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EDUCATION

- 2008 – 2012** **Graduate Student (PhD)**, Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute
University of Manchester, Manchester, UK
- 2004 – 2008** **Undergraduate (BSc)**, Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics
Middle East Technical University, Ankara, TURKEY (Valedictorian; GPA:4.0/4.0)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2025 – ...** **ICREA Research Professor (Permanent)**, Catalan Institution for Research and Advanced Studies (ICREA), Barcelona, Spain
- 2017 – ...** **Group Leader**, Centre for Genomic Regulation (CRG), Barcelona, Spain
- 2013 – 2016** **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA
Mentor: Prof. Timothy J. Mitchison
- 2008 – 2012** **Graduate Student (PhD)**, Cancer Research UK Manchester Institute, Manchester, UK
Mentor: Prof. Iain M. Hagan
- 2007** **Summer Intern**, Massachusetts General Hospital, Neurogenetics Unit, Boston, USA
Mentors: Profs. Xandra O. Breakefield & Okay Saydam

AWARDS & HONOURS

- 2024** **European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) Gold Medal**
Awarded to young scientists for outstanding contributions to life sciences in Europe
- 2024** **The Banco Sabadell Foundation Award for Biomedical Research**
Recognizes young biomedical science researchers for their innovative work in Spain
- 2024** **International Society of Differentiation (ISD), Anne McLaren Award**
This award is given to outstanding mid-career developmental biologists by ISD.
- 2023** **Vallee Scholar Award**
1 of 6 early career investigators (world-wide) selected by the Vallee foundation.
- 2023** **Global Consortium for Reproductive Longevity & Equality (GCRLE) Pilot Award**
- 2023** **Sabri Ülker Foundation International Scholar Award**
The award is given annually to early-stage scientists with Turkish descent by Sabri Ülker Center, based in Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Boston, USA.
- 2023** **Finalist La Vanguardia Science Award**
An annual national competition recognizing outstanding scientific research in Spain by the popular La Vanguardia newspaper
- 2023** **Premi de Ciutat de Barcelona (Barcelona City Award)**
Awarded annually since 1949 by the Barcelona City Council for celebrating the creative and investigative work carried out in Barcelona.
- 2022** **ERC CONSOLIDATOR Grant “Active Dormancy”**
- 2021** **EMBO Young Investigator (YIP)**
1 of the 26 investigators selected to the EMBC*-wide programme in 2021
- 2018** **TOYP (Ten Outstanding Young Persons) Turkey**, Scientific Development
- 2017** **ERC STARTING Grant “Dormant Oocyte”**
- 2008 – 2012** **Cancer Research UK (CRUK) Full-Time PhD Scholarship**
- 2008** **Valedictorian**. Gave the commencement speech.
- 2004 – 2008** **Turkish Government High Merit Scholarship**
- 2004 – 2008** **University High Merit Scholarship** (57th among 1.8M high school students)