

OPINION

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Subject: Competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" in the scientific specialty "Dermatology and Venereology" in the field of higher education 7. "Health and Sports", professional field 7.1. "Medicine" for the needs of the Dermatology and Venereology clinic of "Acibadem City Clinic UMHAT Tokuda" EAD, promulgated in SG, issue. 91 of 02.11.2021

Pursuant to Order № 695 / 29.12.2021 of the Executive Director of Acibadem City Clinic UMHAT Tokuda, I was appointed a member of the scientific jury for a competition for the academic position of "Associate Professor" in Dermatology and Venereology. I have been chosen to give an opinion at the first meeting of the Scientific Jury regarding the documents submitted by the candidate Dr. Ivan Assenov Bogdanov, PhD, dermatologist, Assistant professor at Acibadem City Clinic Tokuda Hospital EAD. The documents meet the requirements of The Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations for its implementation and the Regulations on the terms and conditions for obtaining scientific degrees and holding academic positions in Acibadem City Clinic UMBAL Tokuda EAD.

Dr. Ivan Assenov Bogdanov graduated from the Medical University - Sofia, Faculty of Medicine in 2006. Since 2005 he has actively participated in the circle of dermatology and venereology at Dermatology and Venereology clinic of University Hospital "Alexandrovska", and since 2006 is a volunteer in the same clinic until his enrollment as a full-time doctoral student in the clinic in 2008. He defended his dissertation on "Combined climatotherapeutic method in the treatment of psoriasis" in 2013 at the Department of Dermatology and Venereology, Medical University - Sofia. From 2010 to 2014 he was a resident at Acibadem City Clinic Tokuda Hospital EAD and acquired a degree in Dermatology and Venereology in 2014. In the course of his postgraduate qualification the candidate has completed specializations at the University Clinics of Dermatology and Venereology " Saint-Louis Hospital"- Paris, France (2010-2011) and London Clinic, London, UK (2014). In 2018, Dr. Bogdanov won a competition for chief assistant at Acibadem City Clinic Tokuda Hospital.

The total number of scientific works of Dr. Ivan Bogdanov is 149 (38 abroad and 111 in Bulgaria). The candidate's research activity includes a dissertation - 1, participation in monographs - 5 (2 abroad and 3 in Bulgaria), scientific publications - 48 (13 abroad and 35 in Bulgaria), participation in scientific forums - 93 (23 in abroad, of which 14 posters at international congresses and 70 in Bulgaria), research projects - 2 in Bulgaria, of which 1 as a project manager.

Dr. Bogdanov is the author of 10 chapters in 3 monographs (6 chapters in 2 Bulgarian monographs and 4 chapters in 1 monograph published abroad) and 1 textbook abroad (1 chapter).

In international journals Dr. Bogdanov is the first author in 7 scientific articles, second in 5 and subsequent in 1. In Bulgarian journals he is the first author in 11 scientific articles, second in 7 and subsequent in 17. Scientific articles of Dr. Ivan Bogdanov have been published in publications with a total impact factor of 29,414.

The lectures and communications presented at international and national scientific forums are 93, with the first author at 63, the second at 19 and the subsequent at 11.

There are 94 citations on scientific papers, 44 of which are in specialized publications, referenced in global databases such as Web of Science and Scopus, not counting self-citations.

The scientific contributions of Dr. Ivan Bogdanov are of original, confirmatory, scientific-theoretical and scientific-applied nature. They are diverse and cover areas such as rare clinical cases in dermatology, with special attention to some dermatoses described for the first time in Bulgaria as Neonatal Onset Multisystem Inflammatory Disease (NOMID) and Chloracne (MADISH).

Psoriasis also occupies a significant part of the candidate's scientific activity, with the main part of the research focusing on climatotherapy of the disease, considering psoriasis as a systemic disease, modern treatment of the disease with biologicals and drawing consensus on BDD for psoriasis. Dr. Bogdanov is actively involved as Chairman of the Psoriasis Foundation, the candidate is engaged in significant volunteer work, which includes the organization of numerous conferences and symposiums, raising awareness of patients with psoriasis and dermatologists, as well as publishing popular science brochures and republishing and supplementing the book "All About Psoriasis", which is an extremely useful aid for patients and their doctors.

Dermatoallergology is mainly represented by the participation in the development of consensus for the treatment of atopic dermatitis and urticaria, and reviews related to vesiculobullous eruptions, and allergic reactions to existing Covid-19 vaccines.

Dr. Bogdanov participated in the preparation of 11 consensus and therapeutic guidelines for the treatment of various dermatoses, and in 2 of them Dr. Bogdanov was the first author.

Medical research in Antarctica is one of the most interesting areas in the scientific activity of the candidate. Dr. Bogdanov takes part in the 28th BAE in the Bulgarian Antarctic Base within the Scientific Project on "Adaptation of the skin to the extreme weather conditions of Antarctica" funded by the Ministry of Education and Science. Within the framework of the project, valuable studies were made on the changes in the main indicators of the condition of the skin in the Antarctic climate, as well as a study of the dose of ultraviolet radiation in members of the expedition working outdoors. Such studies are being conducted for the first time on this continent and are being conducted with modern equipment. The results of the project are to be published. A second project on "Changes in the skin microflora under the influence of the Antarctic climate" is to be conducted. Both scientific projects follow the latest trends in dermatology and arouse serious interest from the scientific community.

Dr. Bogdanov conducts part of a practical course in the discipline "Dermatology and Venereology" of fourth year students, specialty "Medicine", teaching in the Bulgarian and the English master's programs in medicine at Sofia University "Kliment Ohridski" - 130.2 hours for the academic year 2019/2020 and 201 hours for the academic year 2020/2021 (reference of the Faculty of Medicine at Sofia University from 21.12.2021). According to the attached reference with Ex. № 1945 / 13. 12. 2021 from Acibadem City Clinic UMBAL Tokuda Sofia from 01.01.2017 to 10.12.2021 Dr. Ivan Bogdanov has a study load of 984 equivalent hours.

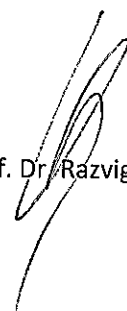
Dr. Bogdanov is a respected specialist in dermatology with experience gained in practice in Bulgaria and abroad, with active scientific interest and various contributions. The candidate fully meets the national requirements for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor".

After carefully reading the documentation for the professional and scientific development, I strongly recommend the distinguished jury to award the academic position of "Associate Professor" in "Dermatology and Venerology", professional field 7.1 "Medicine", higher education 7. " Healthcare and Sports" to Ch. Assistant Professor Dr. Ivan Assenov Bogdanov, Ph.D.

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