

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. (Biochemistry /Molecular Biology) Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa. USA 1983.

M.Sc. (Biochemistry) Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt, 1976.

B.Sc. (Biochemistry) Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt, 1971.

POSITIONS:

1997-Current: Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University (Cairo, Egypt).

2013-2021: Research Director, Biogeometry Energy Systems, Montreal, Quebec Canada

1997-2013: Director, Ain Shams University Genetic Engineering Research Services Unit (ASUGEN).

2007-2011: Chairman, Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University.

2003-2005: Consultant, Egypt National Vaccine & Serum Institute (VACSERA)

1992-1997: Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University.

1983-1992: Lecturer, Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University.

1989-1990: Research Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, School of Medicine, State University of New York (Buffalo, NY, USA).

1988-1989: Research Fellow, Liver Research Center, Albert Einstein College of Medicine (New York, NY, USA).

1984-1988: Consultant, Department of Biochemistry, United States Naval American Medical Research Unit (NARMU-3; Cairo, Egypt).

1985-1987: Senior Investigator, Rapid Diagnostic Unit, Research and Training Center on Vectors of Diseases, Ain Shams University.

1983-1983: Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology, University of Colorado (Boulder, CO, USA).

1977-1982: Research Assistant, Department of Chemistry, Temple University (Philadelphia, PA, USA).

1971-1976: Instructor, Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science. Ain Shams University.

APPOINTMENTS:

- Member & Board Secretary, Special committee for Biotechnology and Genetics (Planning Committees for University Education Sectors, Supreme Council of Universities, Egypt).
- Interim steering committee, The New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) North Africa Biosciences Network.
- Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology Sector Committee, Supreme Council of Universities, Egypt.

- Basic Sciences Research Council and Secretary General Interdisciplinary Sciences Branch, Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt.
- Chairman Strategies Committee for Human Resource Development, Genetic Engineering Committee, National Council for Education, Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt.
- Egypt Cabinet Biotechnology Board.
- Board of Ain Shams Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.
- Board of Ain Shams University Medical Research Center.
- Board of Center for Scientific Studies & Consultation, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams Univ.
- UNESCO Task Group for Modernization of Basic Biology Curriculum in Arab Universities.
- Selection committees for the United States, Fulbright scholars' program.
- National award committees for Egypt state prizes in science and technology.

APPRECIATION AWARD:

Ain Shams University Appreciation Award, 2022.

Grant Reviewer:

- Egypt Supreme Council of Universities:
 - Science & Technology Development Fund (STDF)
 - Foreign Relation Coordination Unit Projects
- Egypt Academy of Scientific Research and Technology:
 - Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology Medical Program.
 - Pharmaceutical Research Division Projects
 - US/Egypt Joint Science and Technology Program.
- USAID/AERI Institutional Linkage Project.
- National Research Center Institutional Projects.
- Theodore Bilharz Research Institute Internal Projects.

MAJOR GRANT AWARDS:

- 1990-1998** : United States Agency for International Development (USAID)/Egyptian Ministry of Health(MOH) Schistosomiasis Research Project (SRP) grant 0106 "Towards the Development of a Vaccine for Schistosomiasis".
- 1994-1998** : World Health Organization Schistosome Genome Project grant 940348.
- 1996-1998** : Ministry of International Cooperation, grant for Hepatitis C study.
- 2004-2008** : Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, "DNA Vaccines for Schistosomiasis."
- 2011-2013** : Ain Shams University, Hepatitis C epitope mapping research grant

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:

American Chemical Society, Sigma Xi, Egyptian Biochemical Society, American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Egyptian Society of Clinical Chemistry.

MAIN RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY INTERESTS:

Schistosomiasis vaccine development, Viral hepatitis diagnosis and therapy, Protein expression, Protein biosynthesis, Gene regulation, DNA vaccines, Genome research, effects of radiation on biological systems.

PUBLICATIONS:

A GTPase Reaction Accompanying the Rejection of Leu-tRNA² by UUU-Programmed Ribosomes. Thompson, R.C., Dix, D.B., Gerson, R.B. and **Karim, A.M.**
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The Reaction of Ribosomes with Elongation Factor Tu.GTP Complexes: Aminoacyl-tRNA- independent Reactions in the Elongation Cycle Determine the Accuracy of Protein Synthesis . Thompson, R.C., Dix, D.B. and **Karim, A.M.**
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The Antihyperlipidemic Effects of Massive Doses of Vitamin B₆ Plus Pyridoxal Phosphate (PLP) in Rats. Shoukry, S., **Karim, A.**, Ali, F.T., Rizk, S.S. and Mahmoud, M.
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Antihyperlipidemic Effect of Clofibrate Boosted with Vitamin B₆ + PLP. **Karim, A.**, Maharem, T.M., Mahmoud, M. and Shoukry, S.
Indian J. Applied and Pure Biol. 5 25-31 (1990).

Rapid Detection of Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli Plasmid Sequences by Dot Hybridization using Biotinylated Probes. **Karim, A.M.**
Egypt J. Med. Sci. 11, 481-486 (1990).

Schizodeme and Zymodeme Characterization of Leishmania in the Investigation of a Focus of Infantile Visceral Leishmaniasis in Alexandria - Egypt. **Karim, A.M.**, Osman, A.M., Al-Gauhari, A.I. and Shehata, M.G.
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Lipid Metabolism in Rats Fed on Megadoses of Vitamin B₆ and Boosted with Pyridoxal-5-phosphate. Maharem, T.M., **Karim, A.M.**, Shoukry, G.M. and Shoukry, S. Egypt J. Pharm. Sci. 32, 405-413 (1991).

Schistosoma mansoni: Characterization of the Gene Encoding Sm23, an Integral Membrane Protein. Lee, K.W, Shalaby, K.A., Medhat, A.M., Shi, H., Yang, Q., **Karim, A.M.** and LoVerde, P. T. Experimental Parasitology. 80, 155-158 (1995).

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Reduced Effects of L-Carnitine on Glucose and Fatty Acid Metabolism in Myocytes Isolated From Diabetic Rats. Abdel-aleem, S., **Karim, A.M.**, Zarouk, W.A., Taylor, D.A., El-Awady, M.K. and Lowe, J.E. Hormone and metabolic research 29, 430-435 (1997).

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First Insights into the Metagenome of Egyptian Mummies using Next Generation Sequencing. Khairat, R., Ball, M., Chang, C.-C.H., Bianucci, R., Nerlich, A.G., Trautmann, M., Ismail, S., Shanab, G.M.L., **Karim, A.M.**, Gad, Y.Z. and Pusch, C.M.

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Neurochem. Res. 39, 321-332 (2014).

The anti-apoptotic and anti-inflammatory properties of puerarin attenuate 3-nitropropionic-acid induced neurotoxicity in rats. Mahdy, H.M., Mohamed, M.R., Emam, M.A., **Karim, A.M.**, Abdel-Naim, A. and Khalifa, A.E.

Canadian J. Physiol. and Pharmacol. 92, 252-258 (2014).

Expression and Immune Recognition of Polypeptides Derived from Hepatitis C Virus Structural Proteins. Halim, A.S.A. Mohamed, M.R., Hamid, F. F.A. and **Karim, A.M.**

Indian J. Pathol. and Microbiol. Microbiol 62, 43 (2019).

Development of an Efficient *in vivo* Cell Based Assay System for Monitoring Hepatitis C Virus Genotype 4a NS3/4A Protease Activity. Naguib, M.M., Mohamed, M.R., Ali, M.A.M. and **Karim, A.M.**

Indian J. Pathol. and Microbiol. 62, 391 (2019).