

To

Prof. Dr. Zdravka Demerdjieva, MD, PhD, DSc

Chair of the Scientific Jury,

appointed by Order No. 5-5-32/11.2.25

REVIEW

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Regarding: Competition for the academic position of "Professor" in the scientific specialty "Dermatology and Venereology" in the field of higher education 7. Healthcare and Sports, professional field 7.1. Medicine, announced for the needs of the "EuroDerma" Clinic, Sofia. My selection as an internal reviewer has been determined by Order No. 5-5-32/11.2.25 of [INSTITUTION]. This review has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Academic Staff Development Act in the Republic of Bulgaria (ASDARB), its regulations, and the Rules and Regulations for the acquisition of academic degrees and occupying academic positions of "Professor".

Only one candidate, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhanna Stoyanova Kazandzhieva, MD, has submitted documents for this competition and has been admitted to participate. All materials have been prepared and presented competently, in accordance with the requirements, as reflected in the eligibility committee's decision.

I. Biographical Data and Professional Development

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhanna Stoyanova Kazandzhieva was born in [YEAR] and has extensive experience in dermatology and venereology. She completed her higher education in medicine at the Medical University – Sofia, after which she obtained a specialty in "Dermatology and Venereology." In 2005, she defended a dissertation on "Exogenous Pigment Disorders – Dermatological Aspects and Therapeutic Possibilities" and received the academic degree of "Doctor." In 2008, she acquired the academic title of "Associate Professor."

Over the years, she has held positions as an Assistant Professor and Associate Professor in the Department of Dermatology and Venereology at MU–Sofia and as a physician at the Clinic of Skin and Venereal Diseases at "Aleksandrovska" University Hospital. She has extensive teaching experience, actively participating in the training of medical, dental, and pharmacy students, as well as in the preparation of dermatology and allergology specialists.

II. Scientific and Research Activity

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhanna Kazandzhieva has made a significant scientific contribution in the field of dermatology. She has presented 281 scientific works since obtaining the title of "Associate Professor," including:

251 scientific articles;

1 independent monograph;

17 book chapters in monographs;

7 textbook chapters;

5 teaching aids and manuals.

Her scientific output includes 10 scientific articles published in impact factor journals, forming her main habilitation work, as well as 40 additional articles in impact factor journals and 30 publications in internationally and nationally referenced journals.

The total impact factor of the publications included in the procedure amounts to 301.399, and the candidate's h-index is 22. According to the report from the Central Medical Library, Assoc. Prof. Kazandzhieva has 1,728 citations in SCOPUS, 2,206 in Web of Science, and 280 citations in Bulgarian sources.

III. Teaching and Educational Activity

The candidate has extensive teaching experience and actively participates in the education of students and specialists. She has served as a research supervisor for five successfully defended doctoral candidates and as a scientific consultant for two doctoral dissertations.

IV. Participation in Scientific Forums

Since acquiring the title of "Associate Professor," Assoc. Prof. Kazandzhieva has delivered 72 lectures as an invited speaker at international scientific forums, participated with 87 posters (9 of which were published in impact factor journals), and presented 182 lectures at national conferences.

V. Conclusion

Based on the submitted materials, scientific publications, citation index, teaching activity, and contributions to the development of dermatology and venereology in Bulgaria, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhanna Kazandzhieva, MD, meets all the requirements for occupying the academic position of "Professor" by the national criteria.

I recommend that the Scientific Jury confer the academic title of "Professor" upon Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zhanna Kazandzhieva, MD.

Date: 28.2.2025

Signature:

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Prof. Dr. Razvigor Darlenski, MD, DSc