization of cream of tartar from grape juice using solid and liquid carbon dioxide. Ph.D Thesis, Odessa Lomonosov Technological

Institute of Food Industry, Odessa, Ukraine.

#### PATENTS:

- 3. Kvasenkov, O. I. (RU), **Okafor, G. I.** (Nig), Kasianov, G. I. (RU) and Flaumenbaum, B.L. (UA) (1993). Apparatus for stabilization of fruit juices and wines. Russian Patent No. RU 2000067 Bul. No 33-36, 07.09.93
- 4. Kvasenkov, O. I., Andronova, O. I., Flaumenbaum, B. L. and **Okafor, Ifeanyi Gabriel** (NG) (1994). Equipment for stabilizing wines and juice by cooling: Russian Patent No RU 2018527 CI Bul. No 16, 30.08.94.

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- 6. **Okafor, G. I.** and Okoli, C. O. (2011). Formulating medicinal plants into herbal teas: In Contemporary Issues in Ethnopharmacology, Okoli, C.O. ed. Research Signpost, Kerala, India. pp.1-8.
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- 8. **Okafor, G.I.** (2012). Ginger processing for export and local consumption: Innovations and products. In: Faculty of Agriculture Lecture Series . (2010-2012) and Research Output. Machebe, N.S. (ed.) Chenglo Ltd , Enugu, Nigeria. pp. 69-82.

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- 10. **Okafor, G. I.,** Ozumba, A. U., Solomon, H.M. and Olatunji, O. (2002). Contaminants and defects in Nigerian cowpeas. Tropical Science 42(4):171-173.
- 11. Olapade, A. A., **Okafor, G. I.,** Ozumba, A. U. and Olatunji, O. (2002) Characterization of common Nigerian cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata* (I.) Walp) varieties. Journal of Food Engineering, 55:101-105.
- 12. Onu, S. and **Okafor, G. I.** (2003). Effect of physical and chemical factor variation on the efficiency of mechanical slicing of Nigerian ginger. Journal of Food Engineering, 56:43-47.
- 13. Okafor, J. N. C., **Okafor, G. I.,** Ozumba, A. U., and Orji, C. U. (2006). Chemical composition and organoleptic properties of biscuit fortified with *Pleurotus Plumonarius* mushroom powder. Journal of Industrial Research and Technology, 1(1): 63-70.
- 14. **Okafor, G. I.** and Okafor, J. N. C. (2007). Effects of pricking, sun drying background and sieving on the colour of Nigerian yellow bark ginger and its powder. Nigerian Food Journal, 25(1):154-159.
- 15. Okafor, G. I., J. Rao L., Madhava N.M. and Showbagya H.B (2009). Effect

- of grading on yield and composition of essential oil of ginger. Nigerian Food Journal, 27(1): 11-17.
- 16. **Okafor, G. I.,** J. N. C. Okafor, and S. A. Odunfa (2009). Effect of blanching in 0.5% citric acid solution on rate of splitting, mass increase and other physico-chemical properties of cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata* Walp) seeds. Nigerian Food Journal, 27(1):108-115.
- 17. **Okafor, G. I.,** Okoli, C.O., Odo, A.S. and Kelechi, N.R. (2009). Studies on the Effect of Processing Methods on the Antihyperglycemic activity of Herbal Teas from Leaves of *Vernonia amygdalina* Del. Pharmacognosy Research, 1(5): 256-260.
- 18. **Okafor, G. I.,** Ravi R, Bhat K. K. and Okafor, J. N. C. (2010). Aroma Discrimination of Graded Fresh Ginger and their Powder by Electronic Nose. Nigerian Food Journal 28(1): 67-75.
- 19. Okafor, J.N.C., Lekavathi K., Bhagya S., Narasimha, H. V. and **G. I. Okafor** (2010). Production and evaluation of cookies with graded levels of Roasted cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata*) flour. World Journal of Biotechnology. 11(1):1650-1656.
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- 23. Okafor J. N. C., G. I. Okafor, H. Narashima, K. Leelavathi and S. Bhagya (2013). Production of roasted bambara groundnut (*Voandzeia subterranea*) bland flour and its application in fortification of biscuit and toasted cassava granule. Agricultural innovations for sustainable development: Contributions from the 2012/2013 African Women and Young Professionals in Science Competitions 3 (4): 138-145.
- 24. **Okafor, G. I.** and Usman, O. G. (2014). Production and evaluation of breakfast cereals from blends of African yam bean (*Sphenostylis stenocarpa*), maize (*Zea mays*) and defatted coconut (*Cocus nucifera*). Journal of Food Processing and Preservation. 38(3): 1037–1043.
- 25. **Okafor, G. I.** and Ugwu, F.C. (2014). Production and evaluation of cold extruded and baked ready-to-eat snacks from blends of breadfruit (*Treculia africana*), cashewnut (*Anacardium occidentale*) and coconut (*Cocos nucifera*). Food Science and Quality Management., 23:65-77.

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- 27. Eze, J. I., **Okafor, G. I.** and Okoyeuzu, C. F. (2014). Effects of blanching on mineral, vitamins and some physico-chemical contents of products from African star apple (*Chrysophyllum albidium*) peels and cotyledons. International Journal of Scientific and Engineering Research (IJSER) 5 (7):1288-1296.
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- **29.** Eze, J. I., **Okafor, G. I.** and Okoyeuzu, C. F. (2014). Effects of blanching and stabilization on the rheological evaluation of products from African star apple (*Chrysophyllum albidium*) peels and cotyledons. International Journal of Scientific and Engineering Research (IJSER) 5 (8):326-334.
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- **31.**J. N. C. Okafor, J. C. Ani and **G. I. Okafor** (2014). Effect of processing on Qualities of Bambara groundnut (*Voandezia subterranean* L. Thouars) flour and its acceptability in extruded snacks. American Journal of Food Technology, 9(7):350-359.
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- from wheat and millet-pigeon pea flour blends. Pak. J. Nutr. 14 581-585.
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- **45.Okafor, G. I.,** Ozumba, A.U., Solomon, H.M. and Olatunji, O. (2001). Sensory Qualities of Canned Egusi- Mushroom and Egusi Soups. Proceedings of the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at Lagos, Nigeria, 5th 9th November 197-199.
- **46. Okafor, G. I.,** Okafor J. N. C., Ozumba, A. U., and Solomon, H. M. (2004). Production of Canned Cowpeas and Plantain or Potato Products. In Proceedings of the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at University of Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria, 12th -14th October.
- **47.Okafor, G. I.,** Okafor J. N. C., Ozumba, A. U., and Solomon, H. M. (2003). Sensory Evaluation of Canned Cowpeas with Either Fish, Potato or Plantain in Tomato Sauce. In Proceedings of the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at Kano, Nigeria, 7th -11th November.
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- NIFST Conference at Kano, Nigeria, 7th -11th November.
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- **50.Okafor, G. I.** and Gowda L. (2006). Effect of grading, splitting and dehydration on the enzyme activity of ginger. Proceedings of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at Sheraton Hotel & Towers and ASCON, Lagos State, Nigeria, 23th -27th October.
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- 52. Okafor, G. I. and Ilechukwu S. O. (2007). Effect of Pricking on the rate of weight reduction of whole ginger rhizomes (Zingiber Officinale Roscoe) during solar drying. Proceeding of the International workshop on renewable energy for sustainable development in Africa (IWRESDA), at National Centre for Energy Research and Development, University of Nigeria Nsukka, Enugu State, Nigeria, 30<sup>th</sup> July 1<sup>st</sup> August.
- **53.** Okafor, G. I. and Orisakwe O. F. (2008). Effect of incorporation of banana flours as stabilizer in ice cream on their sensory attributes. Proceedings of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at Ladooke Akintola University of Technology Ogbomoso, Oyo State, Nigeria, 13th -17th Oct.
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- **55.Okafor, G. I.** and Onah, A. I. (2008). Effect of substitution levels of brewers spent grain on the proximate composition of digestive biscuit. Proceedings of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual NIFST Conference at Ladooke Akintola University of Technology Ogbomoso, Oyo State, Nigeria, 13th -17th Oct.
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- (*Vernonia amygdalina*) tea products. Proceedings of 33rd Annual Conference of Nigerian Institute of Food Science and Technology, Banquet Hall, Govt. House, Yola, Adamawa State, Nigeria, 12th -16th October.
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- **61.Okafor, G. I.** and Obi, S. C. (2010). Effect of substitution levels on the sensory profile of cabin biscuit from wheat flour and brewer's spent grain composite flour. Proceedings of the 34th Annual Conference of the Nigerian Institute of Food Science and Technology/AGM, Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria, 18<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> October.
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# PROFESSIONAL MAJOR EXHIBITION OF NEW WORKS New Products

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- **8.** R. A. Ofukwu, A. O. Adegboye, **G.I. Okafor** and A. A. Omoloye (2010). Qualitative risk assessment of the introduction of *salmonella enteritides* into the usa through export of smoked grasscutter (gc) meat from Nigeria. Paper Presented by the Nigerian Team at the SPS Training Workshop organised by the Tuskegee Univ./USDA at Accra, Ghana, 9<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug.
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#### POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION

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- 1. PG/MSc./ Development and performance evaluation of a ginger 06/40927 pricking machine.
- 2. PG/MSc./ Effect of treatments on the milling energy requirement of 08/49521 african birdseye pepper
- 3. PG/MSc./ Production and evaluation of extruded snacks from blends 08/49945 of pigeon pea, cassava cortex and wheat flour.
- 4. PG/PhD/0 Formulation of starter culture and bioenergy production 7/50997 from selected vegetable waste
- 5. PG/PGD/0 Modification and evaluation of the thermal efficiency of an 8/42602 indirect solar dryer, for fish drying.
- 6 PG/MSc./ Production and evaluation of fibre enriched breakfast

- 09/51377 cereals from hungry rice (*D. exilis*) African yambean (*S. stenorcapa*) and maize fibre (*Zea mays*) for diabetics
- 7 PG/MSc./ Rheological and chemical evaluation of products from 09/50802 african star apple (*Chrysophyllum Albidium*) (Udara)'s peels and seeds
- 8. PG/MSc./ Production of raisin analogue from ripe plantain (*Musa* 09/52210 *Paradisiaca*) and its utilisation in baked products
- 9. PG/MSc./ Effect of processing methods on the chemical composition 08/50886 and selected functional properties of cocoyam corm (*Colocasia esculenta*).
- 10. PG/Ph.D/ Thermo-physical properties and cooking performance 08/50346 evaluation of briquettes from rice (*Oryza sativa* L.) hull, groundnut (*Archis hypogeal*) shell and corn cob (*Zea mays*) blends.
- 11. PG/MSc./ Production and evaluation of breafast cereals from blends of 09/50997 African yam bean (*S. stenocarpa*), maize (*Zea mays*) and defatted coconut (*Cocos nucifera*)
- 12. PG/MSc./ Effects of preservation methods of oil palm (*Elaeis* 09/50715 *guineensis*) sap on selected reproductive indices of male Wistar rats
- 13. PG/MSc./ Extraction of oleoresin from ripe and unripe pepper fruit (*D.* 11/58339 *triptela*)
- 14. PG/PGD/1 Production and evaluation of nanosilver particles from 1/58299 *Vernonia amygdalina* leaf.
- 15. PG/MSc./ Development of nanocomposite drying slab for enhanced 10/57402 solar drying of vegetables
- 16. PG/MSc./ Production and evaluation of the nutraceutical potentials of 10/57658 Brilantasia lamium
- 17. PG/PGD/1 Extraction of flavourants from selected plant materials 1/58333
- 18 PG/MSc/1 Production and evaluation of nutraceuticals from *from* 0/57658 *Brillantasia lamium* Nees Bentham leaf
- PG/MSc/1 Production and evaluation of extruded snacks from blends of 2/63862 yellow maize, soybean, carrot and amaranth.
- 20 PG/MSc./ Production and evaluation of weaning food from blends of 12/62758 sorghum, pigeon pea isolate, pumpkin and *Moringa oleifera*
- 21 PG/Ph.D/ Production, quality evaluation and optimization of extruded 11/58338 breakfast cereals from of acha (*Digitaria exilis* stapf), plaintain (*Musa paradisiaca* I), defatted groundnut flour and moringa (*Moringa oleifera* I) leaf.
- PG/MSc./ Production of convenience food from blends of *Moringa* 12/62681 *oleifera* leaf, mushroom, coconut, soybeans and guinea corn.for people living with HIV.
- PG/PhD/1 Effect of harvesting age, processing methods and shelf 1/58333 stability of edible caterpillars (*Bun. alcinoe* and *Cirina forda*).

24 PG/M.Sc/ Production and evaluation of beer from broken rice and 15/ potatoes

## BSC RESEARCH PROJECTS SUPERVISED 2007

- 1. Study of cabin biscuit making potentials from brewer's spent grain (BSG)
- 2. Production of oleoresin extract from pepper fruit (Dennettia tripetala)
- 3. Utilization of brewers spent grain in digestive biscuit production
- 4. Consumer acceptance study of suya spice mix from pricked ginger rhizomes
- 5. Effect of ripening stages on the production and functional properties of banana (*Musa cavendishii*) flour, and their utilization as stabilizer in ice cream production.
- 6. Production and evaluation of oleoresin from pepper
- 7. Production and evaluation of bread from wheat and brewers spent grain (BSG) composite flour

#### 2008

- 8. Production and evaluation of tea analogue bitter leaf (*Vernonia amygdalina*)
- 9. Production of mixed fruit juices from blends of soursop, pineapple and oil palm sap
- 10. Production of extruded vitamin fortified cereal/snack from corn (*zea mays*) and African black pear (*Dacryodes edulis*)

#### 2009

- 11. Production of mixed fruit juices from blends of oranges, carrot and oil palm sap
- 12. Production and evaluation of extruded snacks using blends of breadfruit (*Treculia africana*), cashewnut (*Anacardium occidentale*) and coconut (*Cocos nucifera*)
- 13. Production and evaluation of extruded snacks from blends of tiger nut, Sorghum and Brewers spent grain

#### 2010

- 14. Production and evaluation of herbal tea from "utazi" (*Gongronema latifolium*) leaf
- 15. Evaluation of the efficiency of a manual ginger pricking machine
- 16. Production and evaluation of steamed gel from blends of bambara groundnut and banana.
- 17. Production and evaluation of coated cashew nut snacks
- 18. Production of mixed fruit juice from plantain, oranges and pineapple.

#### 2011

- 19. Production of instant breakfast cereals from blends of wheat (*Triticum aestivun*), sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor*), millet (*Pennisetum glaucum*) and groundnut cake (*Arachis hypogea*) flours
- 20. Production of extruded breakfast cereals from blends of wheat (*Triticum aestivun*), sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor*), millet (*Pennisetum glaucum*) and soy milk residue (*Okara*) flours

21. Production and evaluation of herbal teas (green and black) from *Moringa* oleifera leaf.

#### 2012

- 22. Production and evaluation of herbal teas (green and black) from Scent leaves.
- 23. Effect of processing methods on the physical and chemical properties of cashew nut.
- 24. Production and evaluation of extruded snacks from blends of wheat (*Triticum aestivun*), hungry rice and maize fibre.

#### 2013

- 25. Cassava starch modification using chemical method
- 26. Production and evaluation of beer from white yam (*D. rotundata*).
- 27. Production and evaluation of teas from curry leaf.

#### 2014

- 28. Production and quality evaluation of extruded snacks from blends tigernut and roasted breadfruit seeds.
- 29. Production of gruel from sweet potato

#### 2015

- 30. Production and evaluation of green and black teas from "Atama" leaf.
- 31. Production and evaluation of cold extruded and baked breakfast cereals from blends of sorghum, soyabean and crayfish.
- 32. Production and evaluation of jam from ripe "Ndiya" (Cola rostrata) fruits.
- 33. Production and evaluation of toasted breakfast cereals from blends of wheat, tigernut, date palm and coconut flakes.

#### 2016

- 34. Production and quality evaluation of instant noodles from wheat, cassa and african breadfruit (*Treculia africana*) flours.
- 35. Production and quality evaluation of biscuits from unripe plantain, africa breadfruit seeds and tigernut flour blends.
- 36. Production and quality evaluation of breakfast cereals from blends of wheat, African yam bean (S. stenorcapa) and Moringa oleifera leaf.
- 37. Production and quality evaluation of extruded snacks from cassava (*Manihot esculenta*), coconut (*Cocos nucifera*) and bambara groundnut (*Vigna subterranean*) flour blends.

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- 1. Federal Government **undergraduate Scholarship award** to USSR, from September 1985 to July 1991.
- 2. Federal Inst. of Ind. Research, **Certificate of Merit Award**, (3/2/2000).
- 3. Third World Academy of Science Postdoctoral Fellowship Award to

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