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Information on the procedure: The competition for associate professor of lung diseases at the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, pulmonology and Allergology has been announced in the State Gazette no. 53 of 12.06.2020. It complies with the new requirements of the Law for development of the academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations to it and the Regulations for development of the Academic staff of MU Varna. The only candidate is Dr. Darina Nikolova Miteva-Mihailova, MD Chief Assistant at the Clinic of Pneumology and Phthisiology at the Department of Internal Medicine MU Varna.

The deadline for submitting the documents has been met.

Biographical data related to the scientific and practical activity of the candidate: Dr. Miteva completed her higher education in medicine in 1990 in Varna. Initially she was appointed an intern at the Polyclinic - Dolni Chiflik, then worked mainly in the Therapeutic Clinic of the Naval Hospital Varna and in the Intensive Care Unit at the II Lung Clinic of MHAT "St. Marina" - Varna. Since 2011 she has been appointed an assistant at the Medical University of Varna. He currently holds the position of Chief Assistant in the Teaching sector of Lung Diseases and Allergology at the First Department of Internal Medicine and Chief Assistant in the Clinic of Pneumology and Phthisiatry of the University Hospital "St. Marina" –Varna.

Dr. Miteva has specialties in Internal Medicine and Pneumology and Phthisiatry. In 2016 she got an educational and scientific degree "Doctor". Dr. Miteva has participated in a research project under the Science Fund; she is a regular member of the Bulgarian Society of Lung Diseases, European Respiratory Society, Heart and Lung Association.

Analysis of the scientific production and contributions: In the current competition Dr. Miteva has presented a monograph - 1 issue, a dissertation for the acquisition of scientific degree "Doctor" - 1 issue, publications in journals - 34 issues.

The distribution of scientific papers by language of publication is as follows:

Publications in Bulgarian - 21 issues, two of which have been published in parallel in English, publications in English - 15 issues, of which 5 full-text publications in foreign journals, 2 full-text publications in Bulgarian magazines publishing in English and 8 abstracts in foreign journals with impact factor. The distribution of scientific papers by authorship is as follows:

Only author - 6 copies (16.7%)

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Co-author - 30 pieces, of which as follows: ¬

- first author 18 publications (50%)
- Second author 4 publications (11.1%)

Next author - 8 publications (22.2%)

A total of 24 publications (66.7%) are presented as the sole and first author. •

The high percentage indicates the main contribution of the candidate in the indicated publications.

From the attached reference of Central medical library Sofia 481 / 24.07.2020 it is evident that so far the works of the candidate have been cited 8 times - 4 in referenced and 4 in non-referenced scientific publications. According to a reference made in the library of MU Varna, the total impact factor of Dr. Miteva is 77,125.

The main directions in the scientific activity of Dr. Miteva are the infectious lung diseases and in particular pneumonias, the topic of her dissertation and the monograph. Her scientific research covers a wide aspect of this ever-present problem - diagnosis, treatment, comorbidity, assessment of the severity of pneumonia, their prevention. Another area in which Dr. Miteva has research interests are the problems associated with COPD and its combined course with bronchiectasis, infectious pathogens, antibiotic treatment. The range of scientific research of Dr. Miteva is supplemented by several interesting articles related to the treatment of severe bronchial asthma, pulmonary thromboembolism; some of their diagnostic aspects. The main contributions to her work are formulated in several areas: pneumonia, bronchoobstructive diseases, pulmonary thromboembolism, and others.

Teaching activity: Dr. Miteva conducts practical seminars in Lung Diseases for students since 2011. The workload and teaching experience meet the requirements for habilitation.

Evaluation of the diagnostic and treatment activity: Dr. Miteva routinely participates in the treatment activity of the lung diseasesin the clinic. She has 7 years of experience in the field of intensive care as a pulmonologist in the Intensive Care Unit. One important additional qualification is bronchoscopic activity. Dr. Miteva masters all bronchoscopic techniques and performs bronchoscopies regularly.

The brief review shows that the scientific, medical-diagnostic and teaching-teaching activity of the candidate is in accordance with the requirements for the academic position "Associate Professor" of the Regulations for the development of the academic staff at the Medical University - Varna. Dr. Miteva is an experienced specialist with great creative activity and a penchant for innovation.

In conclusion, based on the analysis of the submitted papers and documents, I believe that Dr. Darina Nikolova Miteva, MD, can be elected associate professor of

Lung Diseases (code 03.001.17) in the Department of Internal Medicine at the Medical University - Varna

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