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# Highlights

- Works well under pressure
- Exceptional interpersonal skills
- Highly responsible and reliable
- competent in spotting search topics

# Education

**PhD** in pediatric physical therapy • (Oct 2011- Jun 2015) • Cairo University, Egypt

*Thesis title: "Calf Muscle Strength and Standing Efficiency in Children with Spastic Diplegia".* 

*MSc* in pediatric physical therapy • (Oct 2008- Jun 2011) • Cairo University, Egypt

Thesis title: "Modulation of Muscle Tightness by Manual Stretching in Children with Spastic Cerebral Palsy (A Systematic Review)".

**BSc** in physical therapy with grade "excellent with honor" • (Oct 2001- Sep 2005) • Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, Egypt.

# Experience

#### Academic Experience:

• Assistant professor in pediatric physical therapy, College of Applied Medical Sciences- Shaqra, Shaqra University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. (11/4/2023present)

• Senior lecturer (faculty staff member) in pediatric physical therapy department, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, Egypt. (27/7/2015- present)

• Visiting senior lecturer (faculty staff member) in Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University, Egypt. (1/ 9/ 2018- 9/4/2023)

• Assistant lecturer in pediatric physical therapy department, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, Egypt. (7/8/2011-26/7/2015)

• Demonstrator (teaching assistant) in pediatric physical therapy department, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, Egypt. (20/5/2007- 6/8/2011)

# Experience (Cont'd)

#### **Clinical Experience:**

• Manager of The Pediatric Outpatient Clinic in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University. (Mar 2022- Apr 2023)

• Consultant at The Pediatric Outpatient Clinic in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University. (Sep 2018- Apr 2023)

• Consultant in General Physical Therapy Syndicate in Egypt, (#622), (Jun 2017- present).

• Senior physical therapy specialist in pediatrics at The Outpatient Clinic in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University. (Jun 2011- Aug 2018)

• Owner & manager of Elnahhas Pediatric Physical Therapy Center at 39 King Faisal St. - Giza- Egypt. (Apr 2011- Jul 2018)

• Pediatric physical therapist at The Outpatient Clinic in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University. (Jun 2008- Jun 2011)

• Sports physical therapist in The Egyptian Armed Forces Sports Authority & Tala'ea El Gaish Sporting Club. (May 2007- Jun 2008)

- Pediatric physical therapist at El-Negmy Clinic, Heliopolis, Egypt. (May 2005- Mar 2011)
- Physical therapist at Cairo University Hospitals, Egypt. (Nov 2005- Oct 2006)

#### Memberships:

• Member in the Council of the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Nov 2019- Apr 2023).

• Member in Student Affairs & Education Committee, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Oct 2018- Apr 2023).

• Member in exam control & preparation for level 2 BSc physical therapy, (2018-2019) & level 5 BSc, (2021-2023), Horus University.

• Member in the Council of Pediatric Physical Therapy Department, Cairo University, (2017-2018) & Horus University, (2020-2023).

• Corresponding Member in the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM), (#36634), (2016-2017).

• Member in the Research Committee of Pediatric Physical Therapy Department, Cairo University, (2015-2017).

- Member in General Physical Therapy Syndicate in Egypt, (2007- present).
- Member in Research Fund Committee, Horus University in Egypt, (Aug 2022- Apr 2023).
- Member in The Research Ethical Committee, Horus University in Egypt, (Jan 2023- Apr 2023).

• Member in Student Book Revision Committee, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Aug 2022- Apr 2023).

# Experience (Cont'd)

#### Administrative Positions:

- Coordinator of Pediatric Physical Therapy Department, Horus University in Egypt, (Oct 2020- Nov 2023).
- Manager of The Pediatric Outpatient Clinic, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Mar 2022- Apr 2023).
- Head of exam control & preparation for level 2 BSc physical therapy, Horus University, (Oct 2019- Oct 2021).
- Manager of "International Projects & Scholarships Center", Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Oct 2019- Feb 2020).
- Head of Continuous Education Program for The Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Sep 2018- Jul 2022).
- Head of Library Committee, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University in Egypt, (Sep 2018- Apr 2023).

### **Personal Skills**

- Computer Skills
- Good Reseacher
- Accreditation Skills
- Patient Assessment

# **Publications**

#### Published papers in peer-reviewed journals:

• <u>Elnahhas, A. M.</u>, Elshennawy, S., & Aly, M. G. (2019). Effects of backward gait training on balance, gross motor function, and gait in children with cerebral palsy: a systematic review. *Clinical Rehabilitation*, 33(1), 3–12. https://doi.org/10.1177/0269215518790053

• Abdel Rahman, S. A., <u>Elnahhas, A. M.</u>, Ahmed, D. I. E. (2019). **Effect of whole-body vibration on bon e density in children with Down syndrome: a systematic review.** *International Journal of Recent Adva nces in Multidisciplinary Research*, 6(9), 5234-5238.

• Olama, K. A., <u>Elnahhas, A. M.</u>, Rajab, S. H., Nour El din, S. M. (2019). Effect of universal exercise unit on balance in children with spastic diplegia. *International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research and Development*, 6(1),85-88.

• Samaam, M. N., Elnegmy, E. H., <u>Elnahhas, A. M.</u>, & Hendawy, A. S. (2018). Effect of prolonged smartphone use on cervical spine and hand grip strength in adolescence. *International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research and Development*, 5(9),49-53.

• <u>Elnahhas, A. M.</u>, El-Negmy, E. H., & El-Azizi, H. M. (2014). **Calf muscle strength and standing efficiency** in children with spastic diplegia. *Trends in Applied Sciences Research*, 9(9), 503-511.

#### Master Theses Supervision:

- Student/ Marina Nabil Samaan, Thesis title: **"Effect of prolonged smartphone use on cervical spine and hand grip strength in adolescence"**, Faculty Council approval: 15/ 10/ 2017, Discussed: 29/ 9/ 2018.
- Student/ Samaa Hussein Rajab, Thesis title: **"Effect of universal exercise unit on balance in children with spastic diplegia"**, Faculty Council approval: 19/ 11/ 2017, Discussed: 18/ 6/ 2019.
- Student/ Dina Ibrahim Elsayed, Thesis title: **"Effect of whole-body vibration on bone density in children with Down syndrome: (systematic review)"**, Faculty Council approval: 13/6/2017, Discussed: 30/11/2019.

#### **Ongoing Master Theses Supervision:**

- Student/ Aya Adel Mahmoud, Thesis title: **"Effect of treadmill training on balance in children with cerebral palsy (a systematic review)"**, Faculty Council approval: 13/ 6/ 2017.
- Student/ Fady Nagy Farid Rofela, Thesis title: **Effects of plyometric exercises in children with cerebral palsy: a systematic review**, Faculty Council approval: 19/ 1/ 2023.

# National and international conferences

- The 1<sup>st</sup> Scientific Conference of Pediatric Physical Therapy Department in Horus University entitled "Current Evidence in Pediatric Physical Therapy", participated as a speaker of a scientific lecture: "Effects of backward gait training on balance, gross motor function, and gait in children with cerebral palsy", Horus University, New Damietta City, Egypt, (24 / 5/ 2022).
- 2. The 2<sup>nd</sup> scientific conference of physical therapy "No more Disability with Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation", participated as a speaker of a scientific lecture: "NEW TRENDS IN MOTOR LEARNING FOR CEREBRAL PALSY", Cairo, Egypt, (11 / 12/ 2020).
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Scientific Conference of the Physical Therapy Department at the National Institute of Neuromotor System, under the title of "Fostering the Future Rehabilitation of Cerebral palsy", participated as a speaker of a scientific lecture: "BENEFITS OF BACKWARD GAIT TRAINING FOR CEREBRAL PALSY", Giza, Egypt, (28 / 2/ 2019).
- 4. Scientific meeting of pediatric physical therapy department, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, (15/ 4/ 2018).
- 5. The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual conference of orthopedic department, National Institute of Neuromotor System, under the title of "Pediatric Ankle & Foot Deformities", Giza, Egypt, (15-16/ 2/ 2018).
- 6. The 17<sup>th</sup> international scientific conference, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, under the title of "Empowering Disability", Cairo, Egypt, (10-11/ 3/ 2016).
- 7. The 16<sup>th</sup> international scientific conference, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, under the title of "No More Disability", Cairo, Egypt, (5-6/ 3/ 2015).
- 8. The scientific congress of the department of physical therapy for disturbance of growth & development in children & its surgery, under slogan "Pediatric Physical Therapy under Quality Assurance System", Cairo, Egypt, (3/ 12/ 2008).

### Workshops

#### Courses/ workshops attended related to teaching skills:

• Essentials of Integrated Education, from The Faculty and Leadership Development Centre (FLDC), Cairo University, (17-18/12/2022).

- University Teacher Support Seminar "Active learning and ICT-enhanced teaching in higher education", Faculty of Engineering, Ain Shams University, funded by Erasmus+ Programme, Speaker: Joan-Tomàs Pujolà, University of <u>Barcelona</u>, (25/ 7/ 2019).
- Effective Teaching Skills, from FLDC, Cairo University, (10-11/ 1/ 2018).
- Procedures for Producing Electronic Courses, by Electronic Learning Center, Cairo University, Egypt, (19-21/ 4/2016).
- Quality standards in teaching, from FLDC, Cairo University, (2 3 /1 / 2016).
- Preparation of An Electronic Course, Cairo University Center for Quality Assurance of Education, Egypt, (29/ 11/ 2015).
- Use of Technology in Teaching, from FLDC, Cairo University, (12-14/1/2013).
- Credit Hour System, from FLDC, Cairo University, (30/1-1/2/2012).
- Student Evaluation, from FLDC, Cairo University, (11-13/1/2011).
- Recent Trends in Teaching, from FLDC, Cairo University, (24-26/ 5/ 2010).

Courses/ workshops attended related to research skills:

- Systematic searching in Embase: using PICO to identify relevant results for Evidence-based medicine, at Elsevier Life Science Solutions, Presented by Harpreet Shah, PhD, Solution Marketing Manager Embase, (8/ 7/ 2020).
- Scientific Writing, by Prof. Dr. Hussein Elsubagh (Professor of Pharmaceutical Chemistry– Faculty of Pharmacy– Mansoura University), session was held at Horus University in Egypt, (5/9/2019).
- Egyptian Knowledge Bank (EKB), by Dr. Mahmoud Elkhoudary (lecturer of analytical chemistry-Faculty of Pharmacy), session was held at Horus University in Egypt, (5/9/2019).
- Statistical Analysis of Bio-Experiments, from FLDC, Cairo University, (28-29/8/2017).
- Arabic & English editing in scientific research, from FLDC, Cairo University, (10-11/4/2017).
- Research Ethics, from FLDC, Cairo University, (4-5/5/2016).
- Reference management system (EndNote Program), by Dr. Ahmed Youssef, Training Unit, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, (16/ 4/ 2015).
- Statistical Data Analysis Using SPSS, from The Institute of Statistical Studies & Research, Cairo University, Egypt, (8/ 12/ 2012- 12/ 1/ 2013).
- International Publishing of Research, from FLDC, Cairo University, (7-9/5/2012).

• How to Compete for a Research Fund, from FLDC, Cairo University, (22-24/12/2008).

Courses/ workshops attended related to professional skills in specialty (pediatric physical therapy):

- Paediatric Orthopaedic Review Course, from The Egyptian Orthopaedic Association, Kasr Al-Ainy Conference Center, Egypt, (26,27/ 5/ 2022).
- Skills in dealing with persons with disability, by Dr. Ahmed Elomary (lecturer of special education, Cairo University), symposium was held at Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University (4/ 3/ 2018).
- Managing Children with Cerebral Palsy, by Physiopedia, (October 2016).
- Adaptive seating system in neuro-motor impairment, by Prof. Dr. Mohamed Tag (pediatric orthopedic surgery), Cairo University, Egypt, (1 / 6 /2016).
- Orthotic management of lower limbs in neurological conditions, by Dr. Ehab Waly, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, Egypt, (8-9 / 3 / 2016).
- New Trends in Physical Therapy Management for Brachial Plexus Injury, National Institute of Neuro-Motor System, Egypt, by Prof. Dr. Emam El-Negmy (PhD, University of Southampton), (17/12/2015).
- Neuro-developmental Technique (NDT), National Institute of Neuro-Motor System, Egypt, by Prof. Dr. Kamal Shoukry (PT, PhD, Cairo University), (16/ 11/ 2015).

- New trends in pediatric rehabilitation, National Institute of Neuro-Motor System, Egypt, by Prof. Dr. Kamal Shoukry (PT, PhD, Cairo University), (12/ 10/ 2015).
- Therapeutic management from infancy to adulthood in individuals with neuromotor impairments, by Mrs. Estelle Brown (NDT PT, <u>South Africa</u>), Mrs. Shelley Broughten (NDT OT, <u>South Africa</u>) & Dr. Ehab Waly (PhD PT, NDT PT), (21-22/ 3/ 2015).
- Intensive Pediatric Physical Therapy, from the <u>American</u> PediaSuit<sup>™</sup> Protocol & Therapies4kids, (20-24/2/2010).

Courses/ workshops attended related to general professional skills:

- Intelligent Robotic Rehabilitation, organized by: Smart Medical Solutions Company, workshop was held at Horus University in Egypt, (15/3/2023).
- Basic Medical Skills, by Dr. Lashin Saad (lecturer of medical physiology, Mansoura University), workshop was held at Horus University in Egypt, (February 2021).
- Critical Thinking, from The Faculty and Leadership Development Centre (FLDC), Cairo University, (5-6/10/2020).
- Measurements of Infection Control, by Prof. Dr. Mohamed El Farash (Professor of Microbiology & Immunology, Mansoura University), session was held at Horus University in Egypt, (5/ 9/ 2019).
- Basics of Nerve Conduction Study & Electromyography, by Prof. Dr. Ann Abdel Kader (Professor of clinical neurophysiology, Cairo University), workshop was held at National Institute of Neuro-Motor System, Egypt, (28/ 2/ 2019).
- Lower extremity assessment: Biomechanical perspective, by Prof. Dr. Osama Ragaa Abdelraouf, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, (16-17/9/2015).
- Differential Diagnosis of the Upper Quadrant, by Prof. Dr. Samir Sabbahi (PT. PhD), Cairo University, (24/ 8/ 2006).
- New Trends in Applied Pharmacology and The Interaction Between Medications and Physiotherapy Modalities, by Dr. Ahmed Ibrahim Aboulsoud, Faculty of Pharmacy, Al-Azhar University, (19-23/ 8/ 2006).
- The First Aid Basic Training Course, from the Egyptian Red Crescent & Faculty of Medicine, Cairo University, (15-19/ 8/ 2006).
- Cupping Therapy, by Dr. Ahmed Mohamed El-Shewy (PT, PhD, Cairo University), (2005).
- New Trends in Obesity Management, by Dr. Mamdouh Gabr Hagag (PT, PhD, Cairo University), (2005).

Courses/ workshops attended related to management & leadership skills:

- Strategic planning, from FLDC, Cairo University, (2 3 /9 / 2015).
- Legal & Financial Aspects in University Environment, from FLDC, Cairo University, (18-20/ 1/ 2010).
- Time and Conference Management, from FLDC, Cairo University, (23-25/ 6/ 2008).

Courses/ workshops attended related to communication & interaction skills:

- Conference Organization, from FLDC, Cairo University, (7-9/5/2013).
- Effective presentation skills, from FLDC, Cairo University, (24-26/ 11/2012).
- Code of Ethics in University Environment, from FLDC, Cairo University, (23-25/ 8/ 2011).
- Communication Skills, from FLDC, Cairo University, (22-24/6/2009).

Courses/ workshops attended related to computer skills:

- Fundamentals of Digital Transformation Certificate (FDTC), from Center of Knowledge & E-Services, Supreme Council of Universities, Egypt (Nov 2022).
- ICDL, syllabus version: 4.0 (1/ 6/ 2011).

#### Workshops (presented):

- "How to Request Free Original Textbooks for Faculty Members", Horus Univ. (7 / 8 / 2022)
- "Appraising Evidence About Intervention", Horus Univ. (17/8/2021)
- "Research Validity", Horus Univ. (2, 9/ 8/ 2021)
- "Efficient Search in PEDro Database", Buraydah Colleges, KSA. (14/11/2020)
- "Efficient Search in Physiotherapy Evidence Database (PEDro)", Horus Univ. (14-28/10/2019)
- "Selecting the Best Resources for Physical Therapy Education", Horus Univ. (4 / 9 / 2018)
- "Systematic Review" Workshop, Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University. (28/11/2015)
- "Orthotic Prescription for Cerebral Palsy", Cairo University. (3 / 4 / 2017)
- "Physical Therapy for Congenital Muscular Torticollis", Cairo University. (29/ 4/ 2018)
- "Physical Therapy for Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip", Cairo University. (29/ 4/ 2018)
- "Physical Therapy for Congenital Knee & Foot Deformities", Cairo University. (6 / 5 / 2018)

# **Teaching Experience:**

#### Under-graduate Courses:

- Participation in curriculum development, teaching & supervision of "Evidence Based Practice in Physical Therapy- BAS 5158" & "Physical Therapy for Pediatrics- PED 5263" for 5<sup>th</sup> year BSc students at Horus University in Egypt. (2021- 2023)
- Participation in curriculum development, teaching & supervision of "**Motor Development &** Learning- PED 4250" for 4<sup>th</sup> year BSc students at Horus University in Egypt. (2020- 2023)
- Curriculum development, teaching & supervision of "**Tests & Measurements** BAS 2224" for 2<sup>nd</sup> year BSc students at Horus University in Egypt, this course includes manual muscle testing, goniometry, muscle length testing, limb length assessment & girth measurement. (2018- 2021)
- Participation in teaching & supervision of "Electrotherapy- BAS 2226" for 2<sup>nd</sup> year BSc students at Horus University in Egypt. (2018- 2019)
- Supervision of the practical sections of "**Biomechanics I (Gait Analysis)** BAS 2115" for 2<sup>nd</sup> year BSc students at Horus University in Egypt. (2018- 2019)
- Participation in preparation, teaching & supervision of "**Physical therapy for pediatrics** PT 513" for 5<sup>th</sup> year BSc students, Cairo University. (2017- 2018)
- Participation in teaching & supervision of "Physical therapy for pediatrics and pediatric surgery (40102)" & "Clinical training for pediatrics and pediatric surgery (40106)" for 4<sup>th</sup> year BSc students, Cairo University. (2009- 2018)

#### Post-graduate Courses:

- Participation in teaching "**Pediatric Rehabilitation** PED 607" course for MSc students, Cairo University. (2016- 2017)
- Coordinator of "Hospital Administration- PED 614" course for MSc students, Cairo University. (2016- 2018)
- Coordinator of the following courses at Cairo University: **Radiology** PED 613 (MSc), **Genetics** PED 603 (MSc), **Radiology** PED 509 (Diploma), **Neuroanatomy** PED 500 (Diploma). (2015- 2016)

# **Consulting Experience:**

- Consultant at **Pediatric Outpatient Clinic** in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Horus University, (Sep 2018- Apr 2023).
- Consultant in General Physical Therapy Syndicate in Egypt, (#622), (Jun 2017- present).

# Community service:

**Designing home programs** for children with physical disabilities in **Pediatric Outpatient Clinic** in the Faculty of Physical Therapy, Cairo University, (2008- 2018) & Horus University (2018-2023).

### Grants & Awards:

• Cairo University International Publication Reward (2019), Research ID: #3901.

# Honoring & Appreciation:

- Certificate of Appreciation, Horus University in Egypt, (Sep 2021).
- Certificate of Appreciation, Cairo University Staff Club, (Jun 2007).

### **Research interests:**

Evidence-based physical therapy, Pediatric physical therapy, Pediatric rehabilitation, Neurodevelopmental disabilities (especially; cerebral palsy), Motor learning, Physical therapy education.

# Scientific Journal Reviewing:

• Bulletin of Faculty of Physical Therapy, Article title: "Effect of Functional Electrical Stimulation Versus TheraTogs on Gait and Balance in Children with Hemiplegic Cerebral Palsy: A Randomized Controlled Trial", (Sep 2021).

• Bulletin of Faculty of Physical Therapy, Article title: "Neurophysiotherapy at The Primary Health Care Level: Perception of Public Health Physicians", (May 2022).