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# **OPINION**

## from Associate professor Doctor Veselka Vasileva Stoynova MD PhD

Head of the Diagnostic Imaging Clinic of Acibadem City Clinic Mladost, member of the Scientific Jury for the competition for the academic position "Associate Professor", in the scientific specialty "Medical Radiology and Roentgenology" for the needs of the Diagnostic Imaging Department of National Cardiology Hospital according to the competition announced in the Official Gazette, issue 23 from 14.03.2023 on the proposal of the Scientific Council of the NCH (pr. No. 5 from 28.02.2023)

**Regarding**: The candidacy of Dr. Svetla Emilova Dineva MD PhD Head of the Department of Diagnostic Imaging at the "National Cardiology Hospital" EAD

#### 1. Professional development

Dr. Svetla Dineva, after completing medicine at the Faculty of Medicine of the MU in the city of Plovdiv in 2009, is a doctor in the Imaging Diagnostics Clinic of the UMBAL "Alexandrovska" in Sofia and a doctoral student at the MU Sofia. In 2014, she defended her dissertation on the topic: "Modern possibilities of positron emission tomography and computer tomography in secondary malignant bone dissemination". In 2020, she obtained a European diploma in radiology EDIR. In 2021-2022, she graduated in health management at Burgas University. From 2011 to 2020, she was successively a resident, assistant and chief assistant at the Diagnostic Imaging Clinic , "Aleksandrovska" EAD Medical Center and the Department of Imaging Diagnostics, MU-Sofia; From October 2020 to present day, she is the Head of Diagnostic Imaging Department at the National Cardiology Hospital. Doctor Dineva took part in a number of training courses incl. for Vascular and Non-Vascular Interventional Radiology Procedures at Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam, The Netherlands and at

Heraklion University Hospital, Crete, Greece, as well as Percutaneous Biliary Interventions, University Hospital and Faculty of Medicine, Brno, Czech Republic

#### 2. Scientific research activity

Dr. Dineva has 39 publications, of which Dr. Dineva published 20 articles after obtaining the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" and occupying the position of "chief assistant" at the Department of Imaging Diagnostics at Medical University, Sofia. Of them, in journals with an Impact Factor – six, five articles were published in refereed and indexed journals, nine articles have been published in refereed journals.

Dr. Svetla Dineva demonstrates deep and diverse interests in various areas of imaging such as Interventional Radiology, cardiothoracic, abdominal and urogenital imaging, as well as hybrid imaging methods. In the field of cardiovascular imaging, she has 8 publications, in oncological imaging - eight, in hybrid imaging - two, review articles - four. It is striking that all publications, as well as Dr. Dineva's dissertation work, concern current topics and have their real scientific contributions.

### 3. Educational and teaching activity

Dr. Dineva has been a lecturer at the Department of Imaging Diagnostics of Medical University of Sofia for 12 years, teaching students both in Bulgarian and English. Participates in training of specialists in imaging diagnostics, neurology, cardiology and pediatrics. According to a reference from the Academic Department at the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the Medical University for total classroom employment from student teaching in Bulgarian and English and SDO for the period 2020-2022, Dr. Dineva has a total of 755 academics hours., and for the training of specialists in imaging diagnostics - 2021 - a total of 126 academic hours for 2022 - a total of 1,449 academic hours.

**CONCLUSION**: Dr. Dineva is the only candidate in the competition for "Assistant Professor" in the scientific specialty "Medical Radiology and Roentgenology" for the needs of the Imaging Department of the National Cardiology Hospital.

On the basis of her extensive professional experience as a respected doctor and specialist in imaging diagnostics, an excellent teacher who works to motivate and build new promising personnel and a scientist with a multifaceted activity and in accordance with the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff at MU-Sofia, I give positive assessment and I recommend to the members of the respected scientific jury to choose the candidate Dr. Svetla Emilova Dineva, MD.

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