

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ON A DECISION

### of the Accreditation Council

### regarding the results of the evaluation conducted in the procedure for programme accreditation of the doctoral programme “Pharmacology” in professional field 7.1. “Medicine”, area of higher education 7. “Healthcare and Sports” at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

The procedure was opened by the Accreditation Council on 30.04.2020 at the request of the President of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (Incoming Ref. No 138/27.02.2020). The Expert Group, approved by the Accreditation Council on 30.06.2022, performed an inspection of the evaluated institution on **18.07.2022**.

At a meeting held on **13.09.2022**, the Standing Committee on Healthcare and Sports adopted the report of the Expert Group and, based on it, prepared a report on the results of the evaluation conducted in the procedure for programme accreditation of the doctoral programme “Pharmacology” in professional field 7.1. “Medicine”, area of higher education 7. “Healthcare and Sports” at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.

The report of the Standing Committee reflected **findings and assessments on the compliance of the presented evidence with the criteria system for the implemented procedure, in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG) – part 1 (1-10) and within the meaning of Art. 78, para. 3 of the Higher Education Act (Table 5).**

On 20.10.2022, the Accreditation Council approved the report of the Standing Committee and voted, based on the “Rules for voting on procedures for accreditation and project evaluation”, adopted by NEAA.

After summarising the results of the voting, the Accreditation Council took the following **decisions**:

- 1. The Accreditation Council awards programme accreditation to the doctoral programme “Pharmacology” in professional field 7.1. “Medicine” at the Institute of Neurobiology at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, based on an overall grade of 9.40 (nine point forty hundredths).**
- 2. The term of validity of the accreditation is until the next programme accreditation according to Art. 81, para. 2 of the Higher Education Act and the Schedule for accreditation of professional fields.**

The Accreditation Council formulated the following **recommendations**:

1. Organise the conduct of courses with a wider thematic scope in the field of pharmacology with a reassessment of the credit system and the rules for recognising courses and trainings in other universities, by carrying out surveys regarding the satisfaction with the quality of training of doctoral students.

***Deadline: permanent***

2. Provide doctoral students with free remote access to global scientific databases when working distantly.

*Deadline: permanent*

3. Seek and use opportunities for funding projects related to improving the material base at the Institute of Neurobiology.

*Deadline: permanent*

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