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EDUCATION

2012	Ph.D. Natural Resource Management	Egerton University, Kenya
2002	MSc. Natural Resource Management	Egerton University, Kenya
1995	BSc. Forestry	Moi University, Kenya

FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION

Silviculture, Tree Seed technology, Indigenous knowledge on conservation,

WORK EXPERIENCE

Nov 2006 - present	Lecturer , Natural Resources Department, Egerton University
Sept. 2009 – present	Chairman, Mau Forest Conservation Committee
Nov. 2002 – Nov 2006	Assistant Lecturer, Natural Resources Department, Egerton University
2001 – 2002	Ag.Chief technician, Natural Resources Department, Egerton University
1996 – 1998	Senior Technologists, Natural Resources Department, Egerton University
1995 Oct. – 1996 April	High School teacher, Arutani Girls Secondary School, Rongai
1995 Sept. – 1995 Nov.	Research Officer, British American Tobacco Kenya Ltd Audit Project.

KEY RESEARCH PROJECTS

Propagation of medicinal plants
 Propagation of wild fruits
 Antimicrobial activity of medicinal plants of Koibatek Distric
 Traditional knowledge , use and conservation of Tugens medicinal plants of Koibatek district.
 Success of Community Forest Associations in forest conservation

RECENT SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

1.	Kibue, G.W; Karachi, M.K; Maara, N.T and Cheboi, E.K. (2011). Perpetuated Human-Wildlife wars: A case study of the marauding elephants in Mbuvoiri small farms, Embu,
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	Kenya. <i>Eastern Africa Social Sciences Research Review</i> 27(1):33-47.
2.	Esilaba, M.O.; Maara, N.T and Tangu, J.K (2007). Impact of Human-wildlife conflict resolution on wildlife conservation and socioeconomic welfare of pastoral communities: A case study of Samburu pastoralists, Samburu District, Kenya. <i>Eastern Africa Social Sciences Research Review</i> 23 (2):41-54.
3.	Maara, T.N, Karachi, M and Ahenda, J.O.(2006). Effects of pre-germination treatments, desiccation and storage temperatures on germination of <i>Carissa edulis</i> (forssk) varl, <i>Vangueria madagascariensis</i> (gml.) and <i>Ximenia americana</i> (l.) seeds. <i>Journal of Tropical Forest Science</i> 18 (1): 1-7.
4.	Inoti, S.K. and Maara T.N.(2004). Effects of Spacing on the growth of <i>Grevillea robusta</i> at Egerton University ,Njoro, Kenya. <i>Egerton Journal of Science and Technology</i> 5 (1): 82 –91.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Tree seed technology, propagation of indigenous trees species (medicinal and wild fruit trees)

Antimicrobial activities of medicinal plants