



Report of My Experience as an AGMCP Mentee

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Introduction

- I am grateful to the board, organizer, and team of this vision, which has fostered and respected mentoring in the growth and development of forthcoming student and researcher
- I am speechless other than to express my gratitude to the AGMCP programme for providing me with Dr. Ebenezer Idowu Ajayi, as his mentee, it has been an exciting adventure thus far. We have accomplished a lot together in this first year, and I am confident that our connection will continue after the programme.
- Dr Olawale Olayide's altruistic efforts to assure the program's mentee's progress through a variety of seminars, workshops, and conferences that I had the opportunity to attend over the course of this one year, I would like to express my sincere thanks to him.

My Experience

How The Journey Started.

- As soon as we were accepted as mentees in the AGMCP programme, our first duty was to get in touch with our mentors. Unfortunately, due to the difference in time zones, my mentor was not in the country at that precise moment. He was instead in Argentina
- One may also learn from him that he is more concerned in our individual projects and how to help us acquire what we need to get results on time than what he believes we ought to accomplish together. He has also served as an inspiration, to put it simply.
- The act of selflessness to stay up late to talk to us his mentee and make plans for the upcoming year was what stood out to me at that unusual moment. As a result, we meet with him to discuss our progress once a week.



Let's Journey Ahead.

- My first direct experience with the AGMCP programme was at the 3rd Circularity Conference in Ibadan, where we participated in tree planting, provided farm in a box experiences for the Abadina secondary school.



Photo speaks: Trip to IITA during the 3rd Circularity Conference

- We had Taichi and Qigong session provided by Dr. Ajayi's Ebelola Bioenergetic Solutions Ltd, games and so much more, all was so educative.

- These events gave me a better understanding of the use of waste as biofuel, which has the potential to create significant wealth and reduce pollution in our nation while also promoting the use of robotics in the twenty-fourth century as well as a picnic.



The Initial Encounter

- My mentor and I first met in person at a circularity conference. After exchanging many ideas and beginning a mini-project to write a chapter for a book on topics like "Algae as a Source for wound healing" and other manuscript writing, he visited my research lab at the Department of Pharmacognosy, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Ibadan, that same day.



Photo speaks: To right Olabimpe MSc mentee, Dr AJayi (Mentor), Abraham PhD Mentee. Department of Pharmcognosy Laboratory environs.

- To track the development of my study. What a remarkable man Dr. Eben AJayi is, he offers some helpful advice and contacts to get in touch with that might help further works.

Second Physical Encounter.



- A trip to Osogbo to the Osun State University to attend a robotics conference and participate in a research project team for Dr. AJayi, on diabetes-related research in the Department of Biochemistry, where he is now serving as acting head of department.
- While I was at Osun State University, I had a great time learning from Dr. Ajayi and his research team and enjoying their warmth and hospitality.

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Photo speaks A trip to Osogbo to the Osun State University

Some Achievements

1. Attend some online conferences recommended by my mentor
2. Conferences and several Webinar by the AGMCP program.
3. Few Manuscript under review written alongside my mentor
4. Two Chapters in a book Manuscript, of which one is accept for publication. Coming out this month as Chapter 11 of "Next-Generation Algae: Volume II: Applications in Medicine and the Pharmaceutical Industry".



Conclusion

The AGMCP mentoring programme has been a remarkable experience; it has aided both my academic and physical goals, and it has satisfied most, if not all, of my motivations for joining the programme.

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