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 Boğaziçi University , İstanbul, Turkey	September 2002 – July 2006
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HONORS AND AWARDS

- Excellence in Research Award, Boğaziçi University Foundation (BÜVAK), Turkey, 2022.
- Outstanding Reviewer Recognition, Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP), 2020.
- The Turkish Science Academy Young Scientist Award (TÜBA-GEBIP), Turkey, 2019.
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PUBLICATIONS

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