

PROF. DR. M. SÜHAN AYHAN

Prof. Dr. M. Sühan Ayhan, born in Ankara in 1969, graduated from Ankara University Faculty of Medicine in 1992 and completed his Plastic Surgery training at Gazi University in 1998. He then moved to Cleveland, USA, for a Microsurgery Research Fellowship at The Cleveland Clinic, focusing on composite tissue allotransplantation and peripheral nerve regeneration. Returning to Turkey in 2000, he joined Gazi University as an Instructor, became Assistant Professor in 2001, and later received the Stephen S. Kroll Scholarship on Perforator Flaps, training as a Clinical Fellow at the University of Gent, Belgium in 2002.

By 2004, Dr. Ayhan had earned the title of Associate Professor and later became a full Professor at the Department of Plastic, Reconstructive, and Aesthetic Surgery at Gazi University Faculty of Medicine in Ankara. Over the years, he has held various leadership roles, including serving as Vice-Head Coordinator in the Department of Medical Education and Head of the Clinical Skills Education Division. Since 2010, he has also maintained his own private practice, specializing in aesthetic and reconstructive surgery as well as minimally invasive aesthetic procedures.

Currently, Prof. Dr. Ayhan serves as the Head of the Department of Plastic, Reconstructive, and Aesthetic Surgery at Gazi University Faculty of Medicine since 2022.

Academic and Scientific Contributions

Dr. Ayhan is a highly respected academic, having authored or co-authored more than 85 international publications in leading peer-reviewed journals and over 45 publications in journals in Turkish language. His work has been cited nearly 1,500 times. He has contributed 7 book chapters, 1 book chapter translation, and 2 book translations.

He is an active member of several national and international professional societies, including:

- Turkish Society of Plastic, Reconstructive, and Aesthetic Surgeons (TSPRAS)
- Turkish Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (TSRM)
- Turkish Society for Wound Care
- European Association of Plastic Surgeons (EURAPS)

Dr. Ayhan has also held significant leadership roles in professional societies. He served as a Board Member of the Turkish Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (TSRM) (2006-2016) and the Turkish Society of Plastic, Reconstructive, and Aesthetic Surgeons (TSPRAS) (2008-2021). He was elected as President of TSRM (2014-2016) and later as President of TSPRAS (2018-2021).

Areas of Expertise

His clinical interests include reconstructive and aesthetic breast surgery, rhinoplasty and aesthetic surgery, post-oncologic and post-traumatic reconstruction.

His scientific research focuses on implant surface science, hypercoagulability in plastic surgery, peripheral nerve regeneration, flap survival and ischemia-reperfusion injury, composite tissue allotransplantation.

Additionally, Dr. Ayhan is deeply involved in medical education, particularly in clinical skills education and basic microsurgery training.

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