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Research interests:

Disease complexes involving plant-parasitic nematodes, fungi, bacteria and viruses in major life sustaining agricultural crops in Kenya. The interactions of these pathogens are known to enhance plant diseases, with nematodes being the most important in initiation and subsequent development of these diseases mainly through wound creation during feeding.

Poster communication:

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