



Opinion

for awarding the academic position "professor",
of **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Konstantinov Vasilev, MD**,
in the field of higher education: 7. Healthcare and sports;
professional field 7.1. Medicine;
scientific specialty "Vascular Surgery"

from

Prof. Dr. Tanyo Manolov Kavrov, MD

Member of the scientific jury

under the procedure for holding the academic position of "professor",
according to Order № 27 of 05.02.2021 of
The Rector of the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov ", Burgas

At the announced competition in the State Gazette no. no. 105 / 11.12.2020, one candidate appeared - Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Konstantinov Vasilev, MD, who meets the requirements and criteria of the Regulations on the terms and conditions for obtaining scientific degrees and for holding academic positions at the University " Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov ", Burgas.

According to the scientometric indicators of the university, compliant with the Law for development of the academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for application of the law for development of the academic staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the minimum requirements for the candidates for professor are to have 670 points. Valentin Vasilev has 1371 points, which is more than twice the requirements.

The candidate obtained the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in 2009 and is an associate professor of "Surgery" since 2015. at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov ", Burgas.

His teaching experience is 9 years and dates back to 2012, and his workload in the last 7 years is over 200 hours. The candidate has an enviable teaching experience and teaching experience.

His surgical experience is 36 years and his vascular surgery experience is 21 years. He is an established specialist in practice and has proven achievements and professionalism in his field.

The candidate is the author of a habilitation thesis: "Peripheral atherosclerotic disease in diabetics", ISBN 978-619-7559-12-5. University "Prof. Dr. Assen Zlatarov", Burgas, 2020

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Vasilev, MD, has enough scientific output, and for awarding and holding the scientific position of "professor" has presented:

-publications and reports published in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information (Scopus; Web of Science), a total of 17;

-publications and reports published in unrefereed journals with scientific review or published in edited collective volumes - 20 pcs. and

-two teaching aids. As the material presented, in the latter, is concise, pedagogical, competently constructed and is on a modern level.

There are also a total of 43 citations of his scientific works, of which citations or reviews in scientific journals, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information or in monographs and collective volumes - 6 issues and citations in monographs and collective volumes with scientific review. - 12 pieces.

The scientific contributions from the research activity of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Vasilev, MD can be related to the following areas:

Diagnosis, surgical treatment and prevention of gallstone disease and its complications.

Diagnosis, surgical treatment and prevention of socially significant visceral diseases - surgical treatment of anterior abdominal wall hernias,

Treatment of surgical diseases of the thyroid gland, surgical treatment of colorectal cancer, assessment of quality of life after surgery for colorectal cancer, diagnosis and treatment of acute abdominal surgery

Diagnosis, treatment and medical and social prevention of diabetes mellitus and leading surgical complications.

Diagnosis, surgical interventions and prevention of leading socially significant diseases of the circulatory system.

Innovative approaches in the organization and management of healthcare and medical education.

Of particular interest is the endovascular treatment of vascular lesions in diabetics, presented in his habilitation thesis "Peripheral atherosclerotic disease in diabetics"

Conclusion:

The scientometric criteria and quantitative indicators for the scientific, teaching and medical activity of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Konstantinov Vasilev, MD, meet the requirements and criteria for "professor" of the Regulations on the terms and conditions for obtaining scientific degrees and taking academic positions at the University "Prof. Dr. Asen Zlatarov ", Burgas.

I give a positive assessment to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valentin Konstantinov Vasilev, MD for the academic position of "professor" and I suggest to the members of the scientific jury to vote positively for his candidacy.

Prof.  Kavrakov, MD

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