

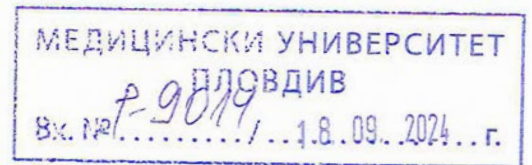
To Professor Mariela Geneva-Popova MD PhD

the chair of the Scientific Jury

At MU of Plovdiv

Appointed by order № P-2649/07.08.2024. of

The Rector of MU - Plovdiv, by the procedure for an academic position “professor” of the candidate Assoc. Prof. Pavel Timonov MD PhD in the department “Forensic medicine and Deontology” at MF - MU of Plovdiv .



ACADEMIC JUDGEMENT

From Associate Professor Alexandar Alexandrov, MD, PhD

The Head of the department “Forensic medicine and deontology” at MU of Sofia

Concerning: Aptitude for an academic position “Professor” in the field of higher education, 7. Health and Sport, professional field 7.1. Medicine, medical specialty “Forensic medicine” in the department “Forensic medicine and Deontology”, MU of Plovdiv.

1. Brief biographic data

In 2002 Assoc. Prof. Timonov graduated from MU-Plovdiv as a medical doctor with excellent scores. From 2010 to 2013 he was a resident in the Unit of Forensic medicine in UH “St George”-Plovdiv and he acquired a specialty in forensic medicine in 2013. The candidate has completed many training courses in forensic medicine in countries such as Germany and Turkey. He is fluent in spoken and written English and French.

In 2014 he defended a doctoral thesis. The topic of this study concerns the sex determination based on the examination of femur among Bulgarian population. Since 2008 he has occupied AP “Assistant Professor”, then AP “Chief Assistant Professor”. Since 2018 he has held AP “Assoc. Professor” at the Department of Forensic medicine and Deontology, MU – Plovdiv. Since 2024 he has been the Head of the Department and the Vice-Dean for international students in MF, MU-Plovdiv. Since 2020 he has been the Head of Unit of Forensic medicine, UH “St George” Plovdiv. He has the diploma of Health Management.

The candidate is a member of: BAFS (Balkan Academy of Forensic Sciences) IALM (International Academy of Legal Medicine) FASE (Forensic Anthropology Society of Europe) Bulgarian anthropologic Society, Bulgarian Medical Association, Union of Bulgarian scientists.

Additionally, he is an expert of: Expert Council on Forensic medicine at the Ministry of Health/ from 2021 to 06.2024/ State Examination Committee for acquisition of specialty in Forensic medicine, and National Evaluation and Accreditation Agency.

2. Assessment of teaching and administrative activities

The average annual academic workload /auditorial and extra-auditorial/ of Timonov, MD, over the last 3 years has been 1009.7 hours: 2021/2022 – 797.6 academic hours., 2022/2023 – 981.6 academic hours, 2023/2024 – 1249.2 academic hours. He has conducted full academic courses (lectures, practical lessons and final exams) of Forensic medicine and Deontology for Bulgarian-learning and English-learning students in medicine and dentistry. His last attestation assessment is very good.

He has managed two PhD students who defended their thesis and three residents in forensic medicine. Timonov MD has documents certifying training under Erasmus.

3. Assessment of the main fields of research interests.

Timonov MD has applied evidence for 32 post-habilitation research papers for assoc. prof. including: 15 articles, which were publicized in SCOPUS and WEB OF SCIENCE as 13 from them were with IF, 15 articles in unreferred journals with scientific peer review or in edited collective volumes, one textbook called Forensic Pathology for English-learning students in medicine and dentistry and 10 publications in SCOPUS and WEB OF SCIENCE as a habilitation work. He has participated in 2 national projects.

At the time of submission of the competition documents the candidate submitted a reference to 29 citations in unreferred journals with scientific peer review or in edited collective volumes and 58 citations of scientific works in journals referenced in SCOPUS and WEB OF SCIENCE. He made 22 peer reviews of articles indexed in SCOPUS и/или WEB OF SCIENCE. His H-index is 4 / according to Scopus /.

4. Overall assessment of the applicant's compliance with the mandatory conditions and mandatory quantitative criteria and science indicators.

Based on the presented reference-self-assessment for the implementation of the National Minimum Science Indicators, I conclude that Timonov MD meets these requirements and in completeness meets the criteria for holding the AP "Professor" according to the Law for the Development of the Academic Staff in Bulgaria (DASB) and the Regulation for occupying the AP "Professor" of the regulations of MU-Plovdiv (see the Table).

Table of indicators of the candidate for AP "Professor"

Group	Indicator	Value	Professor	Candidate
A	1. PhD thesis	50	50	50
Б	2. DMSc thesis	100		
Б	3. Habilitation work and monograph	100	100	149
	4. Habilitation work – scientific publications (more than 10) in journals referenced and indexed in world -famous databases	60/n for each publication		
Г	5. Monograph, which is not presented as a main habilitation work	100	300 points	198.6
	6. Edited book based on the thesis	40		
	7. Publications and reports published in scientific journals refereed and indexed in world-class scientific databases (only Scopus and Web of science)	60/n		
	8. Publications and reports published in non-refereed journals with scholarly review or published in edited volumes	30/n		
	Published chapter in collective volume	20/n		
			20 articles, 15 of them indexed in in word-class databases Scopus Web of Science, and. 8 of them had	114.2

Table of indicators of the candidate for AP “Professor”

Group	Indicator	Value	Professor	Candidate
			IF	
Д	10. Citations and/or reviews in scientific journals refereed and indexed in world-class scientific bases (only Scopus and Web of science)	15	400 points 25 citations indexed in world -class databases Scopus and Web of Science	1200
	11. Citations in monographs and edited collections with peer review	10		
	12. Citations and/or reviews in non- refereed journals with peer review	5		145
Е	13. DMSc degree	40	150 points - 2 defended	
	14. Management of successfully defended PhD students	40/n		60
	15. Completed specialty training	40		40
	16. Participation in national scientific projects	15		45
	17. Participation in international scientific projects	20		
	18. Management of national scientific projects	30		
	19. Management of international scientific projects	40		

Table of indicators of the candidate for AP "Professor"				
Group	Indicator	Value	Professor	Candidate
	20. Textbook	40/n	PhD students - 1 project - 1 textbook/ teaching materials	40
	21. Teaching materials	20/n		
	22. Training of postgraduates, PhD students,(seminars and practical lessons)	30		90
Ж	Teaching activities:			
	Teaching workload		300 points (for the last 2 years. X 1pt/hr)	645
	Academic position		200 points (assoc. prof.- 100 pts for 1 year)	500
	Total:		1500	3276.8

5. Conclusion

Based on the submitted documents for participation in this procedure, his research interests, professional qualities and according to the Act for the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the academic rules of MU-Plovdiv, I will vote positively for the award of AP "Professor" in Forensic medicine and Deontology to Pavel Timonov MD in the competition for the needs of the Department of Forensic Medicine and Deontology, MU – Plovdiv.

Date: 12.09.2024

Statement maker:

Assoc. Prof. Alexandar Alexandrov MD PhD