

28°C; установяване на реалните бактерицидни концентрации (Real Bactericidal Concentration, RBC) след 24 h и 48 h инкубиране при 28°C спрямо *Aeromonas hydrophila* (ATCC 7965) на пчелно млечице (средно 8.3% v/v), рапичен мед и смеси на пчелно млечице и рапичен мед (1:100 w/w) – 30 % (v/v), показване на по-висок антibактериален ефект на пчелното млечице и рапичния мед в съотношение 1:100 (w/w) спрямо *S. aureus* (MRSA), в сравнение със самостоятелното използване на рапичен мед; установяване на реалната бактерицидна концентрация (Real Bactericidal Concentration, RBC) възлизаша на 13.3 % (v/v) пчелно млечице спрямо *S. aureus* (MRSA), след 24 h и 48 h инкубиране при 35°C – оригинален принос; установяване на реалната бактерицидна концентрация (Real Bactericidal Concentration, RBC) на средно 15 % (v/v) пчелно млечице спрямо *C. albicans* (ATCC 10231), след 24 h и 48 h инкубиране при 37°C в Sabourand 2% Dextrose Broth – оригинален принос и установяване, че като Реални Бактерицидни Концентрации (РБК, Real Bactericidal Concentration, RBC), следва да се интерпретират онези концентрации на пчелно млечице, манов и рапичен пчелен мед, комбинация на пчелно млечице и рапичен пчелен мед (1:100 w/w) или спиртен екстракт на прополис, при които след 24-часови и 48-часови инкубации в специфични за съответните микроорганизми обогатителни бульони и субкултивиране на селективни хранителни среди не се установява дори една колония (0 CFU/ml или 100%-ово инхибиране).

Потвърдителни приноси относно определяне на антимикробната активност е използван метода на Molan (Molan, 1992a), проведен с известни промени, изразяващи се в предварително тестване на антибиотичната чувствителност на изолат от плазмокоагулаза положителен *Staphylococcus spp.*, последвано от изолиране на чиста култура на кръвен агар, посяване в обикновен бульон и инкубация при 37°C за 24 часа за постигане на по-плътен растеж, за разлика от оригиналната методика, при която инкубацията е за 5 часа при 37°C (Molan, 1992a); установяване, че между различните преби манов мед има различия по отношение на тяхната обща антibактериална активност – потвърдителен принос; при определяне на антимикробната активност на манов мед за първи път в нашата страна е констатирано наличие на двойни зони на потискане растежа на плазмокоагулаза положителен *Staphylococcus spp.* като непосредствено около кладенчетата на накапване на разтворите е установена ясна зона на пълна липса на колонии (бактерициден ефект), а около нея е наблюдавана втора зона на частична липса на растеж на микроорганизма (бактериостатичен ефект) – потвърдителен принос; доказване на специфична непероксидазна антимикробна активност еквивалентна на 14.07 UMF (unique manuka factor) при проба манов мед, добит през 2006 г. в пчелин, разположен в околностите на гр. Маджарово, съгласно утвърдената методология за интерпретация на непероксидазната антимикробна активност на пчелния мед.

В професионалните, социалните и публичните си изяви доц. Динков се отличава с доказано професионално отношение към служебните си задължения и изключителна принципност. Той е сред най-активните и е истински професионалист в системата на Ветеринарномедицинския факултет на Тракийския университет. Това са моите лични впечатления от дългогодишното ни познанство. Студентите и магистрите винаги са изразявали и споделяли това мое становище. Изключително трудолюбив, самостоятелен, дори малко повече отколкото е необходимо.

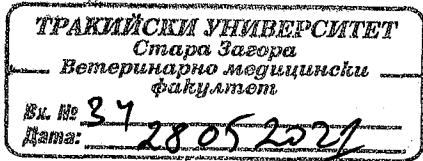
В заключение считам, че доц. Динко Христов Динков е изграден учен и има нюх и способности на изследовател. Ползва се с авторитет в научните ветеринарномедицински среди. Всичко това ми дава основание да препоръчам на Научното жури да вземе положително решение и предложи на Научния съвет да присъди на доц. Динко Христов Динков академичната степен „Доктор на науките“ по научна специалност "Ветеринарно - санитарна експертиза", област на висшето образование 6.0. Аграрни науки и ветеринарна медицина, професионално направление 6.4. Ветеринарна медицина към ТРУ – Ст. Загора.

Дата 27.05.2021г.

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OPINION

by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ilian Radev Kostov - Deputy Director of the Risk Assessment Center on Food Chain, Sofia, 136 Tsar Boris III Blvd.

Subject: evaluation of a dissertation work on "Studies on the quality and safety of bee products", presented by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Dinko Hristov Dinkov for the acquisition of SD "Doctor of Science" in the scientific work "Studies on the quality and safety of bee products", field of higher education 6.0. Agricultural sciences and veterinary medicine, professional field 6.4. Veterinary Medicine

At the first meeting of the scientific jury, held on 18.05.2021, it was decided that I am supposed to prepare an Opinion on the attached documentation and materials for the competition. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Dinko Hristov Dinkov, who is the only candidate, has been admitted to the competition for the acquisition of the Doctor of Science. The name of the scientific work is "Studies on the quality and safety of bee products".

At an extended Departmental Council' meeting held on 24.04.2021, where the dissertation work was discussed and after hearing the preliminary reviews and the subsequent discussions and debates, it was unanimously decided that the work is completed and can be presented for official defense in front of a 7-member scientific jury.

Biographical data about the dissertant

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Dinko Hristov Dinkov was born on August 26, 1968 in the town of Dimitrovgrad, Haskovo region. He completed his primary education in his hometown. In 1987 he completed his secondary education at the Professional School of Veterinary Medicine in Stara Zagora. After successfully passing the candidate-student exam and completing his military service in 1989, he was enrolled as a student of veterinary medicine at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Thracian University (then VIZVM) in Stara Zagora.

He graduated in 1995 and received the qualification of "veterinarian". In the same year, passing a competitive exam, he was accepted as an assistant in the Department of Hygiene, Technology and Control of Food Products of Animal Origin, Veterinary Legislation and Management at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Thracian University, Stara Zagora.

In 1999, after a successful attestation, he was promoted to the position of "senior assistant", and in 2002 - to "chief assistant".

In December 2005 he successfully defended his dissertation on "Studies on the optimization of veterinary and sanitary control of honey" and was awarded the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in the scientific specialty 04.03.11 "Veterinary and sanitary expertise".

In 2012 he was elected associate professor in the Department of Hygiene, Technology and Food Control, Veterinary Legislation and Management.

The dissertant's work participates in the competition with a total of 19 scientific publications related to the dissertation, of which 8 pcs. of scientific publications are in journals with Impact Factor (IF) and Impact Rank (SJR), and in referenced and indexed in world-famous databases with scientific information: 1 pc. was published in a journal with Impact Factor (IF = 0.22), and 7 pcs. were published in journals with Impact Rank (SJR) with total Impact Rank (SJR) = 1.425.

From the presented reference for the citations of the scientific works of Assoc. Prof. Dr.

Dinko Hristov Dinkov, it is evident, that they are 7 from 13 citations in journals with IF and the total IF of the citations is 8.6088, as the citations in journals without IF - 7 pcs.

The ideas for realization of his scientific researches are a result of his practical and successful professional realization. I appreciate these facts with dignity and adding the high level of the dissertation work.

The main part of the conducted research is associated to a research on the quality and safety of bee products. The dissertation work is written on 366 pages and is illustrated with 49 tables and 21 figures, and three goals are formulated in it:

1. Carrying out studies of the species and quality characteristics, as well as the conditions for processing and storage of honey obtained in compliance with the requirements for certified organic production and conventionally produced honey from different regions of Bulgaria.

2. Studies of the criteria for organic and conventional production, quality requirements and indicators related to the safety of pollen from 8 regions of Bulgaria.

3. In vitro determination of the antibacterial activity of propolis, various types of honey and royal jelly.

In fulfillment of the three goals and the related tasks of the dissertation work, a total of 1139 samples of bee products (honey, pollen, royal jelly and propolis) were studied.

The contributions in the scientific works of Assoc. Prof. Dinkov are divided into three sections, which correspond to the implementation of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd set goals. From the review made by me, it is evident, that the set tasks have been successfully completed with which Assoc. Prof. Dinko Hristov Dinkov resulting in the following scientific original and confirmatory contributions:

Goal 1:

Original scientific contributions to scientific research more than 11 types of honey; development and testing of transformed equipment for sample preparation, enumeration and calculation of pollen grains in 10 g of honey, using a Bürker camera and establishing criteria for processing and storage of organically produced honey.

Confirmatory contributions in the species composition and quality characteristics of the produced honey according to the requirements for organic honey production from the region of Kalofer and the quality indicators for the Bulgarian rapeseed honey=

Goal 2:

Original scientific contributions in specifying the requirements for processing, storage and sale of pollen, produced under the requirements for conventional and certified organic production; determination of water content and total mineral composition of pollen from 8 regions of Bulgaria; microbiological studies of undried and dried bee pollen from 8 regions of Bulgaria; detection of higher values of microorganisms of the family *Enterobacteriaceae* in non-dried ($1.32 \times 10^{4-5} \times 10^{4}$ CFU / g), compared to dried bee pollen ($7.5 \times 10^2 - 8.5 \times 10^3$ CFU / g); no causative agents of diseases of animal origin (Regulation (EU) 1441 / 2007) have been found to cause disease in humans of the family Enterobacteriaceae; detection of contamination by *Pantoea* spp. (*P.agglomerans* and *P.agglomerans* BGP6) in the highest degree in all tested samples (100%); development of veterinary assessment, with a view to prevention of *E. coli* pollen detection of dried bee pollen in one-year refrigerated storage ($0-4^\circ\text{C}$) in vacuum state *Prot. mirabilis*, which has not been found in additional storage of the product for 1 year under the same conditions.

A confirmatory contribution to water activity in undried bee pollen has shown values

distinguished by a proven professional attitude towards his official duties and exceptional principledness. He is among the most active and is a true professional in the system of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of the Thracian University. These are my personal impressions from our long acquaintance. Students and master students have always expressed and shared this opinion of mine. Extremely hardworking, independent, even a little more than necessary.

In conclusion, I believe that Assoc. Prof. Dinko Hristov Dinkov is a experienced scientist and has the flair and abilities of a researcher. He enjoys authority in the scientific veterinary medical circles. All this gives me a reason to recommend to the Scientific Jury to make a positive decision and proposed to the Scientific Council to award to Ass. Prof. Dr. Dinko Hristov Dinkov the SD "Doctor of Science", field of higher education 6.0. Agricultural sciences and veterinary medicine, professional field 6.4. Veterinary Medicine.

27.05.2021

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Ass. Prof.Dr. Iliyan Kostov

Signed by: Iliyan Radev Kostov