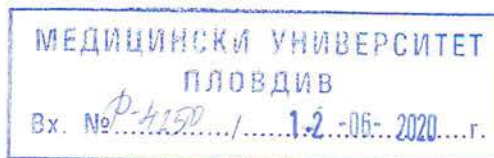


STATEMENT



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Regarding: Competition for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor" in Gastroenterology at Second Department of Internal Diseases, Clinic of Gastroenterology, Medical University of Plovdiv.

Applicant: Dr. Daniel Ilianov Doykov, Assistant at Second Department of Internal Diseases, Clinic of Gastroenterology, Medical University of Plovdiv.

1. Biographical data and career development

Dr. Daniel Ilianov Doykov was born in 1984. He graduated from the Medical University of Plovdiv in 2009. He acquired a major in Gastroenterology in 2015 and a Master degree in Public Healthcare and Health Management in the same year. Dr. Doykov defended a dissertation work with topic: "Real time elastography as a method for assessing liver stiffness in chronic liver disease." in 2018.

His professional development began as an Attending Doctor in the Outpatient clinic for specialized outpatient care and Medical Center Kaspela in 2009 after graduating the Medical University of Plovdiv. Since 2005 till present, he has been Assistant at the Second Department of Internal Diseases, Medical University of Plovdiv. He is the Managing Director of the Outpatient clinic for specialized outpatient care and Medical Center Kaspela since October 2015.

Dr. Doykov's main postgraduate trainings are various international courses in the field of Gastroenterology for the different modalities of the ultrasound diagnostics and the GI endoscopy (diagnostics and therapy).

He has the required certificates in Gastroenterology to perform highly specialized tests- abdominal ultrasound Ist, IInd, IIIrd level and Gastrointestinal endoscopy- Ist, IInd, IIIrd level, issued by the Medical University of Plovdiv.

2. Academic and research activity

Dr. Daniel Ilianov Doykov presents with a total of 18 academic works: 1 dissertation work, 1 monograph, 16 publications in Bulgarian periodicals and academic journals. His academic works are published in unreferenced collective editions, respectively 12/4.

In his capacity of an author of publications, Dr. Doykov has been quoted 11 times- in academically referenced and indexed journals (Scopus and Web science)- 1 quotation, 6 quotations in unreferenced journals with academic reviews and 4 quotations in monographs and collective editions with academic reviews.

Dr. Doykov's academic activity is mainly focused on the capabilities of the ultrasound diagnostics in differentiation and diagnostic therapy in chronic liver diseases. This is the topic of his dissertation work "Real time elastography as a method for assessing liver stiffness in chronic liver disease". This work was developed in 2013-2016 when elastography has gained more use in the clinical practice. For the first time in Bulgaria he does a comprehensive study and comparison between the invasive and non-invasive methods in patients with chronic liver disease of various etiology. The monograph "Ultrasound elastography of the liver" issued in 2019 thoroughly explores the use of the different modalities of the ultrasound elastography: compression elastography, transient elastography, shear wave elastography and ARFI. The applicant has the highest number of publications on these issues. He has 3 publications in international journals. He also published genuine articles which show the use of the ultrasound elastography in pancreas and bile diseases. Part of the publications are in the field of the gastrointestinal endoscopic studies.

3. Academic teaching activity

Dr. Doykov's teaching work is related to training of students, work with trainees and postgraduates; participation in term and state exams; proofreading and editor activity appointed by the Medical University of Plovdiv. The provided academic report for the study involvement in the last 3 years, issued by the Department of Teaching Affairs and Student Services shows that Dr. Doykov has 400-496 hours. These indicators completely meet the criteria for teaching activity when participating in a competition for holding the position of Associate Professor in the Medical University of Plovdiv.

4. Public activity and membership in academic organizations

Dr. Doykov is a member of the Bulgarian Society of Gastroenterology, Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and Abdominal ultrasound

and a member of the EASL, ESGE and the European Group of endoscopic ultrasound.

Conclusion: I believe that Dr. Daniel Ilianov Doykov completely meets the required criteria for academic and research activity, teaching activity, treatment and diagnostic activity for acquiring the academic position of Associate Professor in compliance with the requirements in the Regulation for development of the Academic staff in the Medical University of Plovdiv.

I give my positive assessment and I recommend that the jury proposes Dr. Daniel Ilianov Doykov to be chosen by the Academic Council of the Medical University of Plovdiv for the position of "Associate Professor" in Gastroenterology.

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