

Technical Review Panel Member

Curriculum Vitae

Name: Asma El Sony

Nationality: Sudanese

Additional languages: Arabic (native speaker) English, understands Russian

Expertise: Tuberculosis and Public Health

Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Department	Year
PhD	University of Oslo, Norway	International Health	2005
DTCD	Cardiff University	Respiratory Medicine	1980
MD	Moscow 2nd Medical Institute	Not applicable	1975

Employment History

Employer	Position	Place	Year
Epi-Lab	Head scientific Activities	Khartoum	Since 2014-Todate
Various, mostly: - World Health Organization Geneva and EMRO - USAID (via	Free Lancer Consultant /Reviewer	Nepal, East Timor, South Africa, Egypt, Algeria, Morocco, Malawi Ethiopia, South Africa, Benin, India, Kenya,	2006 ongoing

Consultancy agencies) - The UNION -NORAD -Caritas Norway -Coordinator the Horn of Africa Initiative (HATCI) (2005-2008) WHO AFRO & EMRO for Yemen, Kenya, Uganda, Sudan, Djibouti, Eritrea and Ethiopia. who.int/hq/1999/WHO-EM_TUB_220_E_L.pdf		Thailand, Oslo, Vietnam, among others	
Federal Ministry of Health	TB Program Manager Senior Consultant- Department of Respiratory Medicine Shaab Teaching Hospital	Sudan	1999-2008
University of Juba	Lecturer	Juba	1981-86

Relevant Publications

1. Prevalence and risks of tuberculosis multimorbidity in low-income And middle-income countries: a meta-review Alexander Jarde ,1 Eugenia Romano,2 Saima Afaq,3,4 Asma Elsony,5 Yan Lin,6 Rumana Huque ,7 Helen Elsey ,1,8 Kamran Siddiqi ,1,8 B Stubbs,2 Najma Siddiqi BMJ Open 2022;12:e060906. doi:10.1136/bmjopen-2022-060906
2. A Global Respiratory Perspective on the COVID-19 Pandemic: Commentary and Action Proposals Teresa To, Giovanni Viegi, Alvaro Cruz, Luis Taborda-Barata, Monica Asher, Digambar Behera, Kazi Bennoor, Louis-Philippe Boulet, Jean Bousquet, Paulo Camargos, Claudia Conceição, Sandra Gonzalez Diaz, Asma El-Sony, Marina Erhola, Mina Gaga, David Halpin, Letitia Harding, Tamaz Maghlakelidze, Mohammad Reza Masjedi, Yousser Mohammad, Elizabeth Nunes, Bernard Pigearias, Talant Sooronbaev, Rafael Stelmach, Ioanna Tsiligianni, Le Thi Tuyet Lan, Arunas Valiulis, Chen Wang, Sian Williams, Arzu

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6. The Global Asthma Report (GAR) 2018, Global Asthma Network (GAN) Innes Asher, Nils Billo, Karen Bissell, Chiang Chen-Yuan, Philippa Ellwood, Asma El Sony, Luis García-Marcos, Javier Mallol, Guy Marks, Neil Pearce, David Strachan.
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9. Essential Medicines at the National Level: The Global Asthma Network's Essential Asthma Medicines Survey 2014 Karen Bissell, Philippa Ellwood, Chen-Yuan Chiang, Asma ElSony, Christophe Perrin Innes Asher Nils Eric Billo, Guy B Marks, UNSW Sydney, February 2019, *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 16(4):605, DOI: [10.3390/ijerph16040605](https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph16040605).
10. Calling time on asthma deaths in tropical regions—how much longer must people wait for essential medicines? December 2018, *The Lancet Respiratory Medicine* 7(1)DOI: [10.1016/S2213-2600\(18\)30513-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/S2213-2600(18)30513-7),Innes Asher, Karen Bissell, Chen-Yuan Chiang, Asma ElSony, David Strachan.
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17. The Global Asthma Network rationale and methods for Phase I global surveillance: prevalence, severity, management and risk factors Philippa Ellwood 1, M. Innes Asher1, Nils E. Billo2, Karen Bissell3,4, Chen-Yuan Chiang4,5,6, Eamon M. Ellwood1, Asma El-Sony7, Luis García-Marcos8, Javier Mallol9, Guy B. Marks10, Neil E. Pearce11 and David P. Strachan12 Eur Respir J 2017;49:1601605
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Additional Information: El Sony has led and contributed work, published Public Health Action (PHA), the Lancet, the International Journal of Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (IJTLD), Elsevier Journals, PubMed Central (PMC), the WHO Bulletin among other-reviewed journals in the discipline plus chapters in 3 books, with a 4th in press.

Professor El Sony has published nearly 70 articles and delivered dozens of papers and lectures internationally, a number, of which are keynote addresses. She has a paper writing strategy that will deliver a series of publications from the 700,000 portfolio, of, MRC, LHL, WHO, GF, NORAD funded projects. Professor El Sony has initiated and been attached to collaborating research groups in various countries Egypt, Algeria, Morocco, Malawi Ethiopia, South Africa, Benin, India, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and Sudan.

El Sony served as academic supervisor for a large number of Master and PhD students from Africa, Japan, Norway, East Tumor, Saud Arabia, Canada and the United Kingdom

AWARDS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

- 2017: Received Princess Chichibu Memorial TB Global Award
- 2015: Awarded honorary Membership of UNIONs of Scientific Activities
- 2013: Awarded honorary doctorate in the in Science in from Ahfad University for Women
- 2006: Awarded “Eminent Scientist of the year 2006” by the International Research Promotion Council Sudan

Relevant Info:

Chair the rMDR Committee for WHO EMRO Region, 2016-2018 Led a number “Joint External TB Monitoring Mission for EMRO and Globally”.

- Co-Chair Technical Advisory Committee/Global Drug Facility GDF/WHO Geneva 2011-2016.
- Co-Chair Technical Advisory TB Reach 2012-2015.
- Led the Technical Review of Melinda Gates Foundation/Malawi/UNION project aimed to significantly reduce childhood deaths from pneumonia currently an expanded evidence-based project with embedded Oxygen Production and Delivery.
- Technical Assistance for HLSP/Mott MacDonald House London: Led the desk review and selection process for the Global Fund Technical Review Panels 2010.