



- Istanbul Kent University, President
- World Association of Perinatology Board Member
- International Academy of Perinatology Member
- Fetus as a Patient Society Board Member
- World Academy of Science and Arts Member
- Turkish Business Women's Association (TIKAD), Vice President

Prof. Kavak was born in Istanbul and graduated from Cerrahpasa School of Medicine in 1986. Following her board exam in 1987, she started on her residency at Zeynep Kamil Gynecology and Obstetrics Hospital. During 1990 and 1991, she worked at St. Thomas's Hospital / London, England towards her specialty training. She became an Associate Professor at Marmara University, School of Medicine in 1996. She worked at 2000-2001 King's College Hospital/London on Perinatology intermittently between 2000 and 2001. She acquired her Perinatology Residency at King's College Hospital, London. In 2001 she founded Perinatology Unit at Marmara University School of Medicine Hospital. The same year she became a professor and was appointed as the Head Physician of the Hospital. Between 2001 and 2005 she served as the Head Physician at Marmara University Hospital. Between 2002 and 2006 she acted as Marmara University's Assistant Chancellor. In 2002, she was elected as the Chair of the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department at Marmara University School of Medicine, and served in this assignment for two terms. She continued to serve as the Chair of the Perinatology Department from 2002 to 2012.

Prof. Kavak has published 72 articles in international journals, 105 articles in national journals, in addition to 11 assistancy theses completed under her consultancy and 98 international communiques. She has been invited to speak at 68 international meetings on perinatology in various countries around the world. She also holds seats on the editorial boards of numerous national and international scientific journals.

With her extensive works in Perinatology, Prof. Kavak is the first and only Turkish physician to be appointed secretary to the Board of World Association of Perinatology in September 2005, and still remains in this post. In October 2007, she was elected as a member of the International Academy of Perinatology, one of the most respected organizations in the field of Obstetrics. She is the first and only Turkish physician to become a member to this organization. She is a Board Member of Fetus as a Patient Society. Focusing her main field of research on the use of 3D-4D ultrasonography and invasive procedures during pregnancy, Prof. Kavak has co-written 8 international titles and edited many others. In April 2007, she was invited to teach as an adjunct professor at Cornell University in New York City. In 2004, she was elected as a member of the World Academy of Arts and Science, founded by Einstein

and Oppenheimer, and in 2008, she was elected as a member of the board of trustees of the same Academy. She is the first Turkish person elected to these positions.

Prof. Kavak received “Marmara University Excellence Award” in 2000, “Marmara University Encouragement and Support Award” in 2001,2002 and 2004, “Health Award of the Year” of Siyaset Magazine in 2002, “Bravest Woman of the Year” award of Kültür University in 2004, International Lions Club Award for “Outstanding Service in Medicine” and “Melvin Jones Award” in 2006, “Contribution to Society Award” of Süleyman Demirel University in 2006, “Woman Scientist of the Year Award” in 2006, and Hello Magazine “Diamond Heart Award ” in 2008. TIKAD (Turkish Business Women’s Association), where she serves as vice president, obtained the “the Award of Excellence” of the “Turkish Grand National Assembly (TBMM) in 2006. In October 2007, she was elected as an Honorary Member to Romanian Perinatology Society. She acquired “Excellence Award in Medicine” (given in honor of March 8, World Women’s Day) by the Lyons Clubs in 2008. She was named as one of the top 10 women of Turkey by Milliyet newspaper on March 8, 2008. She was granted the Honorary Award by Istanbul Lyons Clubs and Samsun Chamber of Commerce on March 8, 2013. On March 8, 2015, she was awarded as “Woman Scientist of the Year” by Aysha Magazine. She achieved Woman Super Achiever Award at 4th World Women Leadership Congress&Summit on February 17, 2017 in Bombay, India. She was awarded “Best Hospital and Best Hospital Manager of 2016 Awards” in London by EBA (European Business Assembly) Oxford. Prof. Kavak obtained “Social Awareness Honor Award” by Çekmeköy 2023 Magazine in April 2017. In July 2017 she was given “European Quality Award” during Leader’s Summit in Lucerne, Switzerland. Prof. Kavak acquired “Public Service Architecture” and “Public Service Interior” awards on behalf of Academic Hospital in European Property Awards/London in October 2017.

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