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MS (Plant and Soil Sciences), Tuskegee University  
Ph.D., Horticulture (Plant NutritionPhysiology), The Pennsylvania State University

**Research Interests:** Controlled Environment (greenhouse/ plant growth chambers), Soilless Agriculture (hydroponics, aeroponics, solution culture; evaluating nutritional and physiological responses of plants to several environmental factors including carbon dioxide – optimal or superoptimal, temperature, light intensity, quality, photoperiod) Functional Genomics (especially genes controlling sweetpotato storage root initiation and development particularly in soilless culture); Sustainable Agriculture (organic vegetable production).

#### Active Projects

- Organic vs. conventional production of blueberry fruits and selected vegetable crops
- Impact of plasticulture on yield of selected vegetable crops: Use of colored plastic mulches to reduce vector transmission TSWV in selected solanaceous crops.
- Evaluate cultivars and harvesting practices for vegetables of economic importance (tomato, pepper, hot pepper, sweet corn, summer squash, southern pea etc) in the field and containers.
- Identify and evaluate cultural practices for niche new/alternative Asian vegetable crops which can potentially serve as cash crops for Alabama farmers.
- Relationship between endogenous cytokinins N fertilizer rates on sweetpotato storage root initiation and development when grown hydroponically
- Feedstock development for producing ethanol from sweetpotato storage roots and sugar cane

#### Highlights of Qualifications

- 20 years of experience in controlled environment agricultural basic and applied research.
- Able to work collaboratively in team effort.
- Written and spoken communication skills.

## **Professional Experience**

January, 2000 Present

Research Professor and Plant Sciences Coordinator, Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

August, 2000 to June, 2009

Research Professor and Coordinator, Center for Food and Environmental Systems for Human Exploration of Space

July, 1996 to August, 2000

Research Associate Professor and Coordinator, Center for Food and Environmental Systems for Human Exploration of Space (similar responsibilities as below)

Taught Vegetable Crop Production and Plant Propagation (undergraduate courses) and Advanced Vegetable Crop Production (graduate level).

October, 1990 to June 1996

Research Assistant Professor, and group leader for the Growing Systems and Environmental Factors group Tuskegee University's NASA sponsored Closed Ecological

Life Support Systems (CELSS), research program. Responsibilities included conducting research and supervising the production unit of the CELSS program. Set up greenhouse and environmental chamber experiments on peanuts and sweetpotatoes using hydroponic systems. Evaluate sweetpotato and peanut breeding lines for adaptability to hydroponic systems in CELSS. Conduct plant nutrition studies and provide recommendations for NASA CELSS program on sweetpotatoes and peanuts. Collect, evaluate and analyze data in connection with the growth and environment of these crops. Also conducted field fertilizer/cultural practice studies with tomatoes, vegetable amaranth, and sweetpotatoes.

July, 1988 to September, 1990

Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Closed Ecological Life Support Systems (CELSS), Tuskegee University.

1986 to 1988

Walter Thomas Memorial Fellow, in Plant Nutrition, Dept. of Horticulture, Pennsylvania State University.

## **Professional Affiliations**

American Society for Horticultural Science

Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists

American Society Horticultural Science NCERA 101 Controlled Environment Technology and Use

American Peanut Research and Education Society

Sigma Xi.

International Society for Tropical Root Crops

## American Association for Gravitational and Space Biology

### **Research Grants**

#### **Principal Investigator**

Sweetpotato Stem Cuttings Database in Preparation for Flight; NASA, \$290,621 ('98-'01)

Using Nitrate Accumulated under Plastic Mulch Films through Microbial Transformation for Sweetpotato Production; USDA, \$94,000, ('96-'01)

#### **Co-principal Investigator**

Center for Food and Environmental Systems for Human Exploration of Space; NASA, \$1.2 m per year ('92-'09). CO-PI

Evaluation of Selected Under-utilized African Vegetable Crops by Farmers in Senegal. 1997-1998, US100,000. CO-PI

Monsanto /1890 Vegetable Research Project \$20,000 ('07-'09). CO-PI

Using Colored Mulches to Control TSWV in Tomatoes and Peppers, AALGA, \$35,000 ('06-'07). PI

Fruit Production for Homeowners and Small Scale Producers Using Organic Methods, AALGA, \$25,000 ('07-'08). CO-PI

Accelerating Adoption of Organic farming in Alabama Through Education of Organic Growers and Consumers, \$500,000 ('11-'14); CO-PI

Evaluation of New/Alternative Asian Veg. Crops for Agricultural Sustainability in Alabama, AALGA \$21,000 ('10-'11); PI

Increasing Sweetpotato Production in Alabama by Evaluating its Potential as a Feedstock for Bioethanol Production, State of AL Specialty Crops Grant \$25,000, ('10-'12), PI

Systems Approach to Orange Flesh Sweetpotato Technology in Africa, USAID

HORTCRSP, \$250,000 ('12-'14); CO-PI

Linking DNA Markers to Key Bioenergy Traits in Miscanthus, USDA NIFA CBG; \$299,000, ('12-'15)

### **Awards and Recognitions**

Walter Thomas Memorial Fellow, in Plant Nutrition, Pennsylvania State University

Outstanding Research Paper Award in Plant and Soil Science, Association of research Directors (ARD)

United States Department of Agriculture Secretary's Honor Award (Group) USDA, for contribution to the nation's space program.

Research Achievement Award, Tuskegee University

Faculty Achievement Award, Tuskegee University

### **Professional Development**

Training and Development of Small Businesses in Advanced Technologies – NASA

Technical Assistance and Grants Management Workshop – NASA

ESCOP/ECOP Leadership Development Program

## Publications

### Abstracts

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Mortley, D., C. Bonsi, P. Loretan, W. Hill and E. Martinez. 1990. Effect of photoperiod and temperature regimes on yield of sweetpotatoes grown using NFT. HortScience 25:858.

Martinez, E., C. Bonsi, W. Hill, D. Mortley and C. Morris. 1990. Effect of continuous vs periodic pH adjustment on growth of GA Jet and TI-155 sweetpotato cultivars grown using NFT. HortScience 25:864.

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David, P.P.,A. Alamzan, C.K. Bonsi, D.G. Mortley, and A.A. Trotman. 1992. Effects of biweekly topping on nutrient content of shoot tips and storage root yield of sweetpotato grown in a NFT system. HortScience 27:1170.

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Sherif, M. A., P.A Loretan, A.A. Trotman, D.G. Mortley, J.Y. Lu, and L.C. Garner. 1993. Growth of sweetpotato in hydroponic system using split-root channels. HortScience 28:266.

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