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1. **Short bio:**

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| Dr. Sungsoo Chun is a Professor and Associate Director of the Institute of Global Health and Human Ecology at the American University in Cairo (AUC), where he also serves as Director of the Sustainable Development Program. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from Sahmyook University and completed both his Master of Public Health and Ph.D. in Public Health at Seoul National University in Korea. Following his doctoral studies, he was a Visiting Scholar at the Harvard School of Public Health, contributing to the Harvard College Alcohol Study.Before joining AUC, Dr. Chun held leadership and faculty positions at several academic and development institutions, including appointments as Dean of the Graduate School and Dean of the Graduate School of Health Science and Welfare at Sahmyook University. He also served as Director of the Center for Addiction Science Specialties and the Korean Institute of Alcohol Problems. His work spans academia, international NGOs, and UN agencies.Dr. Chun’s research has taken him across the globe, conducting international comparative studies in countries including the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Sweden, Ireland, Scotland, Vietnam, Thailand, China, Taiwan, New Zealand, Ecuador, Pakistan, and Kuwait. He is the national lead for the International Alcohol Control (IAC) Study and serves as Executive Director of the Global Supercentenarian Cohort Network Study (GSCNS).In addition to academic roles, Dr. Chun has served to the World Health Organization as an Advisor and as a Policy Adviser for Health with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Kuwait for four years before joining AUC.Dr. Chun has been recognized with several honors, including the Outstanding Faculty Award from Sahmyook University (2002), inclusion among the “33 Men of Ability in Modern Korea” (2009), and recognition as one of the “100 Hope Givers” by NewsPeople magazine the same year.His interdisciplinary expertise bridges public health, health analytics, health policy, pandemic preparedness, and global health governance, with a continued commitment to teaching, research, and professional service. |

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