To the Chairman of the Scientific Jury Determined by Order № P -109-109/29.01.2025 To the Rector of MU-Varna

Statement

From Associate professor. d-r Vasil Markov Bozhkov, MD PhD DSc. – Head of Department of Surgery MU-Varna prof. d-r Paraskev Stoianov; UMHAT " Saint Marina" Varna – internal member of the Scientific Jury, according to order № P -109- 109/ 29.01, 2025

Concerning: procedure for taking up academic position **"Associate professor"** in **specialty "Surgery"**, professional field 7.1. Medicine, field of higher education 7. Healthcare and sport – **one** 0,5 full-time position for ES Abdominal Surgery Department of Surgery, Faculty **"Medicine"** and 1 full-time position for Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

Information about the procedure:

After a meeting of Faculty Council of Faculty of Medicine to MU-Varna in protocol $N_{23}/20.01.2025$ and order of Rector of MU-Varna N_{2} P-109-109/29.01.2025 I have been elected as a member of the Scientific Jury, with protocol N_{21} from the first meeting of the Jury, I have been assigned to prepare a statement.

The necessary materials for the contest have been deposited on paper and electronically in accordance with Regulation for the development of academic staff of Mu- Varna from the only candidate - Ch. Assist. Prof. Dilyan Chaushev, MD PhD Department of Surgery MU – Varna and Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

My opinion is in accordance with the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, its Implementing Regulations and the Regulations of MU-Varna.

Candidate's professional data:

Ch. Assist. Prof. Dilyan Chaushev, was born on 18.09.1985r.

2004r. - 2010r. Higher education - Master degree, specialty "Medicine"

2011r. - 2012r. - doctor Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

2012r. - 2013r. - resident - doctor in Surgery, Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

2012/2017r. – specialization in Surgery

2013r. - 2018r. - assistant resident doctor in Surgery, Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

2013r. - 2019r. – "assistant", specialty "Surgery", Department of Surgery", ES Abdominal Surgery MU – Varna

2016r. - 2017r. - doctor raw student Department of Surgery MU - Varna

2017r. – Specialty in "Surgery" and PhD degree Diagnosis and treatment of acute cholecystitis in the elderly

2018r. - 2019r. - doctor assistant in surgery Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

2019r. – till this moment – Ch. Assist. Prof. Dilyan Chaushev, MD PhD Department of Surgery MU – Varna and Second Department of Surgery UMHAT Saint Marina - Varna

Description of the submitted materials for the contest

The preparation of the statement on the materials submitted in the contest is based on the requirements of the Law of the Development of the Academic Staff of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations on the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - Varna for taking of the Academic Position "Associate Professor"

Evaluation of the candidate's research activity

The candidate's scientific output complies with the minimum national requirements for art. 2b, para. 2 and para. 3 of the Law of the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria.

A report on the fulfillment of minimum national requirements and the requirements of the regulations

of the Medical University - Varna is presented, prepared by the Library of the Medical University - Varna, based on information provided by the candidate and automated information from international scientific databases. The publication activity of Chief Assistant Professor Dr. Dilyan Svilenov Chaushev, MD meets the scientometric requirements for holding the academic position of "associate professor" and includes a dissertation for the award of the ESD "doctor", a monographic work, scientific publications in publications that are referenced and indexed in world-renowned databases with scientific information, a published book based on a defended dissertation for the award of the ONS "doctor", publications and reports published in non-refereed journals with scientific review, a full-text publication in a scientific journal (beyond the minimum scientometric requirements for holding the AD "associate professor") and 9 citations. Dr. Chaushev participated in the contest with 29 publications, of which 24 in Bulgaria and 5 abroad. He is an independent author in three publications, first author - 2, as second author - 3 and as third and subsequent 21. The areas in which Dr. Chaushev's publications are located are the following: biliary-hepatic and pancreatic surgery (G8-2; G8-3; G8-4; G8-10; G8-11; G8-12; G8-14; G8-16; G8-17; G8-18; G8-20), colorectal surgery (G7-6; G8-9; G8-6; G8-19; G8-15; G7-3; G7-4; G7-5), anterior abdominal wall surgery (G8-7; G8-8), emergency surgery, surgical treatment of advanced and elderly patients (G7-1; G7-2; G8-5). The author's report on compliance and fulfillment of the minimum national requirements for Associate Professor was prepared on the basis of Art. 26 of the Law on the Promotion of Higher Education and Research and Art. 65 and Art. 67 of the Regulations on the Qualifications of the University of Medical Sciences - Varna)

Index	Contetnt	Associate professor (Points)	Points
A	Index 1	50	50
B	Index 3	100	100
Γ	Sum of indecis 5 to 9	200	206.63
Д	Sum of indecis 10 to 12	50	90
	Result		446,63 т.

From the submitted materials for participation in the contest, it is evident that the scientometric indicators exceed twice the minimum requirements for occupying the position of Associate Professor.

Teaching and learning activities

Dr. Chaushev actively participates in the educational activities of the Department of Surgical Diseases, which includes training students in the discipline "Surgical Diseases" for students of the specialty "Medicine", Bulgarian-language and English-language training. He holds the position of chief and administrative assistant in the Department of Surgical Diseases - 4 years.

Medical and diagnostic activities

In the treatment and diagnostic plan, Dr. Chaushev actively participates in the surgical activities of the Second Clinic of Surgery - emergency and planned. He shows an affinity for the application of minimally invasive techniques and applies laparoscopic surgery as the preferred method for surgical treatment of diseases of the hepatobiliary system. During the period 2022-2024, Dr. Chaushev's surgical activity increases in terms of the total number of surgical interventions as follows: 2022 - 254; 2023 - 269 and 2024 - 272.

Conclusion

The professional qualification, scientific research and teaching activities of Dr. Dilyan Svilenov Chaushev, MD, meet the requirements of the Regulations on the conditions and procedure for acquiring scientific degrees and for occupying the academic position of "associate professor" at the Medical University of Varna. The publications submitted for participation in the competition fully comply with the quantitative criteria for occupying this position. I declare that I will vote positively for the election of Dr. Chaushev to occupy the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the scientific specialty "General Surgery"

In conclusion, everything stated so far gives me reason to give a positive opinion to Chief Assistant Professor Dr. Dilyan Svilenov Chaushev, MD and to propose to the esteemed members of the Scientific Jury to vote positively for awarding the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the field of higher education 7. Health and Sports, professional field 7.1. Medicine, scientific specialty "Surgery" for the Department of "Surgical Diseases", Faculty of Medicine of the Medical University - Varna and for the Second Clinic of Surgery at the University Hospital "St. Marina" - Varna.

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