

## STATEMENT

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**Concerning:** a competition for awarding the academic position "Professor" in the scientific specialty "Pharmacoeconomics and pharmaceutical regulation" in the field of "Health and Sports", professional sphere "Pharmacy", announced in SG No. 47/04.06.2024 for the needs of "Organization and economics of pharmacy" department at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the Medical University – Plovdiv.

Only one candidate has submitted documents for the announced competition for the academic position "Professor" – Assoc. Prof. Stanislav Radoslavov Georgiev, PhD, of the "Organization and Economics of Pharmacy" department at the Faculty of Pharmacy, Medical University – Plovdiv for the needs of which the competition was opened.

The presented set of materials is in full compliance with the legal requirements and the requirements of the Regulations for Academic Development in Medical University-Plovdiv (2021) for occupying the academic position "Professor", and the evidence presented does not repeat the submitted and evaluated documents when obtaining the educational qualification degree "PhD" and occupying the academic position "Associate Professor". All administrative deadlines for conducting the competition have been met.

### I. Candidate's career profile

Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev, PhD graduated from higher pharmaceutical education in 1999 at the Faculty of Pharmacy of Medical University-Sofia obtaining a master's degree in "Pharmacy". He started his professional development as a master of pharmacy at a pharmaceutical wholesale company, and later as a medical representative in the sales offices of GlaxoSmithKline - Bulgaria and Boehringer Ingelheim.

In 2001 Georgiev was a doctoral student at the "Organization and Economics of Pharmacy" department at the Faculty of Pharmacy - Sofia. In 2007, he obtained the educational scientific degree "doctor", by successfully defending a dissertation on the topic: "Studies of the possibilities of implementing pharmaceutical care in pharmacy practice".

Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev has acquired specialties: in "Organization and economics of distribution and pharmacy practice" (2012) at Medical University-Plovdiv and "Hospital pharmacy" (2020) at Medical University-Plovdiv.

Since 2008, he has been an assistant, senior and chief assistant (2010) and assoc. prof. (2012) at the Faculty of Pharmacy at the Medical University of Plovdiv. Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev was deputy Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy responsible for educational matters at the Medical University of Plovdiv in the period 2015-2019.

Prof. Georgiev is a member of: the Expert Council on Activities in Organization and Economy, Drug Technology and Hospital Pharmacy at the Minister of Health; The Ethics Committee to the Board of Directors of the Bulgarian Pharmaceutical Union; The expert council on retail trade at BDA; and a number of other boards and commissions.

## **II. Teaching and lecturing activity.**

Assoc. St. Georgiev actively participates in the teaching of the academic disciplines: "Social Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Legislation", "Pharmacoeconomics", "Pharmaceutical Care" and "History of Pharmacy" to pharmacy students at the Faculty of Pharmacy of MU-Plovdiv, studying in Bulgarian and in English, where he gives lectures, conducts practical exercises and seminars, participates in conducting semester exams.

He is a member of the examination commission for the state examination in "Social Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Legislation". He also participated in the development of the curricula for those disciplines.

Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev is also included in the structure of the state examination commissions for the specialty "Organization and economics of distribution and pharmacy practice" of the Ministry of Health.

The teaching load of Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev in the last 3 academic years has been impressive - 3,269 hours (of which 2,656 hours were in the classroom), with an annual norm for Medical University-Plovdiv of 360 hours.

He is the co-author of 8 textbooks with ISBNs and 2 textbooks in the disciplines he teaches, he is the scientific co-supervisor of 5 defended PhD students, who obtained the educational qualification degree "PhD" and the supervisor of 10 specialists in the post-graduate system of MU-Plovdiv

I believe that in the field of educational and lecturing activity assoc. prof. Stanislav Georgiev is fully established, with extensive professional experience as a teacher, who fully meets the requirements of the the Law for the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the rules for its implementation, as well as the Regulations for Academic Development adopted by the Medical University-Plovdiv for occupying the academic position "Professor".

## **III. Evaluation of the candidate's scientific works for the overall academic development.**

The scientific research activity of assoc. prof. St. Georgiev is mainly in the field of social pharmacy, pharmaceutical regulation and pharmaceutical care. His main contributions, reflected in scientific publications, have a scientific-applied nature, and I believe that they have a significant contribution to pharmaceutical science and practice.

Of the entered 41 publications, 23 are in scientific editions, 5 of which are referenced and indexed Web of Science, and the rest – in Scopus. The remaining 18 publications are in non-referenced journals, most of them in international journals.

The candidate's overall "impact factor" is 10.4, and the h-index is 4.

The candidate has 136 citations of publications, 48 of which in scientific publications referenced and indexed only in Scopus and/or Web Science and 3 in monographic works.

He has participated in two collective monographic works. For the habilitation thesis "Drug Interactions" a divisional protocol for equal participation is presented, and for the monograph "Regulatory Approaches to Drug Authorization", a divisional protocol is presented. Both monographic works are also essential for the preparation of undergraduates, postgraduates and PhD students, especially in the field of "Drug Interactions".

The candidate was a participant in 3 scientific research projects, in 1 of which he was the leading researcher. The topics of the projects are in the field of use of antibiotics, social and economic aspects of the treatment of diabetes, quality of life in children with immunological diseases. The projects have been successfully completed and highly appreciated.

#### IV. Personal impressions.

I have known assoc. prof. St. Georgiev as an excellent student whom I have taught and am a direct witness of his development as a scientist and lecturer. He is intelligent, inquisitive and humble, has excellent teaching skills and has excellent communication with the students. Assoc. prof. Georgiev is a hereditary pharmacist with a strong scientific interest, ability to work and discipline, for which the environment in which he grew up is not unimportant. He has deservedly gained authority and respect among colleagues, students and the scientific community. That is why I believe that his election as a professor will contribute to elevating the level of education and research work at the Faculty of Pharmacy of MU-Plovdiv

#### V. Summary:

The general analysis of the results of the research work, as well as the scientometric indicators of Prof. Stanislav Georgiev, shows his significant achievements in the field of "Pharmacoeconomics and pharmaceutical regulation". This confirms my belief that assoc. prof. mag.-pharm. Stanislav Radoslavov Georgiev, PhD is an established academic lecturer, researcher, expert and consultant in the scope of the scientific specialty of the competition.

The scientific indicators of Assoc. Prof. St. Georgiev significantly exceed the minimum requirements for the scientific and lecturing activity of the candidates laid down in the Regulations for Academic Development of Medical University-Plovdiv for occupying the academic position "Professor" in professional direction 7.3. "Pharmacy" - with a requirement for a minimum number of points of 1660, the candidate has collected 4471.5 points.

The values of the main groups of indicators are listed in the table below:

Group of Indicators	Indicators value as adopted by the Medical University-Plovdiv	Assoc. Prof. Stanislav Georgiev points
A	50	50.0
B	100	100.0
Г	300	456.8
Д	500	1175.0
E	150	649.7
Ж	560	2050.0
<b>Total points</b>	<b>1660</b>	<b>4471.5</b>

Based on the above, I consider that the candidate fully meets the Regulations for Academic Development of Medical University-Plovdiv for occupying the academic position "Professor".

#### CONCLUSION

As a result of all stated above, I believe that assoc. prof. Stanislav Radoslavov Georgiev, Ph.D. fully meets the set of criteria and indicators under Art. 2b, para. 2 and 3, respectively the requirements under Art. 2b, paragraph 5 of the LDASRB, the Regulations for its implementation, as well as the specific rules adopted by Medical University-Plovdiv, as defined in the Regulations for Academic Development of Medical University-Plovdiv for occupying the academic position "PROFESSOR" in professional direction 7.3.


"Pharmacy". in the scientific specialty "Pharmacoeconomics and Pharmaceutical Regulation" for the needs of the Department of "Organization and Economics of Pharmacy" of the Faculty of Pharmacy at the Medical University of Plovdiv.

With this, I express my full support for his candidacy and I will confidently vote "YES" for the candidate occupying the academic position of "Professor".

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