**Bennet Omalu**

**Born in September 30, 1968**

**Degrees conferred:**

* Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (Medical Degree) in Epidemiology degree from the University of Nigeria in 1991
* Masters in Public Health in Epidemiology degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 2004
* Masters in Business Administration degree from Carnegie Mellon University in 2008
	+ (Bennet Omalu, M.D., M.B.A., MPH, CPE, DABP-AP, CP, FP, NP)

**Research area**

* Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy [CTE] in sports athletes
* CTE and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder [PTSD] in military veterans
* Neurodegenerative sequelae of acute, subacute and chronic neurotrauma
* Neuropathology of repetitive traumatic brain injury
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**Biographical essay**

Doctor Omalu was born in Nigeria September 30, 1968. He was raised there by his family and later pursued higher education by receiving a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery in Epidemiology from the University of Nigeria in 1991. He later came to the United States to go after more educational opportunities at the University of Washington, Columbia University’s Harlem Hospital Center, and Allegheny County Coroner’s Office in Pittsburgh. Doctor Omalu first discovered Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) when preforming an autopsy on Mike Webster, a former Pittsburgh Steelers football player, while working at the Coroner’s Office in Pittsburgh. Thereafter, he published his findings on CTE (Bennet Omalu) and earned a Masters in Public Health in Epidemiology degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 2004 and a Masters in Business Administration degree from Carnegie Mellon University in 2008 (Bennet).

**Research description**

 Doctor Omalu discovered CTE and did most of his research this disease. He found that CTE is caused by traumatic impact on the brain. It is usually found in people that expose themselves to this type of physical injury such as football players, wrestlers, veterans, and so on. These people affected by this disease usually experience changes in their mood, emotion, memory, and more. Through his discovery, he has been able to bring awareness to this disease(Bennet Omalu, M.D., M.B.A., MPH, CPE, DABP-AP, CP, FP, NP)**.**