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### NEWS RELEASE:

#### UG HAS THE BEST SCIENTISTS IN GHANA – AD SCIENTIFIC INDEX 2022 VERSION 2

The University of Ghana (UG) has been ranked the highest tertiary institution in Ghana by the Alper-Doger (AD) Scientific Index 2022 Version 2. Additionally, the first of the top 1,000 scientists in the country is from the University of Ghana, and **more than 270** scientists from the University of Ghana appear in the top 1,000 scientists featured.

Across the diverse disciplines within its four Colleges, the University leads nationally, progressively intensifying its impact in pursuit of excellence. The premier institution's scholars represented 30% to 70% of the top 20 ranked scientists in seven of the eleven subject areas as follows:

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| 1. Agriculture and Forestry    | – 11 out of the top 20 Scholars in Ghana |
| 2. Business and Management     | – 9                                      |
| 3. Economics and Econometrics  | – 11                                     |
| 4. Engineering and Technology  | – 7                                      |
| 5. Medical and Health Sciences | – 6                                      |
| 6. Natural Sciences            | – 6                                      |
| 7. Social Sciences             | – 14                                     |

The AD Scientific Index 2022 Version 2 named **Dr. Dwomoa Adu**, a Senior Research Fellow in the University of Ghana Medical School, College of Health Sciences, as the best scientist in Ghana, out of the 1,000 academics featured. Similarly, last year, Dr. Adu made the University proud when the AD Scientific Index Report 2021 listed him as the overall topmost scholar in Ghana out of the 231 scientists who made the ranking cut-off.

In the current rankings, **Professor Daniel Adjei Boakye** of the Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research and **Professor Ernest Aryeetey** (Former Vice-Chancellor) of the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research, were ranked 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> top scientists in Ghana respectively. **Professor Joshua Yindenaba Abor** (Former Dean of the University of Ghana Business School), **Professor Dorothy Yeboah Manu** (Director of Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research), **Professor Isabella Quakyi** (Former Dean of the School of Public Health) and **Professor Robert Ebo Hinson** (Former Head, Department of Marketing and Entrepreneurship, UGBS) emerged 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> respectively.

The assessment procedure for ranking the 1,000 Ghanaian scientists and their scientific studies was based on international standard scoring systems, including citations in renowned databases such as Scopus, Web of Science, Publons and Google Scholar, to provide the numerical indicators showing how productive and effective a researcher is.

The 2022 AD Scientific Index also listed the University of Ghana as **15th out of the 2,049 universities in Africa, and at 1,704** out of 14,284 universities surveyed globally. This feat, achieved by scientists from UG, follows from the Webometrics ranking of the University of Ghana as **first in Ghana, 11th in Sub-Saharan Africa and 1,121 in the world** - out of 31,000 Higher Education Institutions from more than 200 countries earlier this year. Furthermore, the **QS World University Rankings**, in its 2022 ranking, classified the **University of Ghana as one of the 20 best universities in Africa**, the only West African university to be so classified.

The AD Scientific Index is a ranking and analysis system based on the scientific performance and the added value of the scientific productivity of individual scientists. Also, it provides rankings of institutions based on the scientific characteristics of affiliated scientists.

**Congratulations** to all the UG Scientists who have made it to the list of the top 1,000 scientists in Ghana. The University of Ghana is so proud of your commitment to academic excellence.

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