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Personal Information

Date of Birth: December 21, 1976

Place of Birth: Pogradec, Albania

Nationality: Albanian

Education

PhD in Otorhinolaryngology (ENT)

University of Tirana, Faculty of Medicine

Defended: 2022

Thesis: "Voice in Professional Singers"

Research focused on the evaluation, diagnosis, and management of voice disorders in elite vocal performers, with emphasis on functional and organic conditions affecting classical and contemporary singers.

Residency in Otorhinolaryngology (ENT)

University of Tirana, Faculty of Medicine – Department of Otolaryngology (2003 – 2007)

Specialized in medical and surgical management of ENT conditions, including audiology, phoniatrics, rhinology, and otologic surgeries.

General Medicine Degree

University of Tirana, Faculty of Medicine (1995 – 2001)

Graduated as a General Physician with clinical rotations in all major medical specialties.

Professional Experience

ENT Specialist – Policlinic of Specialties No. 3, Tirana (2010 – 2015)

Provided comprehensive ENT care to outpatients, with a focus on diagnostics, treatment of chronic ear/nose/throat conditions, and minor procedures.

Managed complex cases referred by general practitioners and collaborated with speech therapists for vocal rehabilitation.

ENT Specialist – Universal Hospital Tirana (2007 – 2010)

Practiced advanced otolaryngologic diagnostics and surgeries in a private hospital setting.

Developed protocols for ENT emergencies and participated in multidisciplinary case discussions.

Lecturer in Human Anatomy – University of Tirana, Faculty of Medicine (2007 – 2009)
Taught gross anatomy and clinical correlations to undergraduate medical students.
Actively involved in curriculum development and student assessments.

Resident ENT Physician – UHC “Mother Teresa”, Department of Otolaryngology (2003 – 2007)

Rotations in otology, rhinology, head and neck surgery, and audiology.
Assisted in surgeries and conducted outpatient consultations under supervision.

Inspector of Pediatric Physicians – Tirana (2002 – 2003)

Monitored public pediatric healthcare services and ensured compliance with medical standards.

Evaluated performance and facilitated continuing education for pediatric physicians.

Family Doctor – Pogradec Regional Clinic (2001 – 2002)

Provided primary care services and early diagnostics to families and children.

Focused on preventive care and community health education.

Memberships & Affiliations

Member, Albanian Association of ENT Physicians (since 2006)

Member, Mediterranean Society of Otology and Audiology (since 2008)

Member, European Phoniatics Association (since 2012)

Languages

Albanian (Native)

English (Professional Proficiency)

Italian (Professional Proficiency)

Additional Specializations and International Training:

- Completed three advanced specialization programs in Otolaryngology and Voice Disorders in Vienna, Austria.

- Participated in two intensive ENT surgical technique workshops in Berlin, Germany.

- Attended two continuing medical education seminars focused on Phoniatics and Audiology in Istanbul, Turkey.