

POSITION

**On competition for taking an academic position of „Assoc. Professor”
in the scientific specialty “Social medicine and organization of healthcare and pharmacy”
for the needs of the “Pharmacy” department in the Medical college *Medical college*,
University „Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov “, Burgas,**
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Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov” University – Burgas

According procedure for taking an academic position “Assoc. Professor”: Higher education field– 7. Healthcare and sport, professional field – 7.4 Public Health, scientific specialty – Social medicine and organization of Healthcare and Pharmacy

For participation in the competition the only admitted candidate is Chief Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev, MPharm, PhD, lecturer in Medical college of Univerisy “Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov” – Burgas.

The submitted documents, in accordance to the Act on Development of The Academic Staff in The Republic of Bulgaria Implementing Regulations (ADTASRBIR), meet all the requirements for holding the specified position.

Brief biographical data

Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev was born on 21st April 1964 in the city of Burgas. He graduates a Master’s degree in pharmacy in 1989 in the pharmaceutical faculty of Medical University Sofia. In 1999 he acquires a specialty “Organization and economics of the distributary and pharmaceutical practice” in the Pharmaceutical faculty of the Medical University of Sofia and later the same year a second master’s degree in Business Administration.

In 2018 he acquires the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in the scientific specialty “Social medicine and healthcare management” in the National Center of Public Health and Analyses.

Since 2003 he has been selected as a visiting lecturer in the Medical college of Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov” University – Burgas. After entering a competition, he is appointed at the academic position of “Assistant Professor” since March 2018 and “Chief Assistant Professor” since 2019. He teaches in the subjects of “Social pharmacy and pharmaceutical legislation”, “Pharmaceutical care”, “Social medicine and health promotion”, “Ethics and deontology”, etc. He also participates in the examination commissions of semester and state exams of students majoring in "Assistant Pharmacist".

Chief Assistant Prof. Hristo Burgazliev has a rich and varied work experience, he was part of almost all structures of the pharmaceutical sector. He has held senior positions in the field of wholesale and retail trade in drugs, was director of the municipal enterprise Pharmacies Ltd.

Burgas. He has also held elected positions in professional organizations. He was Chairman of the Management Board of the Regional College and a member of the Quality Commission of the Bulgarian Pharmaceutical Union. He enjoys an excellent reputation in the professional, teaching and scientific circles not only in Burgas but also throughout the country.

Scientific and Research Works

The total publication activity of the candidate consists of **31** published scientific works и 5 in press. The scientific production of Hristo Burgazliev consists of 1 monograph, as a habilitation thesis, 5 publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information (1 in press); 7 reports published in non-peer-reviewed journals; 19 publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, 4 of which are in print; 1 study, published in the Yearbook of the Burgas Free University; 1 monograph on the dissertation thesis for acquiring the Educational and Scientific Degree "Doctor". Data for impact factor publications are lacking. I highly appreciate the publishing activity of Dr. Burgazliev.

The PhD thesis corresponds the scientific specialty of the competition. The reference for citations presented by the candidate shows 4 citations in non-peer-reviewed Bulgarian sources. I believe the minimum national requirements and scientometric indicators of the Regulations on the conditions and procedure for acquiring scientific degrees and academic positions (RCOASDAAP) at the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" Burgas are met.

The research activity of the candidate is in the following four fields:

1. History of pharmacy, where the candidate has lasting interests and significant contribution to the Burgas region and Bulgaria. The presented works contain theoretical, scientific and practical contributions to the history of pharmacy services in the Burgas region in the period after the Ottoman yoke to the present day. Hristo Burgazliev also analyzes the advantages and disadvantages of some forms of pharmacy services, as well as gives suggestions for overcoming the existing problems.

2. Pharmacovigilance – in six publications, the author discusses drug side effects and drug legislation that requires pharmacists to play an active role in preventing them. Emphasis in the publications in this direction is the importance of pharmaceutical care, as individual patient care for the prevention of adverse drug reactions that occur and accompany drug therapy.

3. Pharmacoeconomics – the applicant's publications, a total of 14 in the field of pharmacoeconomics, national drug policy, pharmaceutical management and pharmacy regulation are thorough and have a significant contribution based on his experience in this field.

4. Herbal Therapy–The candidate's interest in this field is summarized in the 315-page monograph - "**Herbs and Apparatus in Cosmetics**". In it, he co-authored the whole variety of medicinal plants and their application in cosmetics. This monograph has not only scientific but also applied value.

Evidence is presented for the participation of Chief Assistant Professor Burgazliev in 2 university research projects. I accept the presented report on the author's contributions, and I recommend that in the future there should be publications in English and in journals with an impact factor, in order to achieve wide citation and dissemination of scientific results.

Teaching activity

Chief Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev has the necessary pedagogical experience at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov"- Burgas and in particular at the Medical College. His academic work load *for the last three years is of a mean 288 lecturing hours*. Hristo Burgazliev participates in the teaching of medical and social, mandatory, elective and facultative disciplines to students majoring in "assistant pharmacist". He successfully handles lectures and practical exercises, seminars, and internships.

The reference for the scientific workload corresponds to the requirements of RCOASDAAP in the Prof. D-r. Assen Zlatarov" University – Burgas.

Conclusion

The opinion presented by me reflects the main research and teaching activities of Ch. Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev, PhD, who fully meets the criteria of ADTASRBIR, RCOASDAAP and the Regulations of the University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov" for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor".

Based on my positive assessment of the overall professional activity of Ch. Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev, PhD, I propose to the Honored Scientific Jury to award him the academic position of "Associate Professor" in Higher Educational Field 7. Healthcare and Sport, professional field – 7.4 Public Health, scientific specialty – Social medicine and organization of Healthcare and Pharmacy.

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Member of the scientific jury:

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