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RESEARCH

Interests Mycology · Microbiology · Fermentation · Fungal Biotechnology · Environmental Microbiology
Areas Nutrition and Dietetics · Food Science · Biotechnology · Molecular Biology · Plant Science · Pollution

RESEARCH SUMMARY

24	773	14	15	4.50	29%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 24 publications listed below, 2008–2025. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 14 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 4 of the 14 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

MPhil	2019–2021
Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana	

PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles 24

1. Levi Yafetto (2025). Effect of solid-state fermentation on protein enhancement of pearl millet (*Pennisetum glaucum* (L.)) using *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *Lactobacillus bulgaricus* after *Ghana Journal of Science*. <https://openurl.ebsco.com/contentitem/gcd:193472946?sid=ebsco:plink:crawler-gcd&id=ebsco:gcd:193472946&crl=c&jrnl=00169544>
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5. Charles Abimbola Faseyi, Michael K. Miyittah, Levi Yafetto (2023). Assessment of environmental degradation in two coastal communities of Ghana using Driver Pressure State Impact Response (DPSIR) framework. *Journal of Environmental Management*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2023.118224>
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8. Levi Yafetto, George Tawia Odamtten, Michael Wiafe-Kwagyan (2023). Valorization of agro-industrial wastes into animal feed through microbial fermentation: A review of the global and Ghanaian case. *Heliyon*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2023.e14814>
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10. Levi Yafetto, Christiana Naa Atsreh Nsiah-Asamoah, Emmanuel Birikorang, George Tawia Odamtten (2022). Biotechnological Application of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *Lactobacillus delbrueckii* sp. *bulgaricus* for Protein Enrichment of Fermented Unmalted and Malted Sorghum (*Sorghum bicolor* (L.) Moench). *International Journal of Food Science*. <https://doi.org/10.1155/2022/2264993>
11. C.A. Faseyi, M.K. Miyittah, L. Yafetto, A.A. Sowunmi, G. Lutterodt (2022). Pollution fingerprinting of two southwestern estuaries in Ghana. *Heliyon*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2022.e10337>
12. C.A. Faseyi, M.K. Miyittah, A.A. Sowunmi, L. Yafetto (2022). Water quality and health risk assessments of illegal gold mining-impacted estuaries in Ghana. *Marine Pollution Bulletin*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.marpolbul.2022.114277>
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14. Levi Yafetto, Emelia Hornam Adator, Abena Ahema Ebuako, Ephraim Ekloh, Francis Yao Afeti (2019). Microbial Quality of Raw Beef and Chevron From Selected Markets in Cape Coast, Ghana. *Journal of Biology and Life Science*. <https://doi.org/10.5296/jbls.v10i1.14022>
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16. Adinortey Cynthia Ayefoumi, Amewowor Damian H.A, Galyuon Isaac K.A., Otwe Emmanuel Plas, Asante Daniel K.A, Yafetto Levi, Adinortey Michael Buenor (2019). Molecular Characterization of Antibiotic Resistance Genes in *Escherichia coli* from Clinical and Environmental Samples in Ghana. *Asian Journal of Biological Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.3923/ajbs.2019.356.363>
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21. L Yafetto (2017). Ethnomycological survey of cape coast metropolis, Ghana. *Current Research in Environmental and Applied Mycology*. https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Levi_Yafetto/publication/321704087_Ethnomycological_survey_of_Cape_Coast_Metropolis_Ghana/links/6421cb8592cfd54f84332944/Ethnomycological-survey-of-Cape-Coast-Metropolis-Ghana.pdf
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23. Levi Yafetto (2009). Biomechanics of invasive growth by *Armillaria* rhizomorphs. *Fungal Genetics and Biology*. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1087184509000917>
24. Levi Yafetto (2008). The fastest flights in nature: high-speed spore discharge mechanisms among fungi.

