

STATEMENT

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Chairman of the Scientific Jury, according to Order No. 109-226/26.07.2024 of the Deputy Rector "Academic Activities" of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria.

Regarding: procedure for occupying an academic position "associate professor" in the scientific specialty "Maxillofacial Surgery" for the needs of the Department of General and Operative Surgery at the Faculty of Medicine of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - the city of Varna, Bulgaria and the Clinic for Maxillofacial Surgery at the University Hospital St. Marina for active treatment, Varna, Bulgaria.

The current competition for an academic position was announced in the State Gazette number 45 of 28.05.2024 and only one candidate participated in it - **chief assistant professor Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD**, who is a full-time assistant in the Department of General and operative surgery at the Faculty of Medicine of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" – city of Varna, Bulgaria and works as a maxillofacial surgery specialist at the Clinic of Maxillofacial Surgery at the University Hospital St. Marina for active treatment, Varna, Bulgaria.

As a participant in the Scientific Jury, after a meeting of the latter, I was appointed as its chairman and to prepare a statement on the procedure for occupying the academic position of "associate professor" by Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD.

I. Description of the submitted materials for the competition

The preparation of the opinion on the materials submitted for participation in the competition is based on the requirements for the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations for the Implementation of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - the city of Varna, Bulgaria for the academic position of "associate professor".

II. Brief biographical data of the applicant

In 2014, Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD graduated with a master's degree in "**Medicine**" and in 2016 - a master's degree in "**Health Management**" at the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria. From 2015 until now, he has been working as a doctor in the Clinic of Maxillofacial Surgery at the University Hospital St. Marina for active treatment, Varna, Bulgaria, and in 2020 acquired a **specialty in maxillofacial surgery**. From 2019 until now, he has worked consecutively as a **part-time, full-time and chief assistant professor** in Maxillofacial Surgery at the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria. In 2022, he obtained the **educational and scientific degree "PhD"** by defending a dissertation on the topic "Procalcitonin and the delta neutrophil index levels in the surgery of the head and neck inflammatory diseases". He actively participates in the academic activities of the Department of General and Operative Surgery at the Faculty of Medicine, where he works.

III. Complex qualitative assessment of the candidate's teaching-methodical and scientific-research activities

The **educational and pedagogical activity** of Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD is based on provided academic reference for study load with ex. No. 112-149/07.06.2024 and certificate of teaching experience No. 099-1976/30.05.2024, issued by Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria. It is clear from them that he actively teaches maxillofacial surgery to fourth and fifth year Bulgarian and English dental students.

His total educational and teaching activities so far include 1456 teaching hours - 936 teaching hours in Bulgarian and 520 teaching hours in English.

The scientific research activity of Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD is based on information provided by him and certified by the Library of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria academic reference number 281/03.06.2024, which includes the following components:

- Dissertation - 1 issue;
- Published book based on a protected dissertation work for the award of the educational and scientific degree "PhD" - 1 issue;
- Full-text articles - 19 articles (related to the dissertation work - 2 articles; for associate professor - 17 articles), of which in scientific publications, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information - 11 articles, and in non-refereed peer-reviewed journals - 8 pieces;
- Participation in congresses and conferences – 4.

The scientific works presented by the candidate are distributed according to the following directions and scientific indicators, as shown in the following table:

№	Scientific fields	Publication numbers from the academic reference
1.	Procalcitonin and delta neutrophil index in head and neck diseases	A1.1., B4.6., B4.7., G6.1., G8.1. (dissertation), G8.2. (dissertation)
2.	Inflammatory diseases of the head and neck	V4.1., V4.4., V4.5., G8.1., G8.3., G8.5.
3.	Benign diseases in the maxillofacial area	V4.2., V4.3.
4.	Malignant diseases in the maxillofacial area	V4.8., V4.10., G8.4., beyond the minimum scientometric requirements - 1 item
5.	Dental implantology	V4.9.
6.	Rare syndromes in the maxillofacial region	V7.1., G8.2.

The applicant provides ten **citations** in number, which carry the required minimum number of points for participation in the competition.

The evaluation of the personal contribution to science and the qualities of Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD includes publications in six different scientific fields in which he actively publishes:

1. Procalcitonin and delta neutrophil index in head and neck diseases;
2. Inflammatory diseases of the head and neck;
3. Benign diseases in the maxillofacial region;
4. Malignant diseases in the maxillofacial region;
5. Dental implantology;
6. Rare syndromes in the maxillofacial region.

IV. Conclusion

Those presented by Chief Assistant Professor Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD materials for participation in the competition meet in scientometric terms the minimum national requirements from the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - city of Varna, Bulgaria.

Based on the data presented above, I give a **positive assessment** and strongly recommend to the members of the respected Scientific Jury to award the **academic position of "associate professor"** in the **scientific specialty "Maxillofacial Surgery"** in the field of higher education "7. Health care and sports", professional direction "7.1. Medicine" for the needs of the Department of General and Operative Surgery at the Faculty of Medicine of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - the city of Varna, Bulgaria and the Clinic for Maxillofacial Surgery at the University Hospital St. Marina for active treatment, Varna, Bulgaria at **Chief Assistant Professor Yanko Georgiev Yankov, MD, PhD.**

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