

OPINION

**in a competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor"
in the scientific specialty "Pharmacology"
for the needs of the Department of Pharmacy
Medical College, University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov ", Burgas,
announced in SG, no. 105 of 11.12.2020**

from

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Internal member of the scientific jury, according to Order № RD-29 / 05.02.2021 of the
Rector of the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "- Burgas

**Regarding the procedure for holding the academic position "Associate Professor" in the
professional field 7.1. Medicine, scientific specialty "Pharmacology"**

**The only candidate for participation in the competition is Dr. Lyubina Racheva
Todorova, MD**

The submitted documents, according to PPZRASRB meet all the requirements for holding the
specified position.

Brief biographical data

Dr. Lyubina Racheva Todorova was born in 1967 in the town of Yambol, where she
completed her secondary education. In 1991 she graduated medicine at the Higher Medical
Institute, Stara Zagora (currently Thracian University, Faculty of Medicine, Stara Zagora).
Acquired a specialty in internal medicine in 1997. and clinical hematology in 2000. In 2018
she successfully defended her dissertation on "Pharmacological effects of pain: experimental,
clinical and regulatory studies" and obtained a scientific and educational degree "PhD" at
MU-Sofia. In the period from 1991-2001 she worked as an intern at the Hospital "St.
Panteleimon ", Yambol. Since 2001 she has held a number of positions in the Executive

Agency for Medicines - Sofia as: Chief Expert at the Biological Products Directorate; Director of the Transfusion System Control Directorate and Director of the Medicinal Products Authorization Directorate. She has various examinations acquired abroad, such as: IPFA (International Plasma and Fractionation Association) - Viral safety of blood and blood components; US Department of State (International visitors Program) Infectious Diseases and the HIV Pandemic; Paul-Ehrlich Institute, Langen (Hessen), Germany and training in the evaluation of medicinal product dossiers. She speaks English and French. Dr. Lyubina Todorova is a member of the Standing Committee on Medicinal Products of the European Commission (Standing Committee), she is also a member of the Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products of the European Medicines Agency. The candidate is a Member of the Transparency Commission of the Council of Ministers. She has successfully completed a research project in Pharmacology.

All this proves that Dr. Lyubina Todorova, MD is a distinguished specialist in practice with proven achievements in the field of Pharmacology.

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Research activity

The total publication activity of the candidate contains 23 scientific papers. The scientific production of Dr. Lyubina Todorova consists of:

-a monograph "Current aspects of pharmaceutical regulation", as a habilitation thesis, with practical and scientifically applied nature and significance;

-6 publications in indexed editions, in world-famous databases with scientific information (Scopus and Web of Science);

-17 publications in unrefereed journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes

According to the attached reference from the Central Medical Library - Medical University, Sofia, the total number of citations of the candidate so far are 20 Bulgarian citations. The reference in the SCOPUS database contains 137 citations, mostly from a publication that is included as part of the candidate's dissertation work.

The research activity of the candidate is in the following directions:

1. Drug regulation - in this direction are five of the publications and the monograph "Current aspects of pharmaceutical regulation".

2. Pharmacology of the nervous system - in this field the candidate has five scientific publications

3. Pharmacology of old age - three of the publications are in this field and analyze the peculiarities of the use of various drugs over 65 years of age

The article from 2021 is extremely relevant, which is published "New moments in drug regulation related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the risks of drug shortages"

All of the above makes me appreciate the scientific activity of **Dr. Lyubina Todorova, PhD, MD**, as extremely important with practical and scientific significance.

Conclusion

The opinion presented by me reflects the main research and teaching activities of Dr. Lyubina Todorova, MD, which fully meets the criteria of ZRASRB, PPZRASRB and the Regulations of the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov "for holding the academic position of" Associate Professor ".

Based on my positive assessment of the overall professional activity of Dr. Lyubina Todorova, PhD, MD, I **propose** to the Honored Scientific Jury to be awarded the academic position of "Associate Professor" in higher education 7. Health and Sports, professional field 7.1. scientific specialty "Pharmacology"

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Member of the scientific jury...

/Assoc. Prof. Antoaneta Stefanova Grozeva, PhD, MD/