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#### **EDUCATION**

1993 Ph.D., University of Alberta, Edmonton Canada. Field of Study: Pharmacology.

**Thesis**: Thyroid status and the modulation of myocardial contractility by dietary fatty acids.

1989 M.Sc., Pharmacology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

**Thesis**: Pyrimidine nucleoside transport in isolated rat hepatocytes.

1981 M.Sc., Biochemistry, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana.

Thesis: The effects of Desmodium adscendens, an anti-asthmatic plant, on anaphylaxis.

1977 B.Sc. (Honours), Biochemistry (Chemistry minor), University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana.

#### **RESEARCH INTEREST**

Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing Receptor Signaling Mechanisms in Salt-sensitive Hypertension and Diabetes.

#### **POSITIONS**

2014 -	Associate Professor (with Tenure), Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology
	Research Institute & Department of Biological and Biomedical Sciences, North Carolina
	Central University, Durham, NC.
2014 -	Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, Wake
	Forest University School of medicine, Winston-Salem, NC.
2010 - 2014	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, Wake Forest
	University School of medicine, Winston-Salem, NC.
2009 - 2014	Affiliate Member, Hypertension and Vascular Research Center, Wake Forest University
	School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC.
2007 - 2014	Assistant Professor, Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute &
	Dept. of Biology, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC.
2000 - 2007	Research Scientist, Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research
	Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC.
1999 - 2000	Research Fellow, Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA.
1997 - 1999	Research Associate. Medical College of Pennsylvania-Hahnemann University,
	Philadelphia, PA.
1994 - 1997	Postdoctoral Fellow, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC.
1989 - 1990	Biochemistry Technologist II, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
1982 - 1985	Senior Science Teacher, Anglican Grammar School, Ogun State, Nigeria

1977 - 1978	Senior Chemistry Teacher, Kadjebi Secondary School, Ghana.		
<b>AWARDS</b>			
2000 - 2003	Minority Research Supplement Award, National Heart Lung & Blood Institute (NHLBI). Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC.		
1999 - 2000	National Research Service Award, Thomas Jefferson Univ., Philadelphia, PA.		
1985 - 1989	Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.		
1990 - 1993	Graduate Research Fellowship, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.		
SERVICE			
2016	Reviewer, American Journal of Physiology		
	Reviewer, American Journal of Physiology Heart and Circulatory Physiology.		
2014	Member, Search Committee for Director of the Biomedical/Biotechnology Research		
2011	Institute.		
2014-	Member, Hypertension and Microcirculation Study Section, NIH Center for Scientific		
2011	Review.		
2011 -	Review Editor, Frontiers in Physiology.		
2011	NIH/CSR Hypertension and Microcirculation (HM) Study Section.		
2010	Reviewer, British Journal of Pharmacology;		
2010	Reviewer, American Journal of Physiology		
2011 2014	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
2011 - 2014	Ad Hoc Member, Hypertension and Microcirculation Study Section, NIH Center for		
	Scientific Review		
SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS			

2006 -

American Physiological Society.

American Heart Association- Council for High Blood Pressure Research.

American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.

2005 -

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE 2015- BIOL8800 (A

2015-	BIOL8800 (Advanced Physiology; Cardiovascular Section)
2009 -	BIOL 1300 (Molecules & Cell Function), BIOL 4400 (Introduction to Research),
2007 -	BIOG 5800 (Research in Biology), BIOG 5810 (Graduate Project), BIOG 5900 (Thesis).
2004 -	BIOG 5820 (Research Rotations)
2001 - 2010	Instructor, BIOG 5401 (Physiology & Pharmacology; Endocrine Section).
2004 - 2005	Participated in the teaching of BIOL 4610 (Undergraduate Course).
2000	Participated in the teaching of BIOL 3100 (Undergraduate course).
1979 - 1981	Teaching Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry, University of Ghana.

# **STUDENT SUPERVISION**

Graduate	
2017	Acacia White, M.S. Biological and Biomedical Sciences Laboratory Rotation.
2016	Lynet Akajo, M.S. Biological and Biomedical Sciences Laboratory Rotation.
2015	Bobby Ragin, PhD Student Laboratory Rotation.
2011 - 2012	Lydia Ayanwale, M.S. Biology Student (Graduated in December, 2012).
2011 - 2012	Samora Rugumamu, M.S. Biology Student (Withdrew from program).
2011	Krisstonia Spruiell, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation.
	Jasmin Davis, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation.
	Sheena Nichols, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation.

2010 2007 2006 - 2009 2005 2004 2004 - 2007 Undergradua	Linda Okeiyi, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation. Samora Rugumamu, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation. Stacy Nichols, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation. Shailendra Devkota, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation. Christine Buchanan, M.S. Biology Student (Graduated December, 2009). Susan Hilderbrant, M.S. Biology Laboratory Rotation. Camilla Mills, M.S. Biology laboratory Rotation. John Sesay, M.S. Biology Student (Graduated May, 2007).
2015	James Yarborough, Health Education Student, North Carolina Central University.
2014	Dorothy Freeman, Biology Student, North Carolina Central University.
2013-2014	Morgan Poole; Non-STEM Student, North Carolina Central University.
2011	Deborah Aysheshim, Biology Student, North Carolina Central University; BBRI Summer Research Student.
2010 - 2013	Nicole Villanueva, Biology Student, North Carolina Central University. BBRI Research Student.
2007 - 2008	Marquita Drayton, Biology Student, North Carolina Central University.
2007	Brooke Hudson, Chemistry Student, North Carolina Central University; BBRI Summer Research Student.
2006	Amanda Amoateng, Xavier Univ, New Orleans, LA.
	BBRI Summer Research Student.
2003 - 2006	Chuks Oputa, Chemistry Student in the BBRI NASA Research Program.
2004 - 2005	Queenate Ibeto, Biology Student in the BBRI NASA Research Program.
2004 - 2005	David Adamolekun, Biology Student in the BBRI NASA Research Program.  Present position: DO from West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (May 2010).
2003 - 2004	Nene Ugoeke, Biology Student in the BBRI NASA Research Program.
2002 2002	Present position: MD from UNC-Chapel Hill Medical School (May 2011).
2002 - 2003	Agustina Adamolekun, Undergraduate Biology Student in the Schering-Plough Research Program at JLC/BBRI, NC Central University, Durham, NC. Graduated with a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from Florida A&M University (2007). Present position: Pharmacist, Wallgreens, Dallas, Texas.
2000 - 2001	Shariff Dunlap, Undergraduate MARC student Research Student in the Cardiovascular Disease Research Program, NC Central University, Durham, NC. Graduated with MS in Biomedical Science from John Hopkins University School of Medicine and MD from Moorehouse School of Medicine.
High School	
2014	Brooke Summers, Vineet Galiba; Alternate Catalyst Award Winners for Outstanding Research, Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics (SVSM).
2013	Griffin Haas, Hemal Patel; Catalyst Award Winners for Outstanding Research, SVSM.
2009	Eric Whitmire; SVSM.
2008	Hope Wolf; SVSM.
	Whitney Wilkins, BBRI Summer Research.
2006	Chris Carr, SVS.
2004	Tracy Ross, Neha Patel; SVSM.
2002	Audrey Reynolds, SVSM.
2001	Jessica Badger, Varsha Gadani, SVSM.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Addy ME, Awumey EMK. Effects of Desmodium adscendens on anaphylaxis. J Ethnopharmacol, 11: 283-29, 1984. [PMID: 6482479]
- 2. **Awumey EMK**, Somayaji VV, Wiebe LI, Tyrrell DLJ, Paterson ARP. Synthesis, hepatocyte uptake and in vivo biodistribution of lactosyl-9-β-D-arabinofuranosyl adenine (lactosyl-araA), a proposed pro-drug for targeting the delivery of araA to liver. *Pharmaceut. Res. Comm.*, **4**: 59-67, 1993.
- 3. **Awumey EMK,** Pehowich DJ. N-3 and N-6 fatty acids modulate the inotropic response to calcium in hypothyroid rat papillary muscle. *J. Cardiovasc. Pharmacol.*, **25**: 473-480, 1995. [PMID: 7769815]
- Awumey EMK, Paton DM, Pehowich DJ. Thyroid status and dietary fatty acids affect β-agonist stimulation of tension development in rat myocardium. *J. Auton. Pharmacol.*, 15: 73-84, 1995. [PMID: 7615576]
- 5. Pehowich DJ, **Awumey EMK**. Influence of hypothyroid state on cardiac sarcolemmal incorporation of dietary n-6 and n-3 fatty acids. *Nutr. Res.*, **15**: 1211-1222, 1995.
- 6. Awumey EM, Hollis BW, Bell NH. Evidence that decreased production rate, and not increased metabolic clearance rate is probably responsible for low serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D in African-Americans. In: Vitamin D: Chemistry, Biology and Clinical Applications of Steroid Hormones. Norman AW, Bouillon R, Thomasset M, eds., Hawthorne, NY: Walter de Gruyter, Inc., pp. 701-708. 1997.
- 7. **Awumey EMK**, Mitra DA, Hollis BW, Kumar R, Bell NH. Vitamin D metabolism is altered in Asian Indians in the Southern United States. A Clinical Research Center Study. *J. Clin. Endocrinol. Metab.*, **83**: 169-173, 1998. [PMID: 9435436]
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- Silverton SF, Adebanjo OA, Moonga BS, Awumey EM, Malinski T, Zaidi M. Direct microsensor measurement of nitric oxide production by the osteoclast. Biochim. Biophys. Res. Comm. 259: 73-77, 1999. [PMID: 10334918]
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- Sodam BR, Awumey EM, Sampson WH, Epstein S. The endothelin receptor antagonist, L-754,142 does not prevent cyclosporine A-induced osteopenia in rats. Calcif Tissue Int. 68: 117-121, 2001. [PMID: 11310347]
- 12. Wang Y, **Awumey EK**, Chatterjee PK, Somasundaram C, Bian K, Rogers RV, Dunn C, Bukoski RD. Molecular cloning and characterization of a sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor. *Am J. Physiol Cell Physiol* **285**: C64-C75, 2003. [PMID: 12637267]
- 13. Derfoul A, Lin FJ, **Awumey EM**, Kolodzeski T, Hall DJ, Tuan RS. Estrogenic endocrine disruptive components interfere with calcium handling and differentiation of human trophoblast cells. *J. Cell Biochem.* **89**: 755-770, 2003. [PMID: 12858341]
- 14. **Awumey EM**, Howlett AC, Diz DI. Is there a role for anadamide in cardiovascular regulation? Insights from studies of endocannabinoid metabolism. *Am J Physiol Heart Circ Physiol* **289**: H520-H521, 2005. [PMID: 16014613]
- 15. **Awumey EM**, Bukoski RD. Cellular Functions and Fluxes of Calcium. In: Weaver CM, Heany RP, eds. *Calcium in Human Health*, Totowa, NJ: Humana Press, Chp. 3, pp. 13-25, 2006.

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- 17. Heyeraas KJ, Haug SR, Bukoski RD, **Awumey EM**. Identification of the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing Receptor in Rat Trigeminal Ganglia, Sensory Axons and Tooth Dental Pulp. *Calcified Tissue Int.* **82**: 57-65, 2008. [PMID: 18175029]
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#### **ABSTRACTS**

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- 8. Awumey EM, Putney JW, Jr., Howlett A, Bukoski RD. Desensitization of the Sensory nerve

- Ca<sup>2+</sup>-Sensing receptor stably expressed in HEK293 cells is mediated by Protein Kinase C. *FASEB J* **19**: A524, 2005.
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- 12. Heyeraas KJ, Haug SR, Awumey EM. Identification of the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor in rat trigeminal ganglia, sensory axons and tooth dental pulp. *FASEB J* **21**: A73, 2007.
- 13. Sesay J, Howlett AC, Diz DI, Awumey EM. Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor signaling in mouse neuroblastoma cells: A model for the perivascular sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor. *Hypertension* **50**:e124, 2007.
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- 15. **Awumey EM**, Bridges LS, Diz DI. Inhibition of phospholipase  $A_2$  and  $K_{Ca}$  channels attenuate  $Ca^{2+}$ -induced relaxation of isolated, phenylephrine-contracted rat mesenteric arteries. *Hypertension* **52**:e117, 2008.
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- 17. **Awumey EM**, Bridges LS, Diz DI. Endothelial Nitric Oxide Synthase knockout and Nitric Oxide inhibition attenuate Ca<sup>2+</sup>-induced relaxation of isolated pre-contracted mouse mesenteric arteries. *Hypertension* **54**: e126, 2009.
- 18. **Awumey EM**, Bridges LE, Williams CL, Diz DI. Nitric Oxide Synthase knockout modulates Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor expression and signaling in mesenteric arteries. *FASEB J* **26**: 671.5, 2012.
- 19. Gyamfi MA, **Awumey EM**. Role of pregnane X receptor (PXR) in diet-induced obesity. *FASEB J* **26**: 1153.2, 2012.
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- 21. Ayanwale LD, Williams CL, **Awumey EM**. High salt diet modulates Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor and cytochrome P450 isoform expression in mesenteric arteries in Dahl Salt-sensitive rats. *Hypertension* **62**: A474, 2013.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### Seminars

- Awumey EM. Mechanism of s of Cyclosporine A-induced bone loss. Division of Orthopaedic Research, Department of Medicine, Thomas Jefferson University Medical School, Philadelphia, PA. May 10, 1999.
- 2. **Awumey EM.** Calcineurin Inhibition: Relevance to cardiovascular and metabolic bone diseases. Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC. August 20, 1999.
- 3. **Awumey EM**. The Sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor: A Potential Anti-hypertensive Target? Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC; September 17, 2003.
- 4. Awumey EM. Cloning and functional characterization of the sensory nerve Ca2+-sensing

- receptor. Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC; June 21, 2006.
- 5. **Awumey EM**. Functional characterization of the perivascular sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor. Julius L. Chambers Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC; December 19, 2006.
- 6. **Awumey EM.** Functional characterization of the G protein-coupled perivascular nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor. Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research, University of Ghana, Legon; July 24, 2007.
- 7. **Awumey EM.** Mechanism of perivascular nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor activation and vasodilation. JLC Biomedical/Biotechnology Research Institute, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC; February 29, 2008.
- 8. **Awumey EM.** Mechanism of perivascular sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor (CaR) signaling and vascular relaxation. BRITE, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC. October 9, 2009.
- 9. **Awumey EM.** Perivascular nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor: Signaling and vascular response. Hypertension & Vascular Research Center, Wake Forest University Medical School, Winston-Salem, NC; February 17, 2010.
- 10. **Awumey EM.** Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor expression and signaling in hypertension. Department of Pharmacology, School of Medicine, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA; October 31, 2014.
- 11. **Awumey EM.** Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor expression and signaling in hypertension. Hypertension and Vascular Research Center, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC; January 12, 2016.
- 12. **Awumey EM.** Does the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor play a role in blood pressure regulation? Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Texas Southern University, Houston, TX; June 17, 2016.

#### Posters

- Adamolekun RD, Awumey EM, Bukoski RD. Semi-quantitative RT-PCR analysis of the sensory nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor expression in HEK293 cells. Presented at the Undergraduate SOARS (Seizing Opportunities for Advancing Research Scholars) Fall Conference, North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC; November 8, 2002.
- 2. **Awumey EM**, Chartterjee PK, Bukoski RD. Dorsal root ganglion Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor expression level alters functional coupling. Presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Cardiovascular Minority Supplement Awardee Session, National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute; American Heart Association Meeting, Chicago, IL; November 16, 2002.

#### **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

#### **Ongoing Support:**

1. Ca<sup>2+</sup>-Sensing Receptor Mutation and Salt-sensitive Hypertension

Awumey, EM (PI)

1SC1 HL136278-01

5/01/2017 - 3/31/2021

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goal of this proposal is to determine the role of kidney and vascular Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor in salt-sensitive hypertension.

# **Completed Support:**

1. NCCU Center for Translational Health Equality Research

Kimbro, KS (PI) **P20 MD00175** 

6/01/2012 - 5/31/2017.

Agency: NIH/MD

Research Project 2 (Awumey, EM & Pointer, MA; Co-Pls)

"Role of Extracellular Calcium in Obesity, Hypertension and Diabetes"

2. Mechanism of Desensitization of the Perivascular Nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing Receptor

Awumey, EM (PI)

1SC1 HL099139-01A1

9/01/2009 - 12/31/2015.

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goal of this proposal is to elucidate the role of G proteins in perivascular nerve Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor signal desensitization.

3. Research in Cardiovascular Health among African Americans

Calhoun, FJ (PI)

Awumey, EM; Assistant Professor.

R25 HL0552729

9/01/2006 - 8/31/2011.

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goals of this program are to establish a multidisciplinary research program for studying cardiovascular diseases that disproportionately affect African Americans, provide state of the art basic research experiences for minority undergraduate and graduate students to bolster the scientific curriculum of the university, and to establish collaborative research projects with neighboring outlying institutions.

4. Mechanisms Linking Ca<sup>2+</sup> Homeostasis and Vascular Tone

Calhoun, FJ (PI). Originally awarded to the late Richard D. Bukoski.

Awumey, EM; Assistant Professor (Project Director).

2R01 HL064761

8/01/2004 - 3/31/2010.

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goal of this project is to understand the integrated mechanisms by which changes in local interstitial Ca<sup>2+</sup> modulate vascular reactivity and was used as a vehicle to move to a greater level of research independence.

5. Research in Cardiovascular Health among African Americans

Harewood, KR (PI).

Awumey, EM; Research Scientist.

UH1 HL059868

9/01/1999 - 8/31/2006

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goals of this program are to establish a multidisciplinary research program for studying cardiovascular diseases that disproportionately affect African Americans, provide state of the art basic research experiences for minority undergraduate and graduate students to bolster the scientific curriculum of the university, and to establish collaborative research projects with neighboring outlying institutions.

6. NCCU NASA Center

9/01/2002 - 8/31/2005

Harewood, KR (PI)

Awumey, EM; Research Scientist.

Agency: NASA-URC.

The goal of this grant is to establish a NASA research center at North Carolina Central University that includes both student training components and basic research into the general area of the effects of micro-gravity on bone loss-associated Ca<sup>2+</sup> metabolism and cardiovascular function.

7. Mechanisms Linking Ca<sup>2+</sup> Homeostasis and Vascular Tone

Bukoski, RD (PI)

Awumey, EM; Minority Scientist.

R01 HL064761

4/01/1999 - 3/31/2003

Agency: NIH/NHLBI

The goal of this project is to understand the integrated mechanisms by which changes in local interstitial Ca<sup>2+</sup> modulate vascular reactivity and was used as a vehicle to move to a greater level of research independence.

Minority Supplement to Emmanuel M. Awumey

5/01/2000 - 4/30/2003

# **Key Words defining Scientific Expertise**

G protein-coupled receptor pharmacology and signaling; intracellular fluorescence Ca<sup>2+</sup> imaging; vascular Ca<sup>2+</sup>-sensing receptor signaling; salt-sensitive hypertension; micro-vascular myography; cloning and DNA/RNA analysis; protein analysis.