

Opinion

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regarding

dissertation work for awarding the educational and scientific degree "Doctor"

Professional field - Dentistry

Doctoral program - Oral surgery

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Form of doctoral studies: full-time doctoral student

Department of Oral Surgery at FDM-MU-Varna

Topic "Oral Traumatic Lesions"

Scientific supervisor: Prof. Dr. Rosen Kolarov, MD

This opinion was prepared on the basis of Order No. R-109-510/29.11.2023. of the Rector of the MU - Varna, in connection with the procedure for the protection of the above-mentioned dissertation work on the scientific specialty: Oral surgery 03.03.04, and in implementation of the ZRASB, the Regulations for the implementation of the ZRASB and the Rules for the organization and operation of the University of Varna.

1. General presentation of the procedure and the doctoral student

The presented set of materials on paper / electronic media is in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations of the University of Varna . All documents are prepared and presented properly.

The PhD student presented three articles in connection with the dissertation work.

Dr. Ivan Dimitrov graduated in dentistry in 2012. As a full-time doctoral student at the Department of Oral Surgery of FDM-Varna and as a dental practitioner, he gained sufficient experience in the field of oral surgery.

It is clear from the presented documentation that Dr. Dimitrov possesses the necessary scientific competence and professional qualification to acquire the educational and scientific degree "Doctor"

2. Relevance of the topic

My thesis submitted for opinion examines an actual problem of oral surgery. Traumatic oral lesions have always been an actual problem for clinicians . The various etiological factors leading to their appearance often creates a problem in the correct diagnosis and hence in the development of an optimal treatment plan. Taking into account the appearance of some systemic diseases precisely with the appearance of such lesions in the oral cavity, the importance of additional research, as well as collaboration with a number of medical specialists to clarify the exact cause of their occurrence, should be indicated. The clarification of the etiological factor in these cases is often leading not only to the treatment of the lesion itself, but generally to the general treatment of the patient.

In this sense, the choice of the topic of the dissertation work is relevant and dissertable .

3. Knowing the problem

The literary review is based on 180 sources, of which 177 are in Latin and 3 are in Cyrillic. The book writing is done according to the requirements. The literature review is comprehensive, targeted, analytical and covers all aspects of the problem. The current state of the problem is skilfully outlined and unsolved problems are extracted.

On the basis of this overview, the goal of the scientific development was derived : " To characterize the main oral traumatic lesions, clarifying their relationship with certain local and systemic factors." "

Dr. Dimitrov knows the state of the problem and creatively evaluates the literary material.

4. Characterization and evaluation of the dissertation work and contributions

The dissertation contains 141 pages. It is illustrated with 62 tables and 79 figures. The bibliography includes 180 literary sources.

The structure of proposals for work evaluation meets the requirements for dissertation development according to the Regulations of MU-Varna and ZRASRB.

To achieve the set goal, the dissertationer has set himself 4 tasks, and the second task contains two subtasks. They are quite sufficient to substantiate the developed thesis.

The clinical material (56 patients) on which the study is conducted is sufficient in volume. The material and methods sections are constructed correctly and comprehensively. The results are well structured and illustrated. The research conducted found that traumatic lesions manifesting as a defect in the structure of soft tissues are more common than exophytic lesions. In addition, the buccal mucosa and gingiva were found to be most vulnerable to the occurrence of traumatic lesions. As a conclusion, the need for a histological examination in the presence of an exophytic lesion is indicated .

The analysis and discussion of the results show good professional training and in-depth clinical thinking of the doctoral student.

The conclusions are eleven and a logical consequence of the obtained results. Contributions are original, applied and confirmatory in nature.

5. Abstract

The author's abstract of the dissertation work is made according to the requirements and reflects the main results obtained by the author.

CONCLUSION

Dr. Ivan Nikolaev Dimitrov submitted to me for opinion on "Oral Traumatic Lesions" treats a topical problem of oral surgery related to the treatment of various types of lesions in the oral cavity, as well as in the clarification of their genesis. In this sense, the choice of the topic of the dissertation work is very relevant.

The in-depth literature review and its creative evaluation allowed Dr. Dimitrov to derive the goal of the scientific development, namely " To characterize the main oral traumatic lesions, clarifying their relationship with certain local and systemic factors." "

The dissertation contains clinical material that is of scientific interest. The presentation and interpretation of the results gives me reason to assume that the dissertation represents a completed scientific study and is the personal work of the doctoral student.

Evaluating the merits of this work I accept that has been completed in accordance with the requirements of the Higher Education Institution, the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria and the Regulations for its Application for the Acquisition of the Doctoral Degree.

The presented materials and dissertation results correspond to the specific requirements of the Regulations of the Ministry of Education - Varna, adopted in connection with the application of the RASRD.

Due to the above, I give my **positive assessment** to the dissertation work presented to me for opinion and **propose to the honorable scientific jury to award the educational and scientific degree "Doctor"** to Dr. Ivan Nikolaev Dimitrov , Doctoral Program - Oral Surgery, code 03.03.04.

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