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Born in 1966, Adem Akçakaya graduated from Istanbul Şehremini High School in 1983. Later in 1990 he graduated from Cerrahpaşa Medical School followed by completion of his general surgery residency in Vakıf Gureba Education and Research Hospital. In addition to what mentioned, he got trained in various fields such as Endoscopy and ERCP departments from Istanbul School of medicine in addition to a master degree in biostatistics and demographics from the institution of Health Sciences in Cerrahpaşa Medical School in 1999. Further, he managed to earn his associate professor degree in 2007. In 2009, he did his master of science in Health and Hospital Management from Beykent University.

What is more, he got training in both Endosonography at Mayo Clinic in Rochester-Minnesota(2011), and kidney transplant from Kidney Transplant Center in Cerrahpaşa Medical School(2009-2011) as well as Transplantation Center at Yale University(2012) with a Laparoscopic live kidney transplant training in Erasmus University in Rotterdam(2012). Of a turning point for him to be mentioned here is his being appointed as a professor in Bezmialem Vakıf University in 2013.

He used to work as a Chief of General Surgery Clinic at Şişli Etfal Education and Research Hospital (2008-2012) and as Chief General Surgery Clinic at Vakıf Gureba Education and Research Hospital from 2009 to 2010. Also, he worked as a Deputy Director of Istanbul Provincial Health, in charge for Education from 2005 through 2008. In addition, he was appointed as a head physician in Okmeydanı Education and Research Hospital (2008-2012). Completion of this tenure, he worked as a General Coordinator of Bezmialem Vakıf Uni Hospital (2013-2016). Also, he has been working as a lecturer and surgeon of general surgery department, head of palliative care unit concurrently in charge for surgeon of kidney transplantation center at Bezmialem Vakıf University Medical Faculty hospital.

He is one of the pioneers in our country in palliative care studies. He has been studying in the field of palliative care and hospice in cancer since the deputy director of health. He attended many workshops and meetings organized by the health ministry. He organized conferences, workshops and courses with cancer patients and caregivers on palliative care and hospice (1 internationally participated symposium, 3 courses for healthcare workers, 2 voluntary training courses, 2 interdisciplinary meeting). He can be perceived in the editorial and advisory board of many national and international medical publications. He is prolific for having a lot of international and national scientific publications and citations in SCI. He established palliative care units in Okmeydanı Education and Research hospital and Bezmialem Vakıf University Medical faculty hospital.