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### **EDUCATION**

- a. Ph.D., Audiology, University of Ibadan, Nigeria (1998)  
Area of Specialization: Noise & Auditory Conservation
- b. M.Sc., Audiological Science, Faculty of Medicine of The Victoria University of Manchester, UK (1994)  
Area of Specialization: Simulated Hearing Loss & Paediatric Audiology
- c. M.Ed., Guidance & Counseling, University of Ibadan, Nigeria (1986)  
Area of Specialization : Clinical Psychology
- d. B.Ed.(Hons), Special Education, University of Ibadan, Nigeria (1983)  
Area of Specialization: Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

- a. Association of Commonwealth Universities Scholar  
Victoria University of Manchester, UK
- b. Federal Government of Nigeria Bursary Recipient

## PROFESSIONAL LICENSE & REGISTRATION DATES

1. Health Professions Council of South Africa (Audiologist)  
Reg.No.AU 0000256 2003
2. Board Registration in Audiology – Reg. No. 0006  
Nigerian Medical Rehabilitation Board 1993
3. Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC-A) in  
Audiology, Reg. No. 0009 (Nigerian Speech and  
Hearing Association) 1990

## PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEW ACADEMIC JOURNALS

Owolawi Victor Ifeoluwa and **Wahab Oyedele Owolawi**. DANGERS OF NOISE IN OUR SOCIETY.

*International Journal of Speech and Audiology*. 2022; (3) 1: 11-13.

**Wahab O. Owolawi** & Vincent A. Adekoya. NICOTINE-INDUCED HEARING LOSS AMONG YOUNG SAUDI MALE STUDENTS.

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O Ekekwe & **W O Owolawi**. NOISE-INDUCED HEARING LOSS AMONG NIGERIA PRINTING INDUSTRIAL WORKERS-

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**W O.Owolawi**. AUDIOLOGICAL EVALUATION OF CEREBRAL PALSY CHILDREN-

*Saudi Journal of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery*, Vol.9 No.1, January 2007. pp.1-6

Eleanor Ross & **W O.Owolawi**. THE EXPERIENCE OF APPLYING ACADEMIC SERVICE LEARNING WITHIN THE DISCIPLINE OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY AT A SOUTH AFRICAN UNIVERSITY

*African Journal for the Psychological Study of Social Issues*. Vol 9 Nos. 1&2, April & Sept, 2006. pp. 96-106

**W O.Owolawi.** SIMULATED HEARING LOSS (SHL), DETECTION TESTS REVIEW AND FORENSIC IMPLICATION  
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**W O.Owolawi.** AUDIOMETRIC PATTERN IN NOISE EXPOSED NIGERIAN AVIATION WORKERS  
*The Nigerian Journal of Medical Rehabilitation. Vol.9, No.1&2. June-December, 2004. pp.13-15*

**W O.Owolawi & Jonah Eleweke.** THE ROLE OF COMMUNICATION SCIENTISTS (AUDIOLOGISTS) IN EFFECTIVE HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM  
*Journal of Special Education. Vol.9. No 1. Jan,2001. pp.188-201*

**Jonah Eleweke & W.O.Owolawi.** BENEFITS OF EARLY IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVENTION FOR HEARING LOSS IN CHILDREN-The rationale for nationwide hearing screening programmes:  
*The Exceptional Child-Journal of National Council of Exceptional Children. Vol. 4. July, 2000. pp. 63-69*

**W O.Owolawi & O O.Williams.**A SURVEY OF AUDIOMETRIC PATTERN IN A NIGERIAN TEACHING HOSPITAL.  
*Journal of Nigeria Medical Rehabilitation Therapist. Vol.4. No.8, December, 1999. pp.18-20*

**B O.Olusanya, G T A.Ijaduola, A Okolo, W O.Owolawi & O Adeosun.** BEFORE DEAFNESS  
*Journal of Nigerian Association of Specialists in Management of Hearing Impairment. Vol. 1, No.2. July, 1999. pp 1-6*

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*Journal of Nigerian Association of Specialists in management of Hearing Impairment. Vol. 1 No 2.July, 1999. pp.26-35*

**W O.Owolawi.** AUDIOLOGY-IT'S DEVELOPMENT, CURRENT STATUS AND PROSPECT IN SELECTED COUNTRIES  
*Nigeria Annals of the Deaf Journal. Vol 1. No 1, 1998, pp.76-89*

**W O.Owolawi.** AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES IN NIGERIA:-A FOCUS ON CAUSES, MANAGEMENT, PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS IN HEARING IMPAIRMENT  
*The Exceptional Child-Journal of the National Council for Exceptional Children. Vol.2 No 1. 1998. pp.91-94*

**W O.Owolawi & Frances Hickson.** EFFECT OF TEST SOPHISTICATION IN SIMULATED HEARING LOSS

*Nigeria Journal of Speech and Hearing. Vol.1. No.2. June, 1998. pp.11-13*

**W O.Owolawi.** NOISE INDUCED HEARING LOSS

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**W O.Owolawi.** DIMENSIONS OF EFFECTS OF NOISE ON HUMAN HEALTH

*Journal of Special Education. Vol.8. No 2, June, 1998. pp.108-113*

**W O.Owolawi.** SELF-CONCEPT AND PERIOD OF ONSET OF HEARING IMPAIRMENT IN YOUNG NIGERIAN ADOLESENTS

*The Exceptional Child-Journal of the National Council for Exceptional Child. Vol 2. December, 1998. pp.21-23*

**W O.Owolawi & Loretta Ogban.** MENSTRUAL CYCLES AND PURE TONE AUDIOMETRIC THRESHOLDS IN YOUNG FEMALES

*Journal of the Nigeria Medical Rehabilitation Therapists. Vol.2 .No 4. December, 1997. pp. 24-26*

**W O.Owolawi.** PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT OF HEARING IMPAIRMENT IN YOUNG NIGERIAN ADOLESENTS

*Journal of the Nigerian Medical Rehabilitation Therapist. Vol. 1. No 2. December, 1996. pp. 25-27*

**W O.Owolawi.** THRESHOLD HEARING LOSS IN NIGERIA COMMERCIAL MOTOR-CYCLIST

*Journal of the Nigerian Medical Rehabilitation Therapists. Vol. 1, No 1. June, 1996. pp. 25-27*

**W O.Owolawi & O O.Williams** EARLY AUDIOLOGICAL IDENTIFICATION, MANAGEMENT AND PREVENTIVE MEASURES IN THE COMMUNITY .

*Nigeria Journal of Speech and Hearing Rehabilitation. Vol. 1.No 1.March, 1996. pp. 24-28*

**W O.Owolawi & O O.Williams** A STUDY OF NOISE EFFECT ON SPEECH RECEPTION ABILITY OF NIGERIA AUTOMOBILE ASSEMBLY WORKERS USING SIMPLE AUDIOMETRIC PURE TONE AVERAGE

*Nigeria Journal of Speech and Hearing Rehabilitation. Vol. 1. No 1. March, 1996. pp.13-16*

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*Nigeria Journal of Speech and Hearing Rehabilitation. Vol.1, No 1, March, 1996. pp 6-12*

**W O.Owolawi & O O Williams.** A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF VOCATIONAL INTEREST AND MOTIVATIONAL FACTORS IN DEAF AND HEARING ADOLESCENTS  
*Nigeria Journal of Speech and Hearing Rehabilitation. Vol. 1 . No 1. March, 1996. pp.1-5*

**Work submitted for publication:**

\*Tahani F. AlOthman, \***Wahab Owolawi**, \*\*Ruth Brooke\*\* Nicholas Thyer  
CERVICAL VESTIBULAR EVOKED POTENTIALS (cVEMP): Determination of an optimal biofeedback method and data analysis technique in cVEMP testing using head rotation-sitting procedure

\* King Saud University, Saudi Arabia

\*\* University of Leeds, UK.

*Journal of Vestibular Research*

**Research Work in Progress:**

Ameyaw, G A. & **Wahab O. Owolawi.** Pre, peri and post-natal risk factors of communication disorders among infants in the mega city of Lagos, Nigeria: A review of clinical data

Ameyaw, G A & **Wahab O. Owolawi.** Audiologic profile of children with hyperbilirubinaemia in Lagos

Ameyaw, G A & **Wahab O. Owolawi.** Auditory brain-stem signatures of children with autistic spectrum disorder

**ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS IN WORKSHOPS, SYMPOSIA &  
CONFERENCES  
2007 to Date**

1. Pure Souls Learning Foundation in Collaboration with Patrick Speech and Language Centre. Training of Teachers/Care Givers. 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. Lagos-Nigeria.

***Paper Presented:*** Online

The Importance of Hearing in Speech Development

2. Pan African Federation of Otorhinolaryngology Society (PAFOS) Conference. 13-15<sup>th</sup> November, 2017, Abuja, Nigeria

***Papers Presented:***

- a. Audiology Training Programme in Nigeria
- b. Paediatric Audiologic Rehabilitation (Co-author)

3. Saudi International Conference on Hearing & Speech, Riyadh-Saudi Arabia. 1-3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2015.

4. Maiden Conference of Nigerian Audiology Association, Lagos-Nigeria. 31 July-1<sup>st</sup> August, 2015.

***Papers Presented:***

- a. Audiology Training in Nigeria-First Thing First!
- b. Audiological Counseling in Clinical Practice
- c. Audiometric finding in Nicotine-Induced Hearing Loss Among Saudi University Male Students

5. 3<sup>rd</sup> International Audiology & Neuro-otology Conference, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia 1-5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015

5. 3<sup>rd</sup> International Communication Disorders, Audiology and Neuro-Otology Conference, (iCAN) Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. 1- 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2015

***Paper Presenter:*** Tahani AlOthman presented on behalf of authors

Selecting the optimal methodology to control sternocleidomastoid (SCM) muscle contraction variability in cVEMP testing

- Tahani AlOthman, **Wahab Owolawi**, \* Nick Thyer & Ruth Brooke
- King Saud University \*University of Leeds, UK

6. Rehabilitation Sciences, College of Applied Medical Sciences Seminar, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. 28/10/2015

**Paper Presenter:** *Tahani AlOthman presented on behalf of authors*

The Effect of Sound on Balance Function.

- Tahani AlOthman, **Wahab Owolawi** (King Saud University)
- \* Nick Thyer & Ruth Brooke (University of Leeds, United Kingdom)

7. 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Coalition for Global Hearing Health. St, Catherine's College, University of Oxford, United Kingdom. July, 25-26<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Poster Presentation:**

Early detection, Early intervention-A Case of Audiology Training Program in Nigeria

8. 2<sup>nd</sup> International Communication Disorders, Audiology and Neuro-Otology Conference, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. December, 1-4<sup>th</sup>, 2013
9. 1<sup>st</sup> Conference of Applied Medical Sciences Colleges, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. March, 11, 2012
10. 1<sup>st</sup> Saudi International Audiology Conference, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. November, 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011
11. Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery International Convention, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. 9-11 November, 2009
12. Research Chair for Hearing Disability Paediatric Audiology Update Seminar, King Abdul-Aziz University Hospital, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, October, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009
13. College of Applied Medical Sciences Research Day Conference, King Saud University. July, 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Paper Presented:**

Noise Induced Hearing Loss Among Nigerian Textile Industrial Workers

14. ENT National Conference. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun-State, Nigeria. November, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

**Paper Presented: Presented on behalf of author Wahab Owolawi by Mathew Jijo**

Early Identification of Hearing Loss in Children-Rationale for National Hearing Screening Programme

## **CORE RESEARCH INTEREST AREAS:**

1. Noise-Induced Hearing Loss & Hearing Conservation
2. Age-Induced Hearing Loss
3. Diet and Hearing Health
4. Transcendental Meditation, Tinnitus and Hearing Health.

## **EXPERIENCE AND WORK HISTORY**

1. Lagos University Teaching Hospital. 1987 – 1996 ( Senior Audiologist)
2. (Visiting Consultant in Speech Pathology & Audiology) Eko Hospitals PLC., Lagos, Nigeria. 1995 – 1998.(*Private Hospital*).
3. (Executive Director/Clinical Consultant in Audiology) Phonics Hearing Centre, Ikoyi-Lagos, Nigeria. 1996-1998 ( *A private audiological centre*)
4. University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. 1998-1999. Faculty Member and Consultant University Speech & Hearing Clinic, Dept.of Special Education
5. King Saud University, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Aug. 1999- Aug. 2001. Faculty Member in Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology, Rehabilitation Sciences Dept, College of Applied Medical Sciences. (Assistant Professor)
6. Audiological Consultant (Part Time )- King Abdul-Aziz University Teaching Hospital, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. March 2000-June 2001
7. University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, Republic of South Africa. August. 2001-January. 2003. Faculty Member in Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology (Senior Lecturer/Consultant Audiologist)
8. Member: University Humanities Research Ethics Committee, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. 2002-2003
9. External Examiner & Visiting Professor in Clinical Audiology to *Medical University of South Africa (Medunsa)-Now University of Limpopo-Medunsa Campus*. June. 2002 – May 2003
10. King Saud University, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. June 2003 to January, 2008. Faculty Member in Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology:Rehabilitation Sciences Dept., College of Applied Medical Sciences (Assistant Professor)

11. “ Ditto “ January, 2008 – September, 2020 (University Professor/Consultant Audiologist)
12. Professor & HOD, Audiology and Speech-Language Therapy, Faculty of Medical Rehabilitation, University of Medical Sciences, Ondo City, Ondo-State, 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 till date.
13. King Faisal Specialist Hospital & Research Centre. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. April, 2011 to June, 2015 (Visiting Consultant/Co-Researcher)
14. External Examiner & Visiting Professor, Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology/E.N.T Department, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Kumasi-Ghana (2013 till date)
15. Ph.D Internal Supervisor (Audiology)-External Joint Supervision Program of King Saud University & University of Leeds, United Kingdom. (2010 to 2018)
16. Audiology Curriculum Committee Chair on behalf of National Universities Commission (NUC) & Curriculum Development Committee member of Allied Health Sciences on behalf of NUC. (July-November, 2021)
17. Member, Radiography and Radiological Sciences programme accreditation committee to Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Medical School, Nnewi (14-16<sup>th</sup> December, 2021)
18. CEO/Consultant Audiologist, Decibel Hearing Consultants, No. 4, Salvation Road, off Opebi Road, Opebi-Ikeja-Lagos (2017 till date)

### **HONOURS/RESPONSIBILITY**

1. Academic keys Who's Who In Medicine Higher Education International Honours List (Academickeys.com) 2007
2. Member, Saudi Council for Health Specialties. Scientific Board for Applied Medical Sciences (2009)

### **ACADEMIC/ JOURNAL EDITORIAL DUTIES 2000-to Date**

1. Editorial Consultant (Audiology):- South African Journal of Communication Disorders (2002)

2. Editorial Adviser-Otolaryngologyinafrica.net (2007 till date)
3. Former Chairman, International Editorial Consultants, Journal of the Nigeria Medical Rehabilitation Therapists. (2011)
4. Editorial board member-Clinical Medicine Journal (2021)
5. Editorial board member, International Journal of Otorhinolaryngology, Head & Neck Surgery (IJOHNS) (2022)
6. **Peer-Reviewer** - Sage Open (2017)  
  
**Paper Reviewed:** Deaf in Nigeria: A first preliminary survey of isolated deaf communities
7. Consulting Editor – International Journal of Clinical Research and Trial (Open Access) 2018
8. **Peer-Reviewer:** Journal of Hearing Science (2019)  
  
**Paper Reviewed:** Asymmetric Hearing Loss and Mega Cisterna Magna: A Case Study.
9. **Peer-Reviewer:** Saudi Journal of Medicine and Medical Sciences (2020)  
  
**Paper Reviewed:** Frequency Responses of Conventional and Amplified Stethoscopes for Measuring Heart Sounds
10. **Peer-Reviewer:** Saudi Journal for Health Sciences (2020)  
  
**Paper Reviewed:** Verification and Validation of Hearing Aids Fitting in Saudi Arabia: Make a Real Difference to Patient Outcomes
11. **Peer Reviewer:** International Journal of Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery (IJOHNS) (2022).  
  
**Paper Reviewed:** Do musical emotion perception and language development affected in children using cochlear implants? The invisible part of the iceberg:music

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Member and Former Secretary - Nigerian Speech & Hearing Association.
- Associate Member - Oto-Rhino-Laryngological Society of Nigeria
- Trustee Member/Vice-President - Nigerian Audiology Association
- Member - Saudi Society of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology
- Ditto- - Hearing International
- “ - Global Hearing Health Care.
- “ - International Society of Audiology
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### **EXTRA CURRICULA ACTIVITIES**

1. Reading
2. Writing
  - a. Affirmations for Successful Living, Trafford Publishing. Canada (A Co-author)
  - b. A Dialogue in the City of Niyod. Lulu Publishing. USA
  - c. A Dialogue in the City of Niyod (A book on self-enlightenment). Lulu Publishing. USA
  - d. Dialogue with the SELF (Unlocking the door to your true self). Xlibris Publishing. Australia
  - e. Dialogue with the self: Unlocking the door to your true self. Book Venture Publishing, USA. (Revised and expanded edition)
3. Lawn Tennis
4. Community Service
5. Radio/ Television Interviews:
  - a. “Staying healthy behind the wheels: Ear care perspective” Lagos Traffic Radio, January 25, 2021.
  - b. Hearing Loss. Lagos Traffic Radio. June 13, 2021
  - c. Hearing Loss: MITV station, Lagos, September, 2019.
  - d. Noiseless Lagos (sponsored by Lagos State Environmental Protection Agency) Free Hearing Screening Exercise at Ojota Motor Park/ Electronic and Print Media Interview-Arise, MITV, TVC, LTV, Punch Newspaper, The Nation Newspaper etc. May 10, 2021.

### **REFEREES:**

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