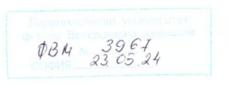
Statement



On the materials regarding participation in the competition for occupying the academic rank "Associate Professor", in higher education field 6. Agricultural sciences and veterinary medicine, 6.4. Veterinary medicine, science specialty "Animal Pathology", in the discipline "Propaedeutics of internal diseases", announced by Forestry University in State Gazette num. 18/1.3.2024, procedure code VM-AsP-0224-125.

Candidate:

1. Chief assistant Petar Strahilov Stamberov, PhD;

<u>Prepared the statement:</u> Associate Professor Tsanko Todorov Hristov, 6.4. Veterinary medicine, from Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Trakia University – Stara Zagora.

1. Short biography of the candidate(s)

Petar Strahilov Stamberov was born in 1978, graduated from the Collage of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine in Kostinbrod in 1997. In 2011 he graduated as a Master of Veterinary Medicine at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Forestry University, Sofia. Starting in march 2012 through march 2016 he worked as an assistant in the department of "Internal Diseases, Pathology and Pharmacology" at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Forestry University, Sofia. For three years (2016-2019) he practiced as a veterinarian at the University Small Animal Clinic at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Forestry University. During the period 2015-2018 he worked on his dissertation work "Studies on lead ammunition as a source of poisoning in wild birds and as an eco-toxicological risk", which he successfully defended. From the year 2019 he is a chief assistant in the Department of "Internal Diseases, Pathology and Pharmacology" of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Forestry University. He is fluent in spoken and written English and Spanish.

2. Compliance of the submitted documents and materials of the candidate(s) with the requirements according to the regulations for Academic Staff Development at the Forestry University;

The documents submitted for the participation of chief assistant Petar Strahilov Stamberov are in accordance with the minimal required criteria in accordance with the regalement for Academic Staff Development at the Forestry University for VM-AsP-0224-125

3. Evaluation of the educational and teaching abilities of the candidate(s)

The presented report of teaching activities show that during the last 4 years dr. Stamberov has an average curricular and extracurricular employment of over 360 hours per year in Bulgarian and another 353 hours per year in English. From 2019 until now dr. Stamberov has been conducting parts of the lecture course of the disciplines "Propaedeutics of Internal Diseases", "Toxicology" and "Game Diseases". Conducts exercises and seminars in Bulgarian and English for the disciplines "Propaedeutics of Internal Diseases" and "Mobile Clinic". He takes part in conducting the exams for the disciplines mention above.

4. Evaluation of the scientific, applied scientific and publication activity of the candidate(s)

4.1. Participation in scientific, scientific applied and educational projects.

Chief Asisstant Petar Stamberov has taken part in multiple scientific projects. Two of which (№ 13/19.01.2016 и № 23/19.01.2016) are related to his dissertation work. Under the leadership of Associate Professor dr. Ivona Dimitrova he was a part of the working team of a project of the Ministry of Education and Science – FNI No. B 01/22/05/12/2012. During 2023 dr. Stamberov became the head of scientific project NIS-B1295/19.10.2023 related to innovative methods for diagnosing inflammatory diseases in horses.

4.2. Characteristics of the published scientific results

The report presented by Chief Assistant Petar Stamberov on the publication activity for participation in the competition for "Associate Professor" fully meets the requirements for Academic Staff Development at the Forestry University. For indicator one a defended dissertation work is presented, on the topic of "Studies on lead ammunition as a source of poisoning in wild birds and as an eco-toxicological risk" – 50 points, 100% completion.

For indicator B4 – Habilitation thesis – scientific publications (no fewer than 10) in publications which are referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information: 10 publications are listed which bring the candidate 111.5 points. Performance of the indicator 111%

For indicator G6 a book related to the dissertation is presented – 40 points

For indicator G7 13 articles are presented, in 6 of which dr. Stamberov is the lead author. The total number of points is 173.6

Articles No. 5 and 6 of indicator D8 were published in the journal of Animal Husbandry BG, which since 2012 has been in the reference list of NACID (Id No. 2445) and should be evaluated with 30 points each, in the category of indicators D7. Thus the total number of points for the indicators in

4.3. Reflection of the candidate's scientific activity in the literature (citability)

For indicator D13, 11 citations are presented from scientific publications, referenced and indexed in world-famous databases. The sum of the points for indicator D3 is 165,

In indicator D14, 3 citations with a total of 30 items are documented.

For indicator D15, 2 citations with a total of 10 points are presented.

The total sum for indicator D is 205, which is well above the minimum requirement.

4.4. Contributions in the works of the candidate(s) (scientific, scientific applied, applied)

Out of the presented 1 book and 29 publications in the application of Chief Assistant Petar Stamberov a total of 18 contributions are presented: 10 of which original in nature and 8 of which confirmatory in nature. These contributions are well articulated and reflect the candidate's in-depth research in several scientific fields.

5. Assessment of the candidate's personal contributions

Dr. Stamberov has presented a book, 29 scientific publications and 2 popular science articles. One of the articles was published in a journal with an impact factor 6 in foreign refereed and indexed journals and a 10 in Bulgarian refereed and indexed journals. There are also 6 publications from participation in international scientific forums. In 11 of the publications presented Dr. Stemberov is the lead author, in 2 he is the second author and there are 4 independent articles. He actively participates in the teaching process of the Faculty, giving a large number of exercises and lectures in Bulgarian and English.

6. Critical notes and recommendations

For future reference, I would recommend dr. Stamberov to show more confidence and ambition, by publishing more articles in journals with IF and SJR. This would be very useful for both his personal and professional growth, as well as the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Forestry University, Sofia

7. Personal impressions

The materials presented for participations in the competition show a high level of scientific, research, applied and teaching activity of Chief Assistant Petar Stamberov. His diverse scientific interests as well as his excellent training stand out. My personal impression from our time spent together during a conference in 2023 are that dr Stamberov is a good and

engaging lecturer presenting the material in an academic, but very understandable and interesting way.

8. In conclusion

The documents submitted for participation in the competition comply with the rules for Academic Staff Development at the Forestry University. I give a positive assessment and SUGGEST that the candidate Chief Assistant Petar Strahilov Stamberov takes up the position of "associate professor" in the discipline "Propaedeutics of internal diseases" from 6.4. Veterinary Medicine.

Prepared the statement:

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