

STATEMENT EVALUATION

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Subject: Competition for academic position "Associate Professor" in the field of the scientific specialty "Dermatology and Venereology" for the needs of the Board of Dermato-venereology, Faculty of Medicine at the Medical University - Varna and the Department of Skin and Venereal Diseases at the University Hospital "St. Marina" - Varna, declared in the State Gazette, issue No. 43/31.05.2019.

Based on an order of the Rector of the Medical University - Varna № R-109-240 / 26.07.2019 I was entitled as a member of the Scientific Jury (SJ) under the procedure for occupation of the academic position "Associate Professor" in the specialty "Skin and venereal diseases", with the only candidate Dr. Stoyan Ivanov Pavlov, PhD at the Medical University - Varna. By Minutes No 1 / 07.08.2019 from the first meeting of the scientific jury I have been appointed to write a Statement on the qualification of the candidate.

1. Professional development

Dr Stoyan Ivanov Pavlov was born on the 02.08.1964 in Varna, Bulgaria.

In 1988 he graduated from the Medical University of Varna with a medical doctor degree. He acquired specialist diploma in Dermatology and Venereology in 1995. He defended a PhD on "Vitamin D status and systemic inflammatory manifestations in patients with psoriasis vulgaris" in 2016, and I have been pleased to assess the dissertation and be part of the scientific jury. He has occupied the academic positions of assistant professor and senior assistant professor. Dr Pavlov has currently 29 years of professional experience in the field of Dermatology and Venereology and today is Head of the Department of Dermatology and Venereology, University Hospital "St. Marina" – Varna.

2. Scientific achievements

The candidate presents with the following scientific achievements:

- 1 PhD dissertation
- 1 monograph- habilitation paper of 164 pages on the current issues in the pathogenesis of the psoriatic disease (ISBN 978-619-221-085-4, published in Bulgarian by the Medical University in Varna in 2017
- 31 scientific articles, among which 3 publications indexed in Scopus and Web of science. Three of the publications are in relation with the PhD work. Eighteen of the papers are in English language (they are published in journals, which are present in Google Scholar and Index Copernicus). Dr Pavlov is first or only author in 13 publications and 1 monograph. According to the presented reference № 295 from 20.06.2019 issued from the library of the Medical University in Varna, the Impact Factor of the candidate is 1,437.
- Successful completion of a scientific project of the Ministry of Education and Science, National Fund for Scientific Research on “Clinical-experimental studies of two-component polymer systems” in the period 2000-2002.

3. Research interests and academic achievements .

The research interests of Dr Pavlov are in the following directions:

- Infectious dermatoses (incl. STIs) – syphilis, erysipelas, onychomycoses – 10 publications.
- Inflammatory and auto-immune dermatoses – 9 publications. The candidate evaluates the role of Vit, D as a risk factor for development of psoriasis, which represents a pioneer study in the country
- Dermatooncology – 3 publications
- Case reports – 5 publications

4. Citations

- According to reference № 297/20.06.2019 the candidate has 22 citations, 17 of which are in renowned international journals and 14 are in journals with IF. The most cited article is: Clayton T, Clark S, Britton J, Pavlov S, Radev S. A comparative study of the Children’s Dermatology Life Quality Index (CDLQI) in paediatric dermatology

clinics in the UK and Bulgaria. Journal of the European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology, 2007; 21(10):1436-1437 – cited 10 times.

5. Educational experience.

Dr Pavlov has over 23 years of teaching experience and has been educating medical students, residents in dermatology and Venereology and general practitioners. For the last 5 years he has 1140 hours of teaching (according to reference № 112-137/20.06.2019)

6. Diagnostic and treatment experience

Dr Pavlov is a well-known dermatologist with more than 29 years of clinical experience and has a deserved place among the respected specialists in the area. He has mastered all the routine diagnostic and treatment procedures and has additional qualification in dermato-surgery, dermatohistopathology, mycology and others.

In conclusion, after careful evaluation of the academic development, scientific achievements and the educational activities of the candidate, I consider that Dr Pavlov completely responds to all the mandatory criteria for the academic degree “Associate professor” in Skin and Venereal diseases and I propose to the scientific jury to vote with YES and to allocate to him the above mentioned degree.

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