

# OPINION

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of the Scientific Jury on the basis of Order № R-109-519/30.11.2023 of the Rector of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov"-Varna

regarding

**competition for holding the academic position "Associate Professor"**

in the field of higher education 7. Healthcare and Sports, professional direction 7.2. Dental Medicine, specialty "**Pediatric Dentistry**" - one full-time position for the needs of the Department of "Pediatric Dentistry", Faculty of Dental Medicine, Medical University-Varna,

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One candidate participates in the competition - Chief Assistant Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova, DMD, PhD, Department of "Pediatric Dentistry", Faculty of Dental Medicine, Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov"-Varna.

## **Presentation of the procedure**

The set of materials provided by the candidate includes all the necessary documents in electronic and paper format for participation in a competition for holding the academic position "Associate Professor". The candidate meets all the requirements of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (LDASRB), the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (LDASRB), the Regulations for the terms and conditions for acquirement of scientific degrees and holding academic positions at the Medical University - Varna, Order № R-109-519/30.11.2023 of the Rector of the Medical University - Varna.

## **Biographical data of the candidate**

Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova was born in 1980 in the town of Dobrich. She graduated her secondary education at the Foreign Language High School "Geo Milev" after accomplishment of an intensive five-year course of study in English and German languages. In 2005 she graduated at the University of Economics-Varna, specialty in International Finance. In 2011 Sirma Angelova graduated with excellent results at the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov"-Varna the specialty in Dental Medicine. In 2015 Dr. Sirma Angelova acquired the specialty in "Pediatric Dentistry". In 2017 Sirma Todorova Angelova successfully defended her dissertation on the

topic: "Assessment and Prevention of Caries Risk in Children with Some Kidney Diseases" and obtained the educational and scientific degree of "Doctor". Since 2011 she has worked as an Assistant, and since 2018 Dr. Angelova has been a Chief Assistant at the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. She successfully completed a qualification course of intensive specialized training in English and German languages, level B2, under conditions of the project "Creation of a modern system for the career growth of teachers" at the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov"-Varna.

### **Research activity**

The academic reference for the publications, citations and scientific profiles of Chief Assistant Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova, DMD, PhD was prepared by the Library of the Medical University-Varna, with output number: № 889/02.11.2023, in accordance with the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University-Varna.

The academic reference of Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova covers the requirements regarding the scientometric indicators for acquirement of the academic position "Associate Professor", field of Higher Education 7. Healthcare and Sports.

According to the academic reference, the candidate meets the scientometric requirements of the Indicator A1., namely a Dissertation work for the acquirement of the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" after a successful defence of a dissertation on the topic: "Assessment and Prevention of Caries Risk in Children with Some Kidney Diseases" (Varna: [S. Angelova], 2017; Language-Bulgarian; ISBN-COBISS.BG-ID-1283434468. (50 points)

The candidate meets also the scientometric requirements of the Indicator B3., respectively a Habilitation thesis - monograph: Angelova, Sirma Todorova. "Epigenetic and genetic aspects of oral health in children with pyelonephritis". Med. Univ. "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" 2019. ISBN: 978-619-221-201-8. (100 points)

Regarding the Indicator G7. Publications and reports published in scientific issues, referenced and indexed in worldwide reputed databases with scientific information, the candidate presents 8 publications. Dr. Angelova is the first or single author in 6 out of the total number of these 8 publications. (based on the Indicator G7. the result equals to 249.14 points)

Regarding the Indicator G8. Publications and reports published in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals or published in edited collective volumes, the candidate Sirma Angelova has presented 32 published works. She is the first or single author in 27 out of the total number of these 32 publications. (based on the Indicator G8. the result amounts to 756 points)

According to the indicator Citations, as an ascertainment of the scientific activity of the candidate, the academic reference includes a total number of 43 citations. Regarding the Indicator D10. Citations or reviews in scientific issues, referenced and indexed in worldwide renowned

databases with scientific information or in monographs and collective volumes, 12 citations are available. Regarding the Indicator D12. Citations or reviews in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals, a total number of 31 citations is presented. The total result based on both of these indicators, the Indicator D10. and the Indicator D12., equals to 335 points.

On the basis of Application IF of the submitted academic reference regarding the Impact Factor of the journals in which the candidate has publications, there is a total impact factor of 9.891.

Sirma Angelova has active scientific profiles in: Google Scholar, ResearchGate, ORCID.

In the context of the available documentation is presented the active participation of Dr. Angelova in national and international scientific forums. She is a member of a considerable number of scientific and professional organizations. Sirma Angelova takes active participation in Editorial Boards of scientific journals, as well as in organizational teams of international scientific forums.

### **Teaching activity**

Based on the provided papers, the teaching experience of Dr. Angelova involves a period of 12 years. She participates in the training of students from the Bulgarian language and English language educational program at the following disciplines: Propedeutics of Pediatric Dentistry, Clinics of Pediatric Dentistry, Dental Prophylaxis, with an average workload equal to 532.4 academic hours per year for a five-year period from Academic year 2018/2019 to Academic year 2022/2023.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova meets all the requirements of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - Varna for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor".

I will give a positive vote for holding of the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 7. Healthcare and Sports, professional direction 7.2. Dental Medicine, specialty "Pediatric Dentistry" - one full-time position for the needs of the Department of "Pediatric Dentistry", Faculty of "Dental Medicine", Medical University-Varna by Dr. Sirma Todorova Angelova.

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