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RESEARCH

Interests Molecular biology · virology · food biochemistry · food safety · Phylogeny
Areas Plant Science · Horticulture · Molecular Biology · Biochemistry · Cancer Research · Pharmacology

RESEARCH SUMMARY

20	196	7	7	2.63	33%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 20 publications listed below, 2009–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 12 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 4 of the 12 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

POSITIONS

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PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles 15

1. Albert Achirofi, Daniel Sakyi Agyirifo, Meshack Antwi-Adjei, Elvis Awuni, Francis Kwame Abrokwah (2026). Combined antibacterial effects of turmeric and cinnamon ethanolic extracts with ampicillin against resistant-microbial strains: in vitro and molecular docking approaches. *Discover Applied Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42452-026-08319-4>
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8. Francis Kwame Abrokwhah (2019). Effect of traditional fermentation process on the nutrient and anti-nutrient content of maize and African locust beans. *Journal of Food Science and Nutrition Research*. <https://fortunescholar.org/articles/effect-of-traditional-fermentation-process-on-the-nutrient-and-antinutrient-content-of-maize-and-african-locust-beans.html>
9. Sika Abrokwhah, Bernard Ekumah, Francis Kwame Abrokwhah (2019). Microbial assessment of plastic bottles reused for packaging food products in Ghana. *Food Control*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.foodcont.2019.106956>
10. Francis Kwame Abrokwhah (2019). Phytochemical Constituents and in-vitro Antioxidant Activity of Aqueous Extracts of Mushrooms (*Pleurotus ostreatus* & *Agaricus* sp). *Research Journal of Food and Nutrition*. <https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=7166258732307656000&hl=en&oi=scholar>
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14. FK Abrokwhah (2013). Studies on factors which predispose fermented cocoa (*Theobroma cacao*) beans to mycotoxin contamination. *Journal of Experimental Biology*. https://www.academia.edu/download/68267405/STUDIES_ON_FACTORS_WHICH_PREDISPOSE_FERM20210723-420-14u15oa.pdf
15. F K Abrokwhah, K A Asamoah, P K A Esubonteng (2009). Effects of the intake of natural cocoa powder on some biochemical and haematological indices in the rat. *PubMed*.

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3. Francis Abrokwhah (2016). Understanding the origin and spread of the complex of viral species responsible for cacao swollen shoot disease. *Penn State University*. <https://www.sidalc.net/search/Record/dig-cirad-fr-583157/Description>
4. Francis Abrokwhah (2015). Study on the origin of cacao swollen shoot virus and its dispersal on cacao trees in West Africa. *INRA*. <https://www.sidalc.net/search/Record/dig-cirad-fr-581596/Description>