# Procedure for an Acknowledgement of a Assoc. Prof.

Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski"

Area of Higher Education: 4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics Professional Direction: 4.2. Chemistry (Biophysical chemistry)

Applying person: Assist. Prof. Nikolai Aleksandrov Grozev, Ph.D.

### **STATEMENT**

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Mr. Chairman,

This statement has been made in accordance with all documents of the applicant, as well as, in accordance with the requirements of the law and of the rules for procedures in the Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski".

The main paragraphs, concerning the present procedure are given below along with some comments of mine.

The successful applicant for a Assoc. Prof. position in the Sofia University"St. Kliment Ohridski". has to:

## 1. Be a Ph.D. holder

## Comment:

According to the applicant's documents, Dr. Grozev has been a Ph.D. holder since 2002. Dissertation title: " "Mechanical, electrical and chemical properties of layers of linear polyester and crosslinked lignin-like polymers at the water-air interface".

# 2. Be an academic position holder

#### Comment:

According to the applicant's documents, Dr. Grozev has been a holder of the academic position Assistant Professor in Sofia University since 2008. He has been working for the Sofia University"St. Kliment Ohridski" for 18 years, 13 of them as an Assistant Professor.

Assoc Dr. Grozev has also been working as a researcher for certain years in several foreign Universities.

- 3. Be an author of a monograph or of equivalent articles, published in scientific journals, directly related to the area of interest.
- 4. Be an author of other than the scientific publications or patents, described in 3.

## Comment:

Dr. Grozev is an author of 32 scientific publications, 18 of which are presented for this procedure, i.e.:

- 1. Q1 Scientific publications 7
- 2. Q2 Scientific publications 4
- 3. Q3 Scientific publications 4
- 4. Q4 Scientific publication 1
- 5. SJR Scientific publications 2

The habilitation thesis of Dr. Grozev has incorporated 5 from the above listed scientific publications.

He has found 171 citations on all of his publications. The author's Hirsh index is 9.

This information represents Dr. Grozev as a recognized author.

The area of investigation of Dr. Grozev is connected with studying of ion-specific effects on foams, establishment of the properties of super wetting compounds, flotation of mineral particles, chemical destruction of foams and emulsions, as well as in studying the behaviour of surface active compounds (including bioactive ones) organized in monomolecular layers (adsorbed or deposited).

5. To meet both the minimum national requirements for holding an academic position, set by the Ministry of education (https://www.mon.bg/bg/57) and the special demands of the Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" (https://wW\v.uni-sofia.bg)

#### Comment:

According to the applicant's documents Dr. Grozev meets all the above-mentioned requirements.

The applicant's duties as a lecturer have to be underlined too. Dr. Grozev has delivered lectures on "Physical Chemistry - I, II and III", as well as, "The Environment and Disperse Systems" for B.S. students.

Dr. Grozev has supervised 1 M.S. student.

He participated in 15 scientific conferences, as well as, in 14 research projects.

### **Conclusion:**

All the above-mentioned facts concerning the complete research and teaching experience, and the administrative activities of Dr. Grozev, give me a strong base to declare that he meets all the requirements for holding an academic position ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, in the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy of the Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", Area of Higher Education: 4. Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Informatics, Professional Direction: 4.2.

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