



**Prof. Dr. Jozef KESECIOĞLU**

Prof. Dr. Jozef Kesecioğlu is an internationally recognized expert in the fields of intensive care medicine, clinical ethics, patient safety, and health policy. Serving as a Professor of Intensive Care Medicine at Utrecht University in the Netherlands, Prof. Kesecioğlu has conducted extensive work throughout his career on strengthening critical care practices, improving ethical decision-making processes, and enhancing the quality of healthcare services. Following his medical education, Prof. Kesecioğlu specialized in the field of intensive care, dedicating his clinical practice to the management of high-risk critically ill patients, mechanical ventilation applications, organ support therapies, and the development of multidisciplinary intensive care processes. At the University Medical Centre Utrecht (UMC Utrecht), acting in both clinical and academic capacities, he has played an active role in restructuring the institution's intensive care services, advancing clinical standards, and modernizing professional education programs. Prof. Kesecioğlu's research interests encompass the core components of critical care: patient safety culture in intensive care, quality of care indicators, ethical approaches in clinical decisionmaking, cost-effectiveness analyses in intensive care, and the formulation of national intensive care policies. Within this framework, he has led projects aimed at improving capacity utilization, performance measurement, and quality standards of intensive care units across Europe and has been actively involved in various initiatives conducted with the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM). His scientific productivity extends beyond clinical research, notably gaining distinction for his work on improving ethical decision-making mechanisms in intensive care medicine. Themes such as end-of-life decisions, communication with families, the impact of digital recording systems on patients, ethical dilemmas faced by intensive care specialists, and patient rights constitute a significant portion of his research. These studies are among the reference resources contributing to the development of ethical standards in intensive care medicine. Prof. Kesecioğlu has held active leadership roles in international intensive care communities for many years. He served as the President of the ESICM and has been a long-standing member of its executive board, contributing to the harmonization of intensive care services in Europe, the advancement of educational standards, and the updating of clinical practice guidelines. He has supported the development of intensive care literature by serving as a reviewer for numerous international journals. Furthermore,

his work in the field of health policy has contributed to strengthening the position of critical care within national health systems. His areas of expertise include the sustainability of intensive care capacity, the response capacity of health systems during periods of crisis (pandemics, disasters), and evidence-based policy development processes. Today, Prof. Dr. Jozef Kesecioğlu continues his academic endeavours as one of Europe's leading intensive care specialists, continuing to shape intensive care medicine with a perspective centred on ethical approaches, patient safety, and quality.