

POSITION

On competition for the appointment on the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the scientific specialty of "Social medicine and organization of healthcare and pharmacy" for the needs of the department of "Pharmacy", Medical college, Prof. D-r. Assen Zlatarov" University – Burgas, published in State Newspaper, issue 105 on 11Dec2020

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Internal member of the scientific jury, according to order №RD-31/05.02.2021 of the Rector of the Prof. D-r. Assen Zlatarov" University – Burgas, prof. d-r Magdalena Mitkova

Regarding the procedure for appointment at the academic position of "Associate Professor":

Higher education field—7. Healthcare and sport
Professional field—7.4 Public Health
Scientific specialty "Social medicine and organization of healthcare and pharmacy"

The only candidate is Chief Assistant Professor, MPharm Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev, PhD in medicine, lecturer at the Medical college of the Prof. D-r. Assen Zlatarov" University – Burgas,

Biographical data: Chief Assistant Professor, Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev graduates a master's degree specialty of the regulated professionals Pharmacy in 1989 in the pharmaceutical faculty of Medical University Sofia with summa cum laude on the state examinations. In the period 1996 until 1999 he specializes "Organization and economics of the distributary and pharmaceutical practice" In the pharmaceutical faculty of the Medical University of Sofia and in 01.06.1999 he is successfully "Specialist". Then he obtains a second master's degree degree In Business Administration professional qualification Master in Economics. 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 after he presents his dissertation work "Initiation and development in the pharmacy service in the Burgas region". He is chosen initially as a visiting lecturer in the Medical college of the Prof. D-r. Assen Zlatarov" University — Burgas in 2003.

After entering a competition, he is appointed at the academic position of "Assistant" 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

The working practice of Chief Assistant Professor Burgazliev is rich and various, it has gone through almost all the structures of the pharmaceutical sector. He has taken managerial appointments in the field of the wholesale and retail pharmaceutical business, in the period 1996 tp 2008 he is a responsible pharmacist and the General Manager of of the Community company – "Apteki" LTD Burgas, which served as a bright example for the development of the community pharmacies in Bulgaria for many years. Burgazliev MPharm has acquired significant experience and has taken several positions through elections in professional and branch organizations. His skills and positions as well as his managerial experience demonstrate as the chairman of the Governing council of the Regional Pharmaceutical Collegium and as a member of the quality committee of the Bulgarian Pharmaceutical Union. He has perfect reputation in the professional, teaching and scientific areas.

Scientific activity: In the current competition, Chief Assistant Professor Burgazliev participates altogether with 34 scientific publications. His scientific produce can be systemized as follows 5 publications and reports, published in scientific issues, referred and induced in worldwide databases with scientific information (1 still in printing); 7 reports, published in non-referenced magazines with scientific recension or published in redacted collective works; 19 publications in references magazines with scientific recension (5 still in printing); 1 studio, pblished in the Yearbook of the Burgas Free University, 1 monography in the form of a habilitation scientific work; 1 monography on the acclaimed dissertation work for acquiring the NSA PhD.

I accept the scientific production and highly appreciate the publishing activity of Dr. Burgazliev, as the percentage (2%) of articles in print can be explained by the difficult conditions of the COVID-19 pandemic in the last more than 1 year and the delay in publishing many scientific papers periodicals.

The dissertation for the acquisition of ONS "Doctor" is in the scientific specialty of the competition. Burgazliev works in co-authorship with leading researchers from the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy of Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski ", Burgas Free University, the National Center for Public Health and Analysis and the Medical University - Sofia. Our joint scientific production consists of a total of 4 articles (11.8%) which gives me reason to confirm that I know very well the scientific publications, interests and capacity of the candidate. The minimum national requirements and scientometric indicators of the Regulations on the terms and conditions for acquiring scientific degrees and holding academic positions at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas, (RCOASDAAP).

The scientific interests of Ch. Assistant Professor Burgazliev, can be structured into 4 fields. The leading one is the History of Pharmacy, where the candidate has lasting interests, serious achievements and a bright contribution to the Burgas region and Bulgaria. The presented works contain theoretical, scientific and practical contributions and summarize the results of historiographical studies on the functioning of the system of drug supply and pharmacy services in Bulgaria and in particular in the Burgas region in the period from the Liberation to the present day, analysis of critical moments, advantages and the shortcomings of some forms of pharmacy services, as well as a series of proposals to overcome the identified problems.

The next one is drug safety, because according to the author, medicinal products occupy a central place in modern disease therapy and in many cases have a life-saving effect. Along with their undeniable benefit, their use can cause side effects and drug legislation requires pharmacists to play an active role. The concept of pharmaceutical care as individual patient care is transposed into the understanding of detecting, analyzing, preventing and / or resolving drug-related problems arising from and accompanying drug therapy. Last but not least, the author's publications and research in pharmacoeconomics, national drug policy, pharmaceutical management and pharmacy regulation should be noted.

Evidence is presented for the participation of Ch. Assistant Professor Burgazliev in 2 university research grant projects and 5 positive citations. I accept the presented report on the author's contributions, recommending in the future a deeper focus in a selected research field, emphasis on research of regional and international peculiarities, publications in English and in journals with impact factor, in order to achieve wide citation and dissemination of scientific results.

Pedagogical activity: Ch. Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev has the necessary pedagogical experience and experience at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas and Medical College. For the last three school years his study workload is on average 288 students. hours / year. He participates in the teaching of medical and social, compulsory, elective and optional disciplines in EDI for the acquisition of a "professional bachelor" degree in students majoring in assistant pharmacist, he has experience in lecturing and leading practical exercises, seminars, internships and undergraduate internship. The report on the study load covers the requirements of RCOASDAAP of the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas.

There is evidence that the candidate has actively participated in the development and testing of curricula for students majoring in the specialty of assistant pharmacist.

I recommend his wider involvement in the teaching of medical and social disciplines to students from other specialties in order to use his experience, vision and knowledge in organizational and methodological and management sciences.

Overall assessment: The materials presented in the competition give me reason to believe that Ch. Assistant Professor Hristo Georgiev Burgazliev, PhD covers all basic and additional requirements for the academic position of "Associate Professor" at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas, according to RCOASDAAP and the Regulation for applying of LDASRB. The candidate has a diverse teaching and research activity, participates in the creation of curricula, is the author of scientific articles published in referenced national and international publications and has administrative and managerial experience.

The scientific developments and the doctoral dissertation are entirely in the field of the scientific specialty of the competition - Social medicine and organization of healthcare and pharmacy. Most of the publications are scientific and practical, explore regional features and are valuable for the development of the profession and the capacity of the university, which shows that the candidate is an established specialist in practice and has proven achievements in the field of medical and social.

Conclusion: As an internal member of the Scientific Jury of the announced competition, I believe that in terms of its research activities and scientometric indicators, the candidate meets the requirements of LDASRB. The dissertation for ONS "Doctor" in the scientific specialty of the competition and the scientific production of Ch. Assistant Professor Burgazliev is sufficient in volume. The presented list of publications shows that he continues to work very intensively in the chosen field and meets the criteria for holding the academic position of "associate professor".

According to LDASRB the scientific activity is a major criterion in the final assessment of the candidates of the scientific jury. Ch. Assistant Professor Burgazliev has all the necessary pedagogic experience and long practice. As far as the additional criteria are concerned according to RALDASRB I have a high assessment of the candidate.

All the above gives me reason to strongly recommend to the Honorable Scientific Jury to award the academic position of "Associate Professor" to the candidate. Ch. Assistant Professor Burgazliev, PhD.

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