

**To the Chairman of the Scientific Jury  
Designated by Order No I-52/28.04.2023**

## **STATEMENT**

From

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REFERRED: Filling of the academic position of PROFESSOR in the scientific specialty "Pharmacology (incl. Pharmacokinetics and Chemotherapy)", in the field of higher education 7. "Health and Sport", in the professional field 7.3. "Pharmacy", for the needs of the Department of "Virology", Laboratory "Modifiers of biological response and pathogenesis of viral infections".

Based on the Order No. I-52/28.04.2023, I am included in the composition of the scientific jury for conducting a competition for the academic position of "Professor" in the scientific specialty "Pharmacology (including pharmacokinetics and chemotherapy)" and I am appointed to prepare an opinion according to the requirements of the Regulations on the Conditions and Procedure for Acquisition of Scientific Degrees and for Holding Academic Positions in the Institute of Microbiology "Stefan Angelov" at BAS.

The only candidate in the announced competition is Assoc. Milka Milcheva Mileva.

### **Biographical data**

Milka Milcheva Mileva graduated with a Master's Degree in Chemistry in 1993. She completed her studies with a thesis on "Effect of Rimantadine, Vitamin E and Cold Immobilization Stress on Oxidative Damage in an Experimental Model of Influenza Virus Infection".

From 2009 to 2011 she was a senior assistant at the Institute of Microbiology "Stefan Angelov" - BAS, Section "Microbial Biochemistry".

Since 2011 - till now he holds the position of "Associate Professor" at the Institute of Microbiology "Stefan Angelov" - BAS, Department of Virology".

Since 2017 she is the head of the laboratory "Modifiers of biological response and Pathogenesis of viral infections".

### **Research activities**

In this competition Assoc. Milka Mileva participates with 62 publications, of the first and/or corresponding author - 32; 6 published chapters of a book or collective monograph; the number of citations - 716; **h-index = 15**.

The candidate's scientific data can be summarized and compared with the recommended quantitative requirements for holding the academic position of "professor" according to the Regulations for the Application of the Law of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, as well as according to the Supplementary Requirements of the Institute of Microbiology (IMicB).

Indicator	The requirement under the Implementing Rules according to Regulations for the Application of the Law of the Republic of Bulgaria – points for „professor“ according to IMicB	<b>Assoc. Prof. Milka Mileva – points according to the regulations of IMicB</b>	The requirement under the Implementing Rules according to Regulations for the Application of the Law of the Republic of Bulgaria – points for „professor“ according to Area 7. Health and Sport	<b>Assoc. Prof. Milka Mileva – points according to the regulations of Area 7. Health and Sport</b>
A (1)	50	50	50	50
Б (2)	-	-	-	-
B (3,4)	100	257	100	111,78
Г (5-9)	220	318,32	200	262,85
Д (10-12)	120	800	400	850
E (13-19) for IMicB		340		273
<b>Total:</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>1765,32</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>1547,64</b>

It is noteworthy that the candidate exceeds many times the mandatory quantitative requirements for holding the academic position of "professor" according to the Regulations for

the Application of the Law of the Republic of Bulgaria and the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, as well as according to the Additional Requirements of the Institute of Microbiology.

The candidate is involved in a total of 13 projects, of which 5 she is the supervisor.

### **Teaching and learning**

For the period 2019-2022, Assoc. Milka Mileva has 800 hours of lectures and 240 hours of exercises in master and educational programs at Sofia University, Medical University, and South West University. For the period 2005-2009, Assoc. Milka Mileva has 120 hours of lectures and 190 hours of exercises at Yordanka Filaretova Medical College. She has defended 2 Ph.D. students; 1 was dismissed with the right to defend and 1 - in the current procedure.

### **CONCLUSION**

**The comprehensive evaluation of the candidate shows a scientific production that exceeds the quantitative and qualitative requirements of the Law for the Development of Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for the Conditions and Procedure for the Acquisition of Scientific Degrees and for Holding Academic Positions at the Institute of Microbiology "Stefan Angelov" at BAS.**

**The candidate is active in teaching with a heavy teaching load.**

**On this basis, I confidently propose the members of the Honourable Scientific Jury vote POSITIVELY for the academic position of "Professor" in the scientific specialty "Pharmacology (incl. Pharmacokinetics and Chemotherapy)", in the field of higher education 7. "Health and Sport", in the professional field 7.3. "Pharmacy", for the needs of the Department of "Virology", Laboratory "Modifiers of biological response and pathogenesis of viral infections", by Assoc. Prof. Milka Mileva.**

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