

## POSITION

Of Assoc. Prof. Kamen Yankov Yankov

Associate Professor at the Department of Internal Medicine, Medical University of Varna

*Information on the procedure:* The competition for associate professor of lung diseases at the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine educational sector in Lung Diseases and Allergology was announced in the State Newspaper No. 17 / 26.02.2021. It complies with the new requirements of the legislation 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. Dinko Genchev Valev, assistant at position 0.50 at the Department of Clinical and Medical-Biological Sciences, Medical University of Sofia, branch "Prof. Dr. I Mitev" Vratsa. The deadline for submitting the documents has been met.

*Biographical data related to the scientific and practical activity of the candidate:*

Dr. Valev graduated from the University of Medicine in 1992 at the Medical University of Sofia. Professional Development:

1993-2000. Internal Department of the Transport Medical Institute Sofia,

2000/2019. Specilised Hospital for Lung Diseses "St. Sofia "EAD-Sofia Department of Bronchology

2019 to the present - University Hospital "St. John the Baptist "EAD Sofia.

2020/2021 Assistant at position 0.50 at the Department of Clinical and Medical-Biological Sciences, Sofia University, Branch "Prof. Dr. I Mitev" Vratsa

Dr. Valev has a recognized specialty in Internal Medicine since 1998 and specialty "Pneumology and Phthisiology" since 2002.

Since 2010 he has a scientific degree "Doctor" in "Lung Diseases."

Additional qualifications: Sleep apnea course in Imperial College, Edingburgh, Scotland, International certified endobronchial ultrasound course and transbronchial fine-needle aspiration Heidelberg, German He has a certificate of professional qualification "Bronchoscopy".

*Analysis of the scientific production and contributions:* In the current competition Dr. Valev participates with 41 scientific papers, 6 of which are presented for obtaining the scientific degree "Doctor".

The following distribution of scientific publications can be seen from the academic reference and collection of abstracts: Articles published in refereed and indexed journals 15, ten of which are presented as habilitation work. Publications and reports published in non-peer-reviewed journals with scientific review 18 pcs. Full-text publications presented outside the minimum scientometric requirements 5 pcs. Dr. Valev is the first author in 15 publications

The attached reference of the library of MU Varna 138 / 21.04.2011 shows that so far the candidate's works have been cited 18 times - 6 citations in peer-reviewed and indexed scientific journals, 6 in monographs and collective volumes, 6 in non-peer-reviewed journals. The impact factor 42.484 is indicated in the report.

The main contributions in the research and medical-applied activity of the candidate reflected in his scientific production are developed in 5 directions. The main two - efficiency and quality of bronchological examinations in the diagnostic process and application of modern innovative endoscopic therapeutic procedures, are related to the daily activities of Dr. Valev as a bronchologist. They are extensively developed in the dissertation and accompanying articles. The other three areas of research are socially significant diseases, rare diseases of the lungs and the relationship of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease with cardiovascular changes. They have an applied-practical character and enrich the scientific activity of the candidate.

*Teaching and learning activities:* From 2000 to 2019, Dr. Valev worked as a bronchologist in the Bronchology Department of SBALBB "St. Sofia ", a time during which he is actively engaged in teaching work to doctors specializing in pneumology and phthisiology module "Bronchology ", as well as in conducting courses on Highly Specialized Activity " Bronchology ". Since 2014, Dr. Valev has been a lecturer in the disciplines "Internal Medicine" in the specialties "Nurse", "Obstetritian", "Medical Assistant" and in the specialty "Occupational Therapy" at the

Medical University of Sofia - branch "Prof. Dr. Ivan Mitov" - Vratsa. The attached report shows that Dr. Valev and conducts lectures, seminars and student exams. A disadvantage in the teaching activity of Dr. Valev is the lack of activity with medical students.

*Evaluation of the diagnostic and treatment activity:* Dr. Dinko Valev is well known to the medical specialists in Bulgaria dealing with bronchology. He himself is a highly qualified and erudite pulmonologist with an affinity to innovation and the introduction of new diagnostic methods. He has the qualities of a good organizer and works well in a team. Actively participates in the treatment of the lung diseases clinic.

In conclusion, based on the analysis of the submitted papers and documents, I believe that Dr. Dinko Genchev Valev 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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