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# 1. QUALIFICATIONS:

- PhD. Pharmacology, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, 2020.
- Doctor of Pharmacy, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Ghana, 2018.
- Certificate course in Clinical and Translational oncology, University of Utrecht, Netherlands, 2015.
- MSc. Radiopharmacy & PET Radiochemistry, Kings' College, London, UK, 2006
- Diploma in Financial Management, Institute of commercial management, UK, 20007.
- Certificate in management of Drug Supplies, Commonwealth Pharmaceutical Association, 2004
- B. Pharm (Hons), Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Ghana, 2003.

## 2. TRAINING COURSES

- Postgraduate course in Radiopharmacy, UK. (10th- 14th January, 2005).
- Radioiodine Therapy for Benign & Malignant Thyroid Disease, UK (Oct. Nov. 2008).
- Refresher course on Breast Cancer Management, Kumasi. (Aug. 2009).
- Observer ship elective in Palliative care, Canada. (4th 22nd Jan.2010).
- Red Cell Mass Determination using <sup>51</sup>Cr-Labelled Red Blood Cells 9th 27th Aug. 2010).
- Glomerular Filtration Rate Determination using <sup>51</sup>Cr-EDTA (9th 27th Aug.2010).
- Advances in Medicine (20th 23th Sept.2010).

## 3. WORK EXPERIENCE

- Lecturer: 2020 to Date: Department of Pharmacy Practice, FPPS, KNUST.
- Part-time Lecturer: 2015 to 2020: Department of Pharmacy Practice, FPPS, KNUST.
- Senior Specialist Oncology Pharmacist: 2019 Sept.2020: Directorate of Oncology, KATH.
- Specialist Oncology Pharmacist: 2011 2019: Directorate of Oncology, KATH.
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### 4. SUPERVISION OF STUDENT PROJECT/RESEARCH

- Current supervisory role: 5 MPharm. and 2 PhD Students (University of KwaZulu-Natal).
- Supervised 3 MPharm. Student (University of KwaZulu-Natal)

# 5. Conferences/workshops Presentations.

- Mensah KB, Ballinger JR, Blower PJ. Development of a simplified preparation of pentavalent Tc-99m DMSA. Presented at British Nuclear Medicine Society conference, Manchester, March, 2007).
- ii. **Mensah KB**, Patel S, Blower PJ, Ballinger JR. Development and validation of a simplified preparation of pentavalent 99mTc-DMSA. Presented at UK Radiopharmacy Group Workshop, Bournville, 2008 Jan 18.
- iii. **Mensah KB**. An evaluation of current morphine prescribing practice at the oncology directorate. Presented at the World Cancer Congress, Montreal, Canada, August 2012.
- iv. **Mensah, K. B.**, Oosthuizen, F., & Bonsu, A. B. (2018). Attitude and Barriers of Community Pharmacists Towards Cancer Health Promotion: A Systematic Review. Asia Pacific Journal of Cancer Care, 3(1). Presented at the 2nd Global Summit on Oncology & Cancer. Singapore, March 12-14, 2018.
- v. **Mensah, K. B.,** Oosthuizen, F., & Bangalee, V. (2019). Assessing Knowledge of Community Pharmacists on Cancer: A Pilot Study in Ghana. Frontiers in public health, 7, 13. Presented at the 1st FIP Pharmacy Practice Research: Postgraduate students, Postdoctoral Fellows and Supervisors Symposium. Portugal, 25–27 June 2018.

## 6. Fellowship awards

Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), ICRET FELLOWSHIP AWARD, 2008, 2010.

### 7. PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- Member, Pharmaceutical Society of Ghana.
- Life Time Fellow of Union for International Cancer Control (UICC).
- Fellow, Ghana College of Pharmacy.
- Member, International Society of Oncology Pharmacy Practitioners
- Member, International Society of Paediatric Oncology (SIOP)

# 8. PUBLICATIONS IN PEER REVIEWED JOURNALS

- Kofi Boamah Mensah, Frasia Oosthuizen, Adwoa Bemah Bonsu. Cancer awareness among community pharmacist: a systematic review. BMC Cancer. 2018; 18: 299. doi: 10.1186/s12885-018-4195-y.
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- Kusi, G., Boamah Mensah, A. B., Boamah Mensah, K., Dzomeku, V. M., Apiribu, F., & Duodu, P. A. (2020). Caregiving motivations and experiences among family caregivers of patients living with advanced breast cancer in Ghana. PloS one, 15(3), e0229683.
- Grace Kusi, Adwoa Bemah Boamah Mensah, Kofi Boamah Mensah, Veronica Millicent Dzomeku, Felix Apiribu, Precious Adade Duodu, Bakinam Adamu, Pascal Agbadi & Kwadwo Osei Bonsu. The experiences of family caregivers living with breast cancer patients in low-and middle-income countries: a systematic review. Syst Rev 9, 165 (2020). https://doi.org/10.1186/s13643-020-01408-4.
- **Kofi Boamah Mensah**, Adwoa Bemah Boamah Mensah. Cancer control in Ghana: A narrative review in global context. Volume 6, Issue 8, August 2020, e04564, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2020.e04564.
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- Michael HU, Naidoo S, Mensah KB, Ramlall S, Oosthuizen F. The Impact of Antiretroviral Therapy on Neurocognitive Outcomes Among People Living with HIV in Low-and Middle-income Countries (LMICs): A Systematic Review. AIDS and Behaviour. 2020 Aug 26:1-32.
- Wiafe E, **Mensah KB**, Mensah AB, Bangalee V, Oosthuizen F. The awareness of women on prostate cancer: a mixed-methods systematic review protocol. Systematic reviews. 2020 Dec;9(1):1-6.
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- Sly Ngoni Mutyavaviri, Kofi Boamah Mensah, Amos Marume, Adwoa Bemah Boamah Mensah, Varsha Bangalee. 2020. Price, availability, and affordability of antineoplastic medicines in Harare Metropolitan Province's public and private institutions: Implications for access. Value in Health Regional Issues. Accepted. Value in Health Regional Issues 25 (c), 118-125.

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