

## Curriculum Vitae

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- Idris, AM (1991) Host range studies, and virus-vector relationships of Sinaloa tomato leaf curl virus: a whitefly-borne virus from Mexico. MS thesis, Department of Plant Virology, Agricultural University, Wageningen, The Netherlands. 40pp.

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1. Member, First International Graduate Student Meeting Committee, 1993. School of Plant Sciences, University of Arizona.
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### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

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5. **Idris, AM**, JR Tuttle, D Robertson, C Haigler, JK Brown 2010. Differential *Cotton leaf crumple virus*-VIGS-mediated gene silencing and viral genome localization in different *Gossypium hirsutum* genetic backgrounds. **Physiological and Molecular Plant Pathology** 75:13-22.
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