

Standpoint

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Subject: Competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education

7. Healthcare and sports, professional field.

7.1 Medicine, field of Diagnostic Imaging- one, 0.5 full-time position for the needs of the Department of Diagnostic Imaging, Interventional Radiology and Radiation Therapy, Faculty of Medicine and 0.5 full-time position for the needs of the "Diagnostic Imaging" department at the University Hospital "St. Marina"- Varna, according to an announcement in the State Gazette issue 17 /26.02.2021

Documents for the competition have been submitted by one candidate – Chief. Assistant Professor Dr. Georgi Nikolaev Todorov, MD, which include all necessary documents in accordance with the requirements of ZRASRB, the Regulations for its implementation and Regulations for the development of the academic staff at MU- Varna (Article 126).

Biography and career development:

Dr. Georgi Todorov graduates from Medical University- "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stojnov" – Varna with a Master's degree in Medicine in 2013. In 2015 he obtains a Master's degree in "Health Management" in the same university. From 2013 to present moment he works as a Resident Medical Doctor in the Angiography Sector in the Diagnostic Imaging Department in University Hospital "St. Marina"- Varna. In 2016 he defends a dissertation on "Interventional approaches and diagnosis of malignant diseases of the hepatobiliary system" and obtained a PhD. From 2017 Dr. Todorov has been appointed as a full-time assistant at the Department of Diagnostic Imaging and Radiation Therapy at the Medical University of Varna. From 05.2018 he is appointed to the academic position of Chief Assistant in the same department.

Scientometric indicators:

A total of 26 full-text scientific papers are included in the competition for Associate Professor by Dr. Georgi Todorov as follows: 12 publications in refereed and indexed journals (Web of Science, SCOPUS) and 14 publications in non- refereed journals with scientific evaluation.

His Dissertation on "Interventional approaches and diagnosis of malignant diseases of the hepatobiliary system" is evaluated by a Scientific Jury.

Criterion A of the minimum requirements of “Associate Professor”, according to ZRASRB, is fulfilled.

Criteria B and C of the minimum requirements of “Associate Professor”, according to ZRASRB, is fulfilled.

I accept all publications mentioned by Dr. Todorov. Their total number of points adds up to 349.65 (208.3 points from refereed journals and 141.35 points from non-refereed journals with scientific review), with which **criterion D of the minimum requirements for holding the academic position of “Associate Professor”, according to the Law of Scientific Research, is fulfilled.** The subjects of the publications are diverse thematically and the main works are related to interventional oncology and interventions on vascular pathology. In 5 of the publications Dr. Todorov is an independent author.

Dr. Georgi Todorov has 4 citations: 3 citations in referenced and indexed in world-famous databases and 1 citation in non-referenced journals with scientific review. Thus, criterion E of the minimum requirements for holding the academic position of “Associate Professor” is fulfilled.

To the scientometric indicators Dr. Todorov attaches a reference from the Library of MU-Varna with IF- 3.798.

Evaluation of the contributions of scientific works:

Dr. Georgi Todorov’s contribution of science works in connection with his participation in the competition for “Associate Professor” show his interests in the field of oncology and interventional imaging, advanced diagnostics and surgical techniques, neuroradiology, cardiovascular diseases and multidisciplinary research, with a focus on interventional procedures on malignancies and the diagnostics and treatment of the cardiovascular diseases.

Evaluation of research and teaching activities:

From 2017 Dr. Todorov has been appointed as a full-time assistant at the Department of Diagnostic Imaging and Radiation Therapy at the Medical University of Varna. He partakes in teaching of Bulgarian-speaking students, and his study load meets the requirements. He also participates in the development of curriculum, tests and study material. Dr. Todorov leads classes in diagnostic imaging of medical students. In the Medical College, he gives lectures on imaging anatomy, Clinical Diagnostic Imaging and basics of Diagnostic Imaging, image processing, LED in Ultrasound diagnostics to students majoring in Diagnostic Imaging. He also leads the course in Diagnostic Imaging of students majoring in nursing, midwives and physiotherapists.

Conclusion:

From the materials presented at the competition by Dr. Georgi Todorov, MD, I have reason to believe that according to the Law of the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the regulations for implementation of the Law on the Development academic staff in MU- Varna, the candidate meets the requirements for the academic

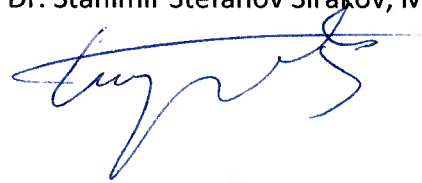
position of "Associate Professor" in "Educational Diagnostics". I recommend to the esteemed Scientific Jury to award Dr. Georgi Nikolaev Todorov, MD, the academic position of "Associate Professor".

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