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OBITUARY

PROFESSOR ADEROJU AMOKE OSOWOLE (16 June, 1970 – 25 October, 2016)

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Abel I. Olayinka, FAS, announces with deep regret the transition of Professor Aderoju A. Osowole of the Department of Chemistry, University of Ibadan. She died on Tuesday, 25 October, 2016 after a brief illness. She was aged 46 years.

Professor Aderoju Amoke Osowole was born to the family of late Baba Samuel Folorunso Osowole and Mama Titilola Anike Osowole of Ile-Oba Compound Awe, Oyo State on 16 June, 1970.

Professor Osowole graduated from the University of Ibadan with B.Sc Honours degree in Chemistry in 1990. She also obtained M.Sc and Ph.D degrees in Chemistry from the University of Ibadan in 1993 and 2002 respectively.

Her academic career began at the University of Ibadan as an Assistant Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry on 15 January, 1997. She was promoted to the grade of Lecturer II with effect from 1 October, 1999, Lecturer I from 1 October, 2002, Senior Lecturer from 1 October, 2005, Reader from 1 October, 2008 and Professor from 1 October, 2012.

Late Professor Osowole served the Department of Chemistry and the University of Ibadan very creditably at various times as member, Departmental Finance Committee, Departmental Registration Committee, Departmental Postgraduate Committee, Departmental Library Committee, Departmental Undergraduate Registration Committee and Faculty Board of Science.

She was a very competent researcher and teacher. She created an enviable niche for herself in the area of organo-metallic chemistry with special emphasis on the synthesis and biological activity of divalent transition metal complexes and their adducts.

Late Professor Osowole was a recipient of many scholarships, fellowships and prizes including: Third World Organisation for Women Science Fellowship at Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India (1999); Visiting Research Scholar, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (2000–2001); Third World Organisation for Women in Science Research Fellowship (2002); Junior Associate, The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy (2005–2007); The Academy of Sciences for Developing World (TWAS) Research Grant Awardee (2006); The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) Young Affiliate Fellow (2007–2011); George Foster Research Fellow (2007–2009); TWAS Research Grant Awardee (2010); Visiting Research scholar at the Institute of Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Technical University, Braunschweig, Germany (2010–2011).

She was on sabbatical leave at Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State until her demise.

Late Professor Osowole was the recipient of Organisation for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD) Award for Young Women Scientists in Chemistry for the African Region in 2011.

She is survived by an aged mother, uncles, aunties, and four siblings.

May her gentle soul rest in peace. Amen

Burial Programme:

Thursday, 10 November, 2016

Service of Songs

Venue: Chapel of the Resurrection Hall

Time: 4.00pm

Friday, 11 November, 2016

Lying in State

Venue: Trenchard Hall

Time: 9.00am

Friday, 11 November, 2016

Burial Service

Venue: Chapel of the Resurrection

Time: 11.00am

Interment at the Resurrection Parks and Gardens, along Igbo-Oloyin, Arulogun Ojoo Road immediately after the service.

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