

Curriculum Vitae  
**Omur Cinar Elci, MD, PhD**

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### **Profile**

- Professor of Clinical & Behavioral Medicine, Western Atlantic University School of Medicine, 2021 -
- Epidemiologist, Public Health Leader, Global Health Expert with over 30 years of diverse global experience in teaching, research, and academic management.
- Established global scale academic management and leadership experience, including, accreditation, program development, strategic planning, fiscal management, resource allocation, and personnel supervision, change management, conflict and problem solving skills.
- Accomplished multiple international level academic program accreditations.
- Experienced in developing national and international academic partnership programs.
- Established the designation on two United Nations Collaborating Centers as the first in the Caribbean Region:
  - WHO Regional Collaborating Center for Environmental and Occupational Health (2011)
  - UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (FCCC) Regional Collaborating Center (2013)
- Member, WHO Health Emergencies Programme, Emergency Task Force for Ebola Response (2019)
- Elected Member of the Delta Omega Honor Society in Public Health (2015)
- Recipient of CDC's Bullard Sherwood Research to Practice (r2p) Award, for field epidemiology (2008)
- Awarded with the Fogarty Post-Doctoral Fellowships at the US, NIH (1999)
- Member of the Board of Directors of Global Health Through Education Training and Service (GHETS)

### **Academic background**

#### **Post-doctoral Fogarty Fellowship in Epidemiology**

- National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, Occupational Epidemiology Branch, Rockville, MD, 2001

#### **PhD in Public Health**

- Dokuz Eylul University, School of Medicine, Health Sciences Institute, Department of Public Health, Izmir, Turkey, 1997

#### **MD (Doctor of Medicine)**

- Ege University, School of Medicine, Izmir, Turkey, 1986

#### **Certifications**

- Harvard University, Derek Bok Center **Certification on Higher Education**, 2020
- WHO **Project Management** Center of Excellence (PMCoE) Certification, 2019

## **Professional and Academic Experiences**

### **Takeda Endowed Chair in Public Health**

- Asian University for Women, Bangladesh, 2020 - 2021
  - Developed a Public Health program with a global perspective.
  - Member of the AUW's New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) Accreditation Board.

### **Visiting Professor of Public Health**

- Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Medicine, Northern Cyprus, 2019 -
  - Lectures
  - Research and professional mentorship

### **Senior Consultant Epidemiologist**

- World Health Organization, Country Office, Turkey, 2018 - 2021
  - Member of the Refugee Health Program, Research and Survey Team
  - Planned and implemented multiple field investigations, large research projects, and strategic planning activities, monitoring & evaluation for the Refugee Health Program.
  - Within the first two years developed and implemented eight large WHO field research projects focusing refugee health services.
  - Participated in international cluster coordination activities for the Health Sector Working Group.
  - Mentored and consulted technical officers in research methodology, field epidemiology, study planning and project management.
  - On August 2019, selected for WHO Health Emergencies Programme, Emergency Task Force for Ebola Response.

### **Adjunct Professor and Co-Director Office of Experiential Learning**

- City University of New York (CUNY) School of Public Health and Health Policy, June 2017 - 2018
  - Co-Director, Office of Experiential Learning (OEL)
  - Co-responsible for Social Justice and Public Health lectures
  - Supervised field practicum and internship activities for graduate public health students

### **Global Health Consultant**

- Global Health and Safety Consulting LLC, New York 2017-2018
  - Consultancy and innovative global health solutions, focusing on Epidemiology, Global Public Health, Occupational Safety and Health, Healthcare Management, Health Education

### **Academic Director**

- Boitekanelo College of Health Sciences (BC), Gaborone, Botswana, 2015-2016
  - Lead over 250 faculty and more than 3,000 students in one of the largest health sciences institution in sub-Saharan Africa.
  - Developed academic and institutional infrastructure to transform BC into a first Global Health oriented Health Sciences University in sub-Saharan Africa.
  - Lead BC's academic quality assurance to secure Botswana Qualifications Authority (BQA) accreditation and Botswana Health Professions Council (BHPC) registration.

- Established health research workforce development infrastructure in collaboration with regional and international partners, local and regional scholars, and via community empowerment aiming to establish Botswana as a regional and international research and education hub for health sciences.
- Developed new health sciences diploma and degree programs to provide sustainable solutions for the health workforce need for sub-Saharan Africa.

### **Professor and Department Chair**

- Saint George's University School of Medicine, Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Saint George's, Grenada, The Caribbean, 2009-2015
  - Managed a large department with five divisions, aligned with MPH specialty tracks, 22 faculty members, and four administrative staff.
  - Led the MPH program towards its first Council of Education for Public Health (**CEPH**) **accreditation**. The MPH program now is one of the few international public health programs accredited by CEPH.
  - Developed a new 42-credit Master of Public Health (MPH) curriculum:
    - Developed a flexible, integrated, and student-oriented MD/MPH and DVM/MPH dual degrees.
    - Established one of the most robust and diverse practicum programs including practicum sites in more than 50 countries around the World.
    - Established a competency-based integration of culminating experience component throughout the MPH curriculum.
  - Led his Department's designation as the **UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (FCCC) Regional Collaborating Center** as the first in the Caribbean Region.
  - Led his Department's designation as **WHO Collaborating Center for Environmental and Occupational Health** as the first in the Caribbean Region.
  - Established the Gamma Kappa Chapter of respected **The Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health**.
  - Transformed the Department into a dynamic, innovative, productive, and engaging unit housing international scholars with diverse backgrounds to address population health issues in regional and global level.
  - The Public Health Student Association, during his administration, has evolved into a dynamic, engaging student body that involves in decision-making mechanisms at the institutional level and community health issues at the regional and global level.
  - Developed a strong global health research capacity, community-based research portfolio, and international collaboration and funding opportunities.
    - Established research collaborations with CDC, WHO, PAHO, UNDP, regional and international governments, and academic institutions on:
      - Preventing occupational health problems and increasing productivity in Nutmeg Industry,
      - Sustainable Agriculture and Land Management Program,
      - Needle stick injury prevention program for healthcare workers in the Caribbean,
      - Establishing sustainable energy policies for Grenada and the Caribbean, etc.
  - On October 2012, became a CEPH Accreditation Reviewer.

### **Professor and Epidemiology Track Director**

- Saint George's University School of Medicine, Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Saint George's, Grenada, The Caribbean, 2008-2015

- Instructor, MPH curriculum courses:
  - PUBH-803 Principles of Epidemiology (modified the course)
  - PUBH-804 Principles of Biostatistics
  - PUBH-830 Epidemiology in Public Health Practice Settings (modified the course)
  - PUBH-832 Research Methods and Ethics (modified the course)

### **Associate Professor**

- Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University, Department of Family Medicine, Division of Community Health and Preventive Medicine, Greenville, NC, 2006-2008
  - Problem-Based Learning (PBL) Tutor, School of Medicine M-1 Public Health sessions.
  - Responsible on MPH curriculum courses:
    - MPH-6011 Introduction to Epidemiology (modified the course)
    - MPH-6003 Occupational Health (developed a new course)
    - MPH-6006 Making Sense of Data (developed a new course)
    - MPH-6991, Professional Paper I, II (developed a new course)
  - Prepared continuing medical education (CME) sessions for School of Medicine faculty on:
    - Study planning for health scientists
    - Understanding and managing data
    - Systematic reading and reviewing scientific reports
  - As a member of the CEPH accreditation team, established accreditation for the MPH Program.

### **Medical Director**

- North Carolina Agro-medicine Institute, Greenville, NC 2006-2008
  - Developed research agenda on occupational health problems in agriculture.
  - Initiated a population-based field study on respiratory health problems among farmers.

### **Adjunct Associate Professor**

- East Carolina University, School of Allied Health Sciences, Department of Biostatistics, Greenville, NC, 2006-2008
  - Instructed, BIOS-5010 Basic Epidemiology (modified and developed an online course)
- West Virginia University, College of Engineering and Mineral Resources, Morgantown, WV, 2005-2008
  - Served as a member, Ph.D. committees
  - Collaborated in biomedical research activities focused on airflow dynamics in larynx.
- West Virginia University, School of Medicine, Department of Community Medicine, Morgantown, WV, 2001-2006
  - Participated in public health curriculum preparation committee for Ph.D. program.
  - Participated in occupational health research activities.
  - Developed basic training courses and graduate lectures on occupational epidemiology, research methodology and study planning.

### **Branch Epidemiologist**

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Health Effect Laboratory Division, Exposure Assessment Branch, Morgantown, WV, 2003-2005
  - Research focused on updating NIOSH exposure assessment strategies and validation efforts for self-assessment of exposure and control banding techniques.

- Developed a model to test his hypothesis on particle deposition following occupational exposures on larynx.
- As a principal investigator, coordinated NIOSH project on testing the validity of self-assessment of exposure, control banding, and evaluating related behavioral factors among workforce.

### **Epidemiologist**

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Division of Respiratory Disease Studies, Field Studies Branch, Morgantown, WV, 2001-2003
  - Participated in NIOSH field epidemiology investigations for health hazard evaluations and monitoring and evaluation as well as resource allocation in various occupational settings nationwide.
  - Analyzed longitudinal pulmonary function changes in microwave popcorn production workers with fixed airway obstruction.
  - Demonstrated the possible role of short-term, high-intensity butter flavoring exposure on the development of fixed airway obstruction among microwave popcorn production workers.
  - Developed exposure assessment tools, including job exposure matrices and analyzed longitudinal pulmonary function changes for beryllium workers.
  - Awarded by the CDC with an U.S. immigration petition under the category of “outstanding researcher”.
  - Awarded with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Bullard-Sherwood Research to Practice Award, based on his his field epidemiology achievements in 2008.

### **Fogarty Post-doctoral Fellow in Epidemiology**

- National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute, Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics, Occupational Epidemiology Branch, Rockville, MD, 1999-2001
  - Concentrated on semi-quantitative exposure assessment methods, developing job exposure matrices, and epidemiological evaluation of occupational exposures.
  - Investigated occupational exposure factors in the etiology of laryngeal cancer in Turkey.
  - Participated in research projects including Agricultural Health Study, Spanish Bladder Cancer Study, and Swedish Census Cohort.
  - Developed a hypothesis to investigate the particle deposition on larynx and its role on the cancer development, based on the specific anatomic structure and air dynamics in larynx.

### **Assistant Professor**

- Dokuz Eylul University, School of Medicine, Department of Public Health, Izmir, Turkey, 1998-2001
  - Mentored medical students and fellows on public health research and field training.
  - Initiated clinical epidemiology training and consulting services for clinical residents, fellows, and graduate students from other departments of health sciences and medicine.
  - Tutored in Problem-based Learning (PBL) sessions and health communication skills training sessions in the School of Medicine.
  - Received an appreciation award for educational and training efforts.

### **Instructor**

- Dokuz Eylul University, School of Medicine, Department of Public Health, Izmir, Turkey, 1997-1998
  - Participated in the organization of problem-based medical education in the School of Medicine and tutored in learning and communication skills training sessions.

- Introduced computer-based course on biostatistics for medical students and health professionals.
- Received excellence in mentorship award from medical students.

### **Research Assistant**

- Dokuz Eylul University, Medical School, Department of Public Health, Izmir, Turkey, 1993-1997
  - Four months after starting to his PhD education, he was invited to join the department as a full-time research assistant.
  - Participated in National Emergency Response and Preparedness team activities and responded in various national disasters in Turkey.
  - Attended to Andrija Štampar School of Public Health, Zagreb, Croatia summer school as The Kingdom of the Netherlands public health scholar.
  - Participated in various population-based studies including “Byssinosis prevalence among textile workers in Izmir” and “Prevalence of type I diabetes mellitus in Narlidere”.
  - Earned PhD in Public Health with a doctoral dissertation of “Solvent exposure and occupational health problems among shoemakers”.

### **Occupational Health Officer**

- Ozkul Textile Production Co., Izmir, Turkey, 1991-1993
  - Served as a primary care provider for 600 workers.
  - Organized a series of labor education programs on occupational health risks of women, including management of maternity and childcare problems in occupational settings.
  - Demonstrated the cost benefit of occupational health services to the industry.
- Cay-Kur Tea-processing Co., Rize, Turkey, 1990-1991
  - Served as a primary care provider for tea processing workers in the region.
  - Introduced and organized occupational health services for the workers in tea-processing plants, the main agricultural and industrial resource of the district.
- Kutlutas (TR) - Dillingham (USA) Joint Venture Motorway Construction Co., Izmir, Turkey, 1988-1990
  - Served as a primary care provider for 1,500 workers laboring under strenuous working conditions.
  - Organized a series of labor education programs on occupational health risks, basic health problems, first aid, CPR, and prevention of communicable diseases.
  - Awarded three times for improved occupational health and safety conditions in the workplace.

### **Primary Health Care Practitioner**

- Limontepe Primary Health Care Center, Izmir, Turkey, 1991-1993
  - Provided primary care and public health services for the regional community of 10,000 living in the slums of Izmir, a western metropolis of Turkey.
- Guneyisu Primary Health Care Center, Rize, Turkey, 1990-1991
  - Provided primary care and public health services for the regional community of 12,000 living in the northeastern Turkey.
- Ovacik Primary Health Care Center, Erzurum, Turkey, 1986-1987
  - Provided primary care and public health services for the regional community of 6,000 living under severe conditions in the highlands of eastern Turkey.

### **Military Health Officer, Tekirdag, Turkey, 1987-1988**

- Provided primary care and public health services for armed forces.

- Organized a series of educational programs on basic public health issues such as communicable diseases, family planning, first aid, nutrition, and personal hygiene for soldiers at the base.

## **Professional development**

Selected professional meetings, training programs, and workshops attended:

- Harvard University, Derek Bok Center, Certification course on Higher Education 2020
- WHO, Project Management Center of Excellence, Certification Training, Istanbul, Turkey 2019
- WHO, RHP Steering Committee Meeting, Ankara, Turkey, 2019
- WHO Training on Health Information Security, Online 2019
- WHO Training on Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Online 2019
- ASPPH Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA 2015
- The Network: TUFH Annual Meeting, Fortaleza, Brazil, 2014
- ASPPH Leadership Retreat, Denver, CO 2014
- Public Health Approach to Incarceration, Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health, New York, NY 2014
- Advancement Resources Professional Fundraising Workshop for Deans, Department Chairs, and Aspiring Academic Leaders, Atlanta, GA 2013
- PAHO Workshop: Occupational Health in the Caribbean, The Bahamas, 2012
- American Public Health Association 140th Annual Meeting, San Francisco CA, 2012
- International Congress on Occupational Health 30th Meeting, Cancun, Mexico, 2012
- American Public Health Association 139th Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 2011
- American Public Health Association 138th Annual Meeting, Denver CO, 2010
- Caribbean Health Research Council 55th Annual Conference, Port of Spain, Trinidad 2010
- American Public Health Association 137th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia PA, 2009
- Caribbean Epidemiology Center (CAREC) Annual Meeting, Port of Spain, Trinidad, 2009
- International Turkish Occupational Health Congress, Uludag University, Bursa, Turkey, 2008
- World Health Organization, STEPS Surveillance Program Regional Training Meeting, St. Lucia, 2008
- American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 2007
- International Health and Hospital Administration Congress, Cyprus, 2007
- NIH Regional Seminar, Durham, NC, 2007
- Eastern NC Communicable Diseases Workshop, Greenville, NC, 2007
- Workshop on Ethics in Public Health, University of Michigan, School of Public Health, MI, 2007
- Third Annual Jean Mills health symposium, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, 2007
- Judging grant proposals, workshop, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, 2006
- Grant fundamentals, postgraduate course, American Thoracic Society, San Diego, CA, 2005
- Control banding: validation and effectiveness, workshop, AIHA, WHO, Cincinnati, OH, 2004
- Exposure assessment strategies and statistics, Industrial and Management Systems Engineering Seminar, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV, 2003
- Advanced topics in exposure assessment, workshop, ACGIH, Rancho Mirage, CA, 2003
- Regression modeling in epidemiology research, course, CDC, Atlanta, GA, 2002
- Scientific ethics training, CDC/NIOSH, Morgantown, WV, 2002
- Speaking and writing about science, course, NIH, Bethesda, MD, 2001
- Principles and practice of cancer prevention and control, postgraduate course, NIH/NCI, MD, 2000
- Principles of industrial hygiene, course, The Johns Hopkins University, School of Public Health, MD, 2000

- Working with conflicts in developing countries, workshop, Woodbrooke Selly Oak College, Birmingham, United Kingdom, 1998
- Problem-based learning (PBL) and educational skills in medical sciences, “training for trainers”, Dokuz Eylul University, Izmir, Turkey, 1997
- Management of public health services in disaster situations, “training for trainers”, World Health Organization - Izmir, Turkey, 1993
- Planning and management of primary health care in developing countries, postgraduate summer school, Zagreb University, Andrija Štampar School of Public Health, and The Government of The Kingdom of the Netherlands, Zagreb, Croatia, 1994

## **Awards**

- Delta Omega Honor Society in Public Health; elected member of Gamma Kappa Chapter, 2015
- SGU, Student Government Association, Outstanding Faculty Award, 2013
- Grenada Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Appreciation Award for the Success of 2009-2012 UNDP Grenada Nutmeg Sustainable Agriculture and Land Management Project, 2012
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Bullard-Sherwood Research to Practice Award, for field epidemiology achievements, 2008
- American Public Health Association honorable mention student award for Ms. Kristin McIntosh on her study titled: “Predisposing factors related to adolescent sexuality among students in rural and urban school-based health centers in Eastern North Carolina” under the supervision of Dr. Elci, 2007
- ECU Division of Research and Graduate Studies 2007-2008 Research Development Award, 2007
- ECU Division of RDAP NIH regional Seminar Participation Award, 2006
- ECU Division of Health Sciences, Faculty Author Recognition Award, 2006
- Fogarty International Center, NIH Post-Doctoral Fellowship Award, 1999
- Dokuz Eylul University, Teaching Appreciation Award, 1998
- Andrija Štampar School of Public Health, Zagreb, Croatia and The Kingdom of the Netherlands Public health Scholarship award, 1994
- Kutlutas-Dillingham, Occupational Safety and Health Service Award, 1988-1990 (three awards)

## **Scholarly activities**

### **Academic/research interests**

- Global public health
- Epidemiology
- Occupational exposures and related health problems
- Health problems among minority workers, women, child workers and disadvantaged people
- Implementing problem-based learning techniques

### **Scholarships and Research Grants**

- Investigator: PI: Joyce Browne. CapAcity sTrenghening in Epidemiology and PUBLIC healTh: CATAPULT Project. Julius Center for Health Sciences and Primary Care University Medical Center Utrecht. NUFFIC (2020)
- Investigator: PI: Edwards ON. Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation through Sustainable Agricultural practices. UNDP (2015)
- Investigator: PI: Akpinar M Establishing Occupational Health and Safety Program in Nutmeg Industry. The Canadian High Commission Fund for Local Initiatives (2012)



- Investigator: PI: Radix R. Grenada School Nutrition Study: Evidence to Inform Policy, IDRC Grant, Project # 106884, October 2012 - September 2015
- Principal investigator: Reducing needle stick injury among healthcare workers. Regional Occupational Health Initiative WHO/PAHO, 2012.
- Investigator: PI: Akpinar M. Planning Grant for Chronic, Non-Communicable Diseases and Disorders Across the Lifespan. Small Research Grant, SGU, 2012.
- Investigator: PI: Akpinar M. Implementing Renewable Energy and Preventing Land Degradation: An Intervention in the Nutmeg Industry in Grenada. The UNDP Global Environment Facility/Small Grants Programme (UNDP/GEF/SGP) The same project received contribution from Grenada Nutmeg Cooperative Agency, 2009.
- Investigator: PI: Akpinar M. Occupational Health Problems among Nutmeg Factories Workers. Small Research Grant Initiative, SGU, SRGI-09006, 2009.
- Principal investigator: Identifying upper airways problems among agricultural growers and workers in Eastern North Carolina. ECU-RDAP, 2007.
- Mentor: PI: Grey-Swaby S. Preventing substance abuse among teenagers, Pitt Partners for Health, 2007.
- Investigator: PI: Ferguson TB. Network Clinical Care Partnership with Duke. Duke 2007-0072 01, 2006.
- Investigator: PI: Pitzalis MV. Optimization of heart failure patient management in rural North Carolina using a hub and spoke model: A novel strategy to improve quality of care and reduce costs, Brody Brothers, MT7751, 2006.
- Investigator: PI: Novick LF. Integrating population health into the medical school curriculum, CDC/AAMC #210712-665210-1100, 2006.
- Principal investigator: Testing the validity of two exposure assessment techniques, NIOSH intramural research grant #5927001S, 2004.
- Scholar: Workshop on Working With Conflicts In Developing Countries, Woodbrooke Selly Oak Colleges Scholarship, Birmingham, United Kingdom, 1998.
- Principal investigator: Solvent exposure and occupational health problems among shoemakers, Dokuz Eylul University Research Fund grant #0923.96.0.1.04,1996.
- Scholar: Planning and Management of Primary Health Care in Developing Countries, Zagreb University, Andrija Štampar School of Public Health, Zagreb, Croatia and The Government of The Kingdom of the Netherlands Summer School Scholarship, 1994.

### **Pro Bono Research Activities**

- Investigator: PI: Roberts D. Public Awareness of Land Degradation and Sustainable Land Management in Grenada. Funding Agency; Government of Grenada and Global Environment Facility, 2010.
- Investigator: PI: Dottin M. To promote sustainable farming in the constituency of North West St. George's Grenada. Global Environment Facility, 2010.

## Peer-reviewed publications

### Technical Project Reports

- Elci OC. Factors Affecting Employability of Syrian Refugee Healthcare Providers in Turkey. WHO, RHP, Turkey, 2021
- Elci OC, Kecik M, Ozkan S. Training Needs assessment for Noncommunicable Diseases Management in Refugee Health Centers in Turkey. WHO, RHP, Turkey, 2020.
- Zikusooka M, Elci OC, Inigo RL, Ozkan S, Yapar D, Napokoj k, Yaşar G. Assessing the health literacy and health communication needs of Syrian refugees in Turkey. WHO/IOM, Turkey, 2020.
- Wabyona E, Dogan BB, Ozcan A, Devaux I, Zikusooka M, Elci OC. COVID-19 Pandemic in Turkey: An assessment of readiness and impact on Refugees living in-camps. WFP/WHO, Turkey, 2020.
- Gokcora N. 2012-2016 Northern Cyprus Cancer Registry Report. (Contributor)
- Lemus FL, Elci OC. Public Health Workforce Development at UCM in Beira Moçambique: Towards an African based Public Health Workforce initiative. 2015

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- Akpınar M, Elci OC, Odabasi A. United airways disease among florists. *Chest Disease Reports,* 2011; 1(10): 22-24
- Elci OC, Akpınar M, Siddiqui N. The concept of public health and its value in medicine. *The Grenada Medical Journal,* 2011; 3 (1): 19-21
- Elci OC, Akpınar M. Occupational exposures and laryngeal cancer among nonsmoker, nondrinker men. *International Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health.* 2009, 15:370-3.
- McIntosh KH, Moore JB, Elci OC, Predisposing factors related to adolescent sexuality among students in rural and urban school-based health centers in eastern North Carolina. *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice.* 2009, 15: E16-22

- Akpınar M, Yucesoy B, Elci OC, Weismann D.N. Noninvasive assessment of cytokines in occupational respiratory diseases. *Recent Patents on Inflammation and Allergy Drug Discovery*, 2007, 1:100-107. (Invited review)
- Elci OC, Akpınar M. The trend of small cell lung cancer among young men. *Lung Cancer*, 2007, 57:34-36.
- Elci OC, Yener G, Ucku R. Occupational factors, peripheral neuropathy, and depression among shoemakers in Turkey. *Indian Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health*, 2007, 11:9-14.
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### **Invited and oral presentations**

- Elci OC, Health Literacy: Why it is important? National Health Day Conference, Lokman Hekim University, Faculty of Medicine, Ankara, 2019 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC, Global health workforce capacity needs and strategies for Africa. Global Health Conference, Boitekanelo College, Gaborone, Botswana, June 2015 (keynote speaker)
- Akpınar M, Bidaisee S, Durgampudi P, Radix R, Elci OC. Needle-stick injury prevention training among health care workers in the Caribbean. APHA, New Orleans, LA, November 2014
- Elci OC, Transforming the Future Through Public Health Training: Grenada Nutmeg Case. The Network: Towards Unity for Health Annual Conference, Ayutthaya Thailand, Nov 2013 (keynote speaker)
- Akpınar M, Coomansingh K, Mark L, Elci OC. Bush Burning Practice And Related Respiratory Symptoms Among Households In Grenada, The Caribbean. ATS, Philadelphia, PA, May 2013
- Akpınar M, Elci OC, Situational Analysis and Assessment of Occupational Safety and Health in the Caribbean. Occupational Health and Safety in the Caribbean: Regional Planning Meeting, Nassau, The Bahamas, December 2012 (oral)

- Martin F, Elci OC, Hage R, Akpınar M. Climate Change, Saharan Dust and the Emergency room visits due to asthma in Grenada. ATS, Denver Colorado, May 2011 (oral)
- Akpınar M, Bidaisee S, Peters S, Byonanibye J, Elci OC. Occupational Health Problems Among Nutmeg Production Workers: A case from Grenada, The Caribbean. American Public Health Association 138th Annual Meeting, Denver, CO November 6-10, 2010 (oral)
- Elci OC. Interdisciplinary collaboration in Public Health: A research model for laryngeal cancer, University of Trinidad and Tobago, Trinidad and Tobago, June 23, 2009 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC, Wilson JL, Akpınar M. Spatial association of occupational and environmental exposure factors and respiratory cancers in the US. American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting, Washington DC November 3-7, 2007 (oral)
- Wilson JL, Elci OC, Kirk DA. Exploring and regionalizing geographic distributions of rare causes of mortality. American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting, Washington DC November 3-7, 2007 (oral)
- McIntosh KH, Moore JB, Novick LF, Elci OC. Predisposing factors related to adolescent sexuality among students in rural and urban school-based health centers in Eastern North Carolina. American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting, Washington DC November 3-7, 2007 (oral, awarded)
- Elci OC. The importance of public health education in health management planning. International Health and Hospital Management Conference June, 1-6, 2007, Nicosia, Cyprus (scientific committee member, session chair, and invited speaker)
- Elci OC, Akpınar M. Occupational exposures and laryngeal cancer among non-smoking men. American Occupational Health Conference May 5, 2007, New Orleans, LA (oral)
- Elci OC, Akpınar M, Odabasi A. Occupational rhinitis and conjunctivitis among florists. American Occupational Health Conference May 5, 2007, New Orleans, LA (oral)
- Elci OC. Occupational and environmental history taking: collecting effective anamnesis data on occupational and environmental background. Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Grand Rounds. Greenville, NC April 16, 2007 (invited speaker)
- Campbell DT, Elci OC, Kerkering TM. Community-Based HIV/AIDS Workshop for Rural African American Women: SISTA TALK (Sisters Informing Sisters on Topics of AIDS to Take Action to live with Knowledge). March 28, 2007 ECU Research and Creative Achievement Week, Greenville, NC (oral)
- McIntosh KH, Moore JB, Novick LF, Elci OC. Predisposing factors related to adolescent sexuality among students in rural and urban school-based health centers in Eastern North Carolina. March 28, 2007 ECU Research and Creative Achievement Week, Greenville, NC (oral)
- Elci OC. Occupational exposures and larynx cancer: a model for exposure-outcome relationship. Department of Environmental Health Lecture. Greenville, NC March 7, 2007 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC. Scientific reading starter kit. BSOM-ECU Division of Cardiology Lecture. Greenville, NC July 12, 2006 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC. How laryngeal cancer changed the course of history: the unfortunate story of Dr. Morell Mackenzie. Medical History Interest Group Meeting. Greenville, NC October 23, 2006 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC. Public Health Perspective for Environmental Health. Department of Environmental Health Lecture. Greenville, NC October 25, 2006 (invited speaker)
- Tyson GH, Rodriguez E, Elci OC, Koutlas TC, Chitwood WR, Ferguson TB, Kypson AP. Cardiac Surgery in Patients with Body Mass Index  $\geq 45$ : Outcomes and Long-term Results in the Super Obese. Southern Thoracic Surgical Association Meeting, Tucson, AZ November 10, 2006 (oral)

- Ersahin C, Celik IB, Elci OC, Yavuz I, Li J, Hu G. A Simple model for air flow and particle motion inside the human larynx. ASME Heat Transfer/Fluids Engineering Summer Conference, Charlotte, NC, July 11-15, 2004 (oral)
- Elci OC, Akpınar M. Occupational exposures and the risk of laryngeal cancer. CDC, NIOSH, DSHEFS Seminar Series, Cincinnati, OH, September 19, 2003 (invited speaker)
- Elci OC, Enright P, Odencrantz J, Simoes E, Kullman G, Wagner GR, Kreiss K. Pulmonary function decrease in popcorn production workers: One-year follow-up. 99th International American Thoracic Society Congress, Seattle, WA, May 16-21, 2003 (oral)
- Akpınar M, Stemple KJ, Elci OC, Dweik RA, Kreiss K, Enright P. Exhaled Nitric oxide measurement in microwave popcorn production plant workers. 99th International American Thoracic Society Congress, Seattle, WA, May 16-21, 2003 (oral)
- Elci OC. Workshop: "Occupational risk assessment at the workplace," International Congress of Public Health, Istanbul, Turkey, October 8-12, 2000 (invited speaker, workshop tutor)
- Elci OC, Dosemeci M, Blair A. Occupations and the risk of laryngeal cancer in Turkey. International Congress of Public Health, Istanbul, Turkey, October 8-12, 2000 (oral)
- Dosemeci M, Elci OC. Occupations and the risk of renal tract cancer in Turkey. International Congress of Public Health, Istanbul, Turkey, October 8-12, 2000 (oral)
- Elci OC Human rights violations and public health: A sample of Burma (Myanmar). 2nd National Public Health School: "Human Rights, Medical Ethics and Public Health," Izmir, Turkey, October 5-9, 1996 (oral, workshop tutor)

### **Poster presentations**

- Radix R, Scribner R, Sothorn M, Noel T, Macpherson C, Elci OC. Building Local Research Capacity to Examine Obesity and Overweight in Grenada. SGU Research Day 2014
- Akpınar M, Bidaisee S, Thomas-Purcell KB, Elci OC. Occupational Health and Safety Train the Trainer Program in a Nutmeg Production Plant in Grenada, The Caribbean. APHA, San Fransisco, CA October 2012
- Akpınar M, Giganti M, Radix R, Elci OC. Prevalence Of Chronic Respiratory Disease Over Time In Grenada, The Caribbean, ATS, San Fransisco, CA May 2012
- Akpınar M, Durgampudi PK, Bidaisee S, Peters S, Elci OC. Relationship Between Job Satisfaction and Occupational Health among Nutmeg Production Workers in Grenada, The Caribbean. APHA, Washington, DC, November 2011
- Akpınar M, Day G, Bidaisee S, Cox-Ganser J, Peters S, Elci OC. Occupational Exposure and Respiratory Health Problems among Nutmeg Production Workers in Grenada. ATS, Denver Colorado, May 2011
- Richards C, Akpınar M, Roopnarine R, Keku E, Elci OC. Environment related respiratory health problems among veterinary students at St George's University. American Public Health Association 138th Annual Meeting, Denver, CO November 6-10, 2010
- Akpınar M, Bidaisee S, Peters S, Elci OC. Respiratory Health Problems among Nutmeg Processing Workers. American Thoracic Society Congress, New Orleans, May 2010
- Akpınar M, Weikart DK, Abrokwah ME, Elci OC. Are we missing important clues? "United Airways Disease" among Farmers. American Thoracic Society Congress, San Diego, CA, May 15-20 2009
- Pitzalis MH, Elci OC, Little NR, Akpınar M, Mayo A, Jones GL, Simmons S, Novick LF, Cascio WE. How to overcome gender and race disparities in heart failure management: The Hub and Spoke Heart Failure Project. 3rd Annual Jean Mills Health Symposium, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC, February 9, 2007

- Akpınar M, Elci OC, Fedan K., Enright P.L. FEV6 as a surrogate for FVC in detecting airways obstruction and restriction. 99th International American Thoracic Society Congress, Orlando, FL, May 23-26, 2004
- Bowen RB, Rappaport SM, Elci OC, Harper M. Self-assessment of exposure: tool for evaluating control banding. 2nd International Control Banding Workshop: Validation and Effectiveness of Control Banding, Cincinnati, OH March 1-2, 2004
- El-Ghormli L, Gridley G, Dosemeci M, Moradi T, Elci OC. Risk for male breast cancer in relation to occupational physical activity and other exposures: A nationwide cohort study in Sweden. NIH Research Festival, Bethesda, MD, Oct. 14-17, 2003
- Enright PL, Elci OC, Kreiss K, Deubner D, Wagner G. Analysis of FEV1 trends in workplace screening. European Respiratory Society 13th Annual Congress, Vienna, Austria, Sep. 27- Oct 1, 2003
- Akpınar M, Elci OC, Odabasi A. Prevalence and risk factors of occupational asthma among florists in Turkey. EPICOH on epidemiology in occupational health, Barcelona, Spain, Sep. 10-14, 2002
- Elci OC, Akpınar M, Blair A, Dosemeci M. Laryngeal cancer and occupational exposure in Turkey, EPICOH on epidemiology in occupational health, Barcelona, Spain, Sep. 10-14, 2002
- Elci OC, Akpınar M, Dosemeci M. Lung cancer cell type varies by age at diagnosis among Turkish men. 98th International American Thoracic Society Congress, Atlanta, GA, May 17-22, 2002
- Hoppin JA, Dosemeci M, Elci OC, Alavanja MCR, Sandler DP. Estimating Pesticide Exposure Intensity for Farm Spouses in the Agricultural Health Study. Tenth Annual Meeting of the International Society of Exposure Analysis, Monterey, California, Oct. 24-27, 2000
- Coble JB, Engel L, Elci OC, Hoppin JA, Dosemeci M, Alavanja MCR. Occupational Exposures Among Pesticide Applicators In The Agricultural Health Study: Grain Dusts, Welding Fumes, Solvents, and Other Hazards. Tenth Annual Meeting of the International Society of Exposure Analysis, Monterey, California, Oct. 24-27, 2000
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- Cimrin AH, Akpınar M, Elci OC. Occupational allergic status in animal feed workers. World Asthma Meeting, European Respiratory Society, Barcelona, Spain, Dec. 1998
- Elci OC, Amato Z, Yener G, Topuzoglu A. Occupational health problems of shoemakers in Turkey. International Symposium: "From Protection to Promotion, Occupational Health and Safety in Small-scale Enterprises," Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, Helsinki, Finland, May 4-6, 1998
- Elci OC, Bilgin AC. Occupational Health Issues in National Collective Worker Agreements. 3rd National Congress on Occupational Health, Ankara, Turkey, Apr. 20-23, 1998
- Elci OC, Amato Z. Smoking and peripheral neuropathy among shoemakers. Smoking and Health National Congress, Istanbul, Turkey, Nov. 7-8, 1997
- Elci OC, Yener G, Topuzoglu A. Peripheral neuropathy among shoemakers: A Field Study. 33rd National Congress of Neurology, Antalya, Turkey, October 24-28, 1997
- Karababa AO, Sacaklioglu F, Amato Z, Durak I, Elci OC, Ucku R, Soyer A. Turkish Medical Association Public Health School on Management of Health Care In Disaster Situations. 6th International Conference of Disaster Medicine and Technological Exhibition of Medical and Logistic Equipment for Disaster Situations, Budapest, Hungary, Nov. 3-6, 1996
- Zencir M, Elci OC, Ucku R, Cimrin A. Prevalence of byssinosis among textile workers. Annual Congress of European Respiratory Society, Stockholm, Sweden, Sep. 7-11, 1996
- Fidan D, Elci OC, Aksakoglu G. Filling the gaps of conventional approach. Field education in Dokuz Eylul University School of Medicine. The Association of Medical Schools in Europe 1996 Meeting, University of Granada, Spain, Sep. 5-7, 1996

- Musal B, Ucku R, Ergin S, Elci OC. Quality Oriented Man Power in Primary Health Services. Symposium on Total Quality Management in Primary Health Services, Ankara, Turkey, Nov. 24-25, 1995

## **Academic, Professional and Community Activities**

### **Academic**

- Member of the AUW's New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) Accreditation Board 2020-2021
- Member, Ethical Review Committee, School of Medicine, Lokman Hekim University 2018-2019
- Member, Academic Quality Assurance Committee, Lokman Hekim University, 2018-2019
- Member, Committee on School of Medicine Admission of St. George's University 2011-2015
- Advisor for Grenada Ministry of Health, WHO/STEPS Chronic Disease Surveillance Program 2009-2011
- Advisor for WHO Non-Communicable Diseases Global Planning Committee, Geneva, Switzerland 2011
- Chair, St. George's University DPHPM Graduate Affairs Committee 2008-2009
- Member, St. George's University DPHPM Research and Service Committee 2008-2009
- Member, Scientific Committee International Health and Hospital Management Conference June 2007, Nicosia, Cyprus
- Member, East Carolina University Teaching Grants Committee, 2007-2008
- Member, North Central University Department of Business and Technology Management PhD Committee for Clarissa Singletary PhD Dissertation: Factors Effecting the use of Telemedicine by Physicians in Eastern North Carolina. Defended on 2008
- Member, West Virginia University Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering PhD Committee for Cem Ersahin. Dissertation: Aerosol Generation and Entrainment Model for Cough Simulation" Defended on March 16, 2007
- Member, East Carolina University Brody SOM Family Medicine Executive Committee 2006-2007
- Chair, East Carolina University MPH Admission Committee 2006-2008
- Member, East Carolina University MPH Curriculum Committee 2006-2008
- Member, East Carolina University MPH Executive Committee 2006-2008
- Member, East Carolina University MPH Evaluation Committee 2006-2008
- Coordinates MPH program web page re-designing activities 2006-2007
- Member, West Virginia University Ph.D. in Public Health Curriculum Committee, 2004-2006
- Member, Dokuz Eylul University Problem-Based Medical Education Group, 1997-1999
- Member, The organization committee of "International Symposium on Occupational Asthma and Byssinosis," 1996
- Member, The organization committee of The Second National Public Health School on Public Health, Medical Ethics, and Human Rights, 1996

### **Professional**

- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety Section, 2020 -
- Member of the WHO Health Emergencies Programme, Emergency Task Force for Ebola, 2019-2020
- Member of the Board of Directors, Global Health Through Education, Training, Service (GHETS) 2012-current
- Member of the Global Health Committee, Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH) 2013-2018
- Editorial Board Member, Journal of Global Health Research, 2018-present
- Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Health and Nutrition, 2010-present



- Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Collaborative Research on Internal Medicine & Public Health (IJCRIMPH), 2010-present
- Editorial Board Member, Turkiye Klinikleri Journal of Medical Sciences, 2010-2015
- Executive Board Member, The Network - Towards Unity for Health 2014-2015
- Member, Caribbean Chronic Disease Consortium (CCDC), 2010-2015
- Trainer for SGU medical and health personal on sample collection, quarantine, and isolation of Swine Flu, 2009
- Advisor, Grenada Ministry of Health WH/STEPS Chronic Disease Surveillance Program, 2009-2015
- Reviewer and expert consultant, Department of Labor, O\*NET Data Collection Program, 2007-2010
- Associate editor, Journal of Public Health Management and Practice, 2006-2008
- Member, Association for Prevention Teaching and Research, Research Priority Group, 2006-2008
- Member of the Occupational Epidemiology Committee of American Industrial Hygiene Association, 2003-2005
- Member, NIOSH Control Banding Team, 2003-2005

### **Community**

- Member, Grenada National Zika Virus Preparedness Committee, 2015
- Member, Grenada National Swine Flu preparedness Committee, 2009
- Chairman, Caribbean Youth Volunteer Services Advisory Board, 2009-2010
- Organizer and Tutor: Basic Field Epidemiology Training for Grenada Food & Nutrition Council Practitioners. June 2009
- Chair of the Advisory Board, Caribbean Youth Volunteer Assembly, June 2009-2015
- Organizer and Tutor: Basic Field Epidemiology Training for Grenada the Ministry of Health. October 2008
- Member, Grenada Ministry of Health STEPS Planning Committee 2008-2012
- Collaborator and advisor for Pitt County Local Organizing Committee (LOC) on community-based public health and education activities. 2006-2008
- Lecturer in WHO/European Union organized programs on primary health services organization in Turkey, 1994-1996
- Member of the Disaster Response Group, 1995-1999. Responded to Dinar earthquake in October 1995, Izmir flood disaster in November 1995, and Adapazari - Izmit earthquakes, in August 1999

### **Professional affiliations**

- Workplace Health Without Borders (WHWB)
- Global Health Through Education Training and Service (GHETS)
- Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH)
- The Health Workforce Advocacy Initiative (HWAI)
- American Public Health Association (APHA)

### **Hobbies**

- Aviation, US FAA IFR Certified Private Pilot
- Wildlife, camping, hiking, traveling

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