

# STATEMENT

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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, specialty "Oncology" for the needs of the Department of Oncology at the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - Varna and the Clinic of Medical Oncology at the University Hospital Sveta Marina EAD - Varna, according to an announcement in the State Gazette No. 15/21.02.2025 with an order of the Rector of MU-Varna No. P-109-201/16.04.2025 I am elected as an external member of the Scientific Jury, and on the basis of Protocol No. 1 of the Scientific Jury meeting, I am assigned to prepare this statement.

The only candidate in the competition is Chief Assistant Dragomir Svetozarov Stoyanov, MD, PhD. I have received all the necessary materials needed to prepare this statement. All conditions and deadlines for this procedure meet the requirements of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (LDSRB), the Regulations for its implementation and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University - Varna.

## **I. Biographical Data of the Candidate**

Dragomir Stoyanov, MD, PhD graduated from the Medical University "Prof. Dr. Paraskev Stoyanov" - Varna in 2017. In 2020, he defended his dissertation on the topic "The Relationship between Distress and Time Perception in Cancer Patients" and acquired the educational and scientific degree "PhD" in the specialty "Oncology".

He began working as a resident doctor in the Clinic of Medical Oncology at University Hospital St. Marina EAD – Varna in 2017. In 2022, he acquired a specialty in Medical Oncology. Since 2023, he has been working as a medical oncology specialist at the same clinic.

The academic development of the candidate began in 2018, when he was appointed as an assistant at the "Department of Propaedeutics of Internal Medicine" at MU-Varna. After obtaining the PhD degree, he was appointed as Chief Assistant at the "Department of Oncology" at MU-Varna.

## **II. Scientific output of the candidate**

For participation in the competition, Dr. Dragomir Stoyanov, PhD, provides an academic reference prepared by the MU-Varna library certifying coverage of the following scientometric indicators:

**Indicator A1** – Dissertation for the acquisition of PhD degree on the topic "The Relationship between Distress and Time Perception in Cancer Patients".

**Indicator B3** – Monographic work on the topic "Palliative care for cancer patients".

**Indicator Г7** – Publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-renowned databases of scientific information – 7 issues.

**Indicator Г8** – Publications and reports published in non-referenced journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes – 13 issues.

**Indicator Д10** – Citations or reviews in scientific publications, referenced and indexed in world-renowned databases with scientific information or in monographs and collective volumes – 9 citations.

The materials provided meet the minimum scientometric requirements for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor". The candidate also provided a summary of the total Impact Factor of the journals in which he has published = 168.111. According to the provided scientific profiles, the candidate has an h-index = 3.

The candidate's scientific output covers a wide range of topics in the field of oncology, including research related to fundamental oncology, research related to the treatment of various malignant solid tumors, and there is a special focus on studies related to supportive and palliative care and quality of life of cancer patients.

### **III. Teaching Activity of the Candidate**

The academic workload report of Dr. Dragomir Stoyanov, PhD shows the following annual teaching workload:

- 2019/2020 – 158 academic hours
- 2020/2021 – 158 academic hours
- 2021/2022 – 322 academic hours
- 2022/2023 – 252 academic hours

- 2023/2024 – 226 academic hours

The provided information shows a predominance of practical seminars with english-language students and a gradual inclusion of lecture-based teaching.

#### IV. Conclusion

Given the fulfillment of all requirements set forth in the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (LDSRB), the Regulations for its implementation and the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the Medical University - Varna, I give my **positive assessment** to Dragomir Svetozarov Stoyanov, MD, PhD.

I propose to the esteemed members of the Scientific Jury to vote in favor of awarding the academic position of “Associate Professor” to Dragomir Svetozarov Stoyanov, MD, PhD.

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