## **OPINION**

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ON:

Contest for the academic position "Associate Professor" in Professional direction 7.3 "Pharmacy", Scientific specialty "Social medicine and organization of health care and pharmacy" for the needs of the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy, announced in SG no. 52 / 02.07.2019

The only candidate for the announced competition is Ch. Assistant Professor Sava Ognyanov Georgiev, Ph.D., born on November 29, 1970 in Silistra. He is a graduate of the School of Mathematics in Silistra, chemistry profile. In the period 1990-1995 he studied Pharmacy at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the Medical University - Sofia and in 1995 acquired a Master's degree in Pharmacy. In 1998. acquired a second Master's degree in Law and Business from the Veliko Turnovo University "St. Cyril and Methodius".

He started working as a master pharmacist in pharmacy and then transferred to the pharmaceutical business, where he gradually grew from medical representative to exclusive products director at Gideon Richter, Böhringer Ingelheim, Sopharma Trading S.A. Currently he is General Manager for Polpharma Pharmaceutical Plants AD for Bulgaria. In parallel, as a Chief Assist. Professor Ognianov conscientiously holds the academic position in the Scientific Pharmacy Laboratory of Social Pharmacy, Department of Physicochemistry, Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski". The teaching activity of Mr. Ognyanov includes classroom and extracurricular activities; innovations in teaching methods, provision of occupations in a practical environment outside the university or scientific organization. The academic load for the period December 2016 - June 2019 indicates that the annual academic load exceeds 400 hours. Ch. Assistant Professor Sava Ognyanov participated in the development of the curriculum for teaching English for pharmacy students in the discipline of History of Pharmacy and in the development of a curriculum in Cosmetic Legislation for masters of pharmacy in the specialty "Cosmetics and Household Chemistry" at the Faculty of Pharmacy and Chemsitry of Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski".

He is member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Hospital Pharmacists from September 2006 to October 2014; Vice-President of the Bulgarian Pharmaceutical Union from February 2007 to October

2010; Member of the Board of Directors of the Bulgarian Generic Pharmaceutical Association since March 2019, taking an active part in various working groups of government bodies and institutions.

The applicant's scientometric evaluation was performed in accordance with Art. 105, para 1 and art. 121, para 1 of the Regulations on the conditions and the order for acquiring scientific degrees and occupying academic positions at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", as well as the legislation in force in the country.

The candidate is awarded a Ph.D. degree in Professional Degree 7.3 Pharmacy and Science specialty Pharmacoeconomics and Pharmaceutical Regulation, issued by the Medical University of Plovdiv, Faculty of Pharmacy, on the basis of a defended dissertation "Positioning of Some Sartans on Antihypertensives market in Bulgaria".

The applicant has submitted information that since December 1, 2016 he has been occupying the academic position of "Chief Assistant Professor" at the Educational and Scientific Laboratory "Social Pharmacy" at the Department of Physicochemistry of the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" (Copy from a contract of employment with Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski"; Copies-extracts from a workbook; Certificate No. 185 dated July 16, 2019, issued by Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" that at the date of issue of the certificate there are 2 years, 7 months and 5 days work experience as Chief Assistant.).

Scientific production of Assoc.Prof. Sava Ognyanov Georgiev, PhD, is grouped in 3 lists, prepared by sections, in accordance with the latest amendments to the Academic Staff Development Act and the Rules for Implementation of the Academic Staff Development Act in the Republic of Bulgaria, as follows:

1.List of all scientific production

Habilitation work / monograph - 1 item

Collected chapter of a collective monograph - 39 issues

Publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-renowned databases of scientific information - 22 issues, 5 of them in print. 9 of the scientific publications are with Impact Factor.

Publications and reports published in non-refereed scientific peer-reviewed journals or in peer-reviewed collective volumes - 58, two scientific papers are in print.

## 2. List of non-dissertation research outputs

Habilitation work / monograph - 1 item

Collected chapter of a collective monograph - 37 issues

Publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-renowned databases of scientific information - 20, 5 of them in print. 6 of the scientific publications are with Impact Factor.

Publications and reports published in non-refereed scientific peer-reviewed journals or in edited collective volumes - 54, two scientific papers are in print.

3. List of scientific products after the thesis defense

Habilitation work / monograph - 1 item

Chapter of a collective monograph published - 31 issues

Publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-renowned scientific information databases - 8, 5 of which are in print. 2 of the scientific publications are with Impact Factor.

Publications and reports published in non-refereed scientific peer-reviewed journals or in peer-reviewed collective volumes - 48, two scientific papers are in print.

Reference from the Central Medical Library of the Medical University of Sofia, which maintains specialized medical databases is made to the citations. There are 11 citations to the applicant's scientific output.

Data are presented for participation in two scientific projects: Project BG05M2OP001-2.009-0028 "Achieving an Optimal Environment for Training, Research, Innovation and Sustainable Development of Human Capital in the Chemical Sciences: Adapting Education Today to Tomorrow" and Project "Study of the system for reporting adverse reactions among pharmacists and patients in Bulgaria 2017" under contract with the University Fund for Research.

The research and professional interests of Chief Assist. Prof. Ognyanov focuses on pharmaceutical marketing and management, the economic aspects of pharmacy, theories of pharmaceutical management, drug promotion, advertising and information, communication strategies and skills, working in a multicultural and multilingual environment, etc.

The presented scientific production in terms of quantity and quality exceeds significantly the minimum national requirements for occupation of the academic position of "associate professor" in the field of Higher

education 7. "Health and sports", respectively Professional direction 7.3 "Pharmacy".

In conclusion

Based on the documentation provided, I believe that it fully complies with the requirements of the Academic Staff Development Act in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Regulations for the implementation of the Academic Staff Development Act in the Republic of Bulgaria, and the Rules for the Terms and Conditions for Acquiring Degrees and Lending of academic positions at Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski". My personal observations confirm my confidence in the teaching skills and scientific capacity of the applicant, for which I strongly support the occupation of the academic position of Assistant Professor by Assoc.Prof. Sava Ognyanov Georgiev, Ph.D.

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