

To

The Chairman of the Scientific Jury,

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of the Rector of University "Asen Zlatarov" Burgas

Opinion

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By order RA 87/19.3.2020 of the Rector of University "Asen Zlatarov" Burgas, announced in the State Journal of Republic of Bulgaria 13/14.2.202), I have been included in the scientific jury for the competition for academic position "Professor", field of higher education 7, Health and sport, professional direction 7.1 Medicine, Scientific specialty "Internal diseases".

The only candidate in the competition is Assoc. Prof. Iliya Dimitrov Popov.

Assoc. Prof. Popov was born in 1959. After completing his medical education, he worked in a dialysis center, and later on for a long period, he was engaged mainly in managerial and administrative activities in various establishments. Later and to date, he has been included as a clinician-nephrologist at University Multiprofile Hospital "Prof. Dr. St. Kirkovich." He has scientific and teaching activity in the Thracian University-Medical College and FOZ, and since 2016, he has been a lecturer at the Medical College and Faculty

of Public Health and Health Care – University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov" Burgas. He holds 2 specialties - internal diseases and nephrology.

Scientometric Criteria:

Assoc. Prof. Popov has defended NOSE "Doctor" on the topic "Involvement of the infection of helicobacter pylori in gastric pathology in patients with CRF on hemodialysis".

He is participating in the competition with a habilitation monography "Chronic Kidney disease and microbiota", Litera print AD, Stara Zagora, 2019, ISBN: 978-954-487-166-6, 120 pages. The work analyzes the importance of microbiota in the digestive tract in patients with CKD. The book has a practical and scientific value.

Assoc. Prof. Popov is a co-author of the monograph "Osteoporosis - distribution and prevention", TRAKIA OOD, 2019 ISBN: 978-954-9374-14. In it, the authors analyze the state of the art and scientific advances regarding osteoporosis, its prevention, fraction risk and its non-pharmacological response.

15 publications were submitted for review. Of these, 7 are in leading journals, with 3 of them having an impact factor. 8 of the publications are in unreferenced, but peer-reviewed journals.

The candidate's scientific activity includes 15 presentations in different forums in the country and abroad. Of these, 8 have been published with abstracts in world-famous databases.

The main direction in which the candidate has developed his studies is related to various specialties and pathologies in internal medicine, such as osteoporosis, chronic kidney disease, kidney failure, dialysis, the importance of some micro elements, as well as a casuistic description.

In addition to the materials for the competition, there are works in progress related to the use of interactive training methods, building a summary network model, which describes the process of diagnosing diseases with the help of intelligent techniques, using the LOA Imaging for training in anatomy. They are related to the training in the disciplines of "Internal Diseases", "Nursing Care in Somatic Diseases", "Geriatrics" at University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov" Burgas, as well as for the training of students at the Medical College of TU-Stara Zagora.

Reference is made to 26 citations.

The candidate has participated in the research team of 2 projects in 2016.

Assoc. Prof. Iliya Popov is the mentor of two doctors specializing in nephrology.

Conclusion:

Based on the above data, I confirm that the candidate Assoc. Prof. Iliya Dimitrov Popov meets the minimum requirements and conditions for the occupation of the academic position "Professor" in "Internal Diseases" according to the RRACAB, its Rules of Procedure for application, and the Rules of Procedure of University "Prof. Asen Zlatarov" Burgas.

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