

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Personal data

Date of birth

- 1992-04-01
 - Plovdiv, Bulgaria
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Education

10/2021-09/2022

- Master of Economics and Finance | Sofia University “Kliment Ohridski” | Faculty of Economics and Business Administration

10/2017-09/2019

- Master of Public Health and Health Management | Medical University Plovdiv | Faculty of Public Health

09/2012-12/2017

- Master’s degree in Medicine | Medical university - Plovdiv | Faculty of Medicine
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Professional history

09/2021-present

- Medical university - Plovdiv
 - Assistant professor in the Department of Social Medicine and Public Health
 - Teaching medical ethics; biostatistics; social medicine and public dental health.

12/2020-present

- Clinic “Medicus Alpha”
 - Healthcare | Physician
 - Consulting physician in internal medicine, sonography, and echocardiography

12/2017-03/2020.

- University Hospital “Plovdiv”
 - Healthcare | Resident doctor
 - Cardiology fellowship

NGO Memberships

2021 - present

- Doctors Network “Air for Health”

2013 - present

- “European Network for Creativity and Innovation”

2011-2017

- Student Council President | President of the GA

2012-2017

- Association of Medical Students in Bulgaria | Chairman of the Control Council | Secretary

Personal skills and competences

Teaching

- Winter semester 2021/22: Biostatistics | Medical Ethics | Public Dental Health
- Summer semester 2021/22: Social Medicine and Public Health
- Winter semester 2022/23: Biostatistics | Medical Ethics | Public Dental Health
- Summer semester 2022/23: Social Medicine and Public Health
- Winter semester 2023/24: Biostatistics | Medical Ethics | Public Dental Health | Clinical Trial Design and Non-Interventional Studies
- Summer semester 2023/24: Social Medicine and Public Health
- Winter semester 2024/25: Biostatistics | Medical Ethics | Public Dental Health | Clinical Trial Design and Non-Interventional Studies

Language

Bulgarian

- Native

English

- First Certificate in English (FCE) - Cambridge English Language Assessment | Reading C1 | Writing B2 | Use of English C1 | Listening B2 | Speaking C1

Social skills

Engaging in academic and instructional endeavors within a diverse setting encompassing students from medical, dental, pharmacy, and nursing disciplines. Contributing to postgraduate programs with attendees hailing from various continents. Actively involved in social and charitable initiatives of non-profit and non-governmental entities. Professional development in Ireland, Greece, Austria, and Finland.

Computer skills

Programming languages and tools

- *Data analysis* R | Python | SPSS | SAS | STATA | Orange | Jamovi | JASP
- *Other Linux*; R studio; MySQL; Latex; VS code; html; CSS; Quarto; Pandoc; Microsoft 365; Google Workspace

Other

- Driving license

Professional organization membership

National

2016 Youth Scientific Society “Asclepius”

2017 Bulgarian Medical Association

2017 Society of Cardiologists in Bulgaria

2020 Bulgarian Scientific Society of Public Health

2020 Bulgarian Public Health Association

2016 Association of trainers and researchers in general medicine in Bulgaria

2020 Association for Social Research and Applied Research Practices

International

2020 European Public Health Association

2022 World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA)

Publications

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10. Kiani F, Kostadinov K, Stefanov R, Mandova V. Dentophobia-latent component factor analysis of dental concerns assessment scale. Open Access Maced J Med Sci. 2023;11: 53–58. doi:10.3889/oamjms.2023.9749
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Project activity

University projects

09/2021

- “Rapid microbiological diagnosis of genital infections in women and men - comparative analysis” № NO-03/2020 (NO-P-8445). Research project funded under the Regulation of the Ministry of Education and Science of 01.01.2017 on the conditions and procedure for planning, allocation and spending of funds earmarked from the state budget for the scientific or artistic-creative activities inherent to higher education institutions.

09/2022

- “Antimicrobial activity of canal filling agents for the treatment of endodontic infection of temporary teeth” | PhD and postdoctoral projects | 04/01.09.2021

09/2023

- “Study of the relationship between unculturable and difficult-to-cultivate microorganisms with fertile function in men with symptomatic and asymptomatic lower genitourinary tract infections” | Intramural project No: NO-17/2023

10/2023

- “Comparative study on modern microbiological methods for rapid etiological diagnosis of urinary tract infections” | PhD and postdoctoral projects | 10/2023

National projects

04/2021

- National scientific program “Young scientists and postdoctoral fellows” | P-322/08.03.2021

International projects

3-17/11/2013

- Nuclear Pharmacy Integrated Course for Students in Pharmacy, Medicine, Medical Physics and Nuclear Chemistry (NuPhICos) | Erasmus Intensive Program Project | 2013-1-BG-ERA10-00320

06-08/09/2014

- European Medical Students Congress | Rare diseases and orphan Drugs | Plovdiv

02/2020

- Promoters of advanced oncogenetics open online training and multimedia raise awareness on multidisciplinary assessment of patients and their families at risk of hereditary or familial cancer | HOPE How Oncogenetics Predicts & Educates | Erasmus+ program | 2018-1-RO01-KA202-049189

03/2020-05/2020

- “Interdisciplinarity, multiculturalism and patient handling in non-standard situation in the context of didactic activities in the field of medical sciences and health sciences in Simulation Medical Centres” | project No. 2019-1-PL01-KA203-065205 under the Erasmus Programme | Key Action 2: Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices | KA 203: Strategic partnerships for higher education

09/021

- Screen4Care - Shortening the path to rare disease diagnosis by using newborn genetic screening and digital technologies | the Innovative Medicines Initiative | Joint Undertaking (JU) under grant agreement No 101034427

02/2022

- Caring violent child safely in child psychiatric and residential units | Erasmus+ Programme | Key Action 2 | Agreement number: 2021-1-FI01-KA220-HED-000032106

04/2023

- Developing multi-professional Higher Education for promoting mental health and well-being at schools | Project Reference: 2020-1-FI01-KA203-066521

Clinical trials

2018-2019

- ApoA-I Event reducinG in Ischemic Syndromes II (AEGIS II) | Study Coordinator
 - Atrial fibrillation integrated approach in frail, multimorbid, and polymedicated older people (AFFIRMO) | monitor
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Congresses

National

27-29/09/2019

- 11th scientific meeting-training of SOIBOM” | *The way of the patient with cardiovascular diseases* ” Oral presentation “Clinical case of valvular atrial fibrillation*”

28/11/2020

- Virtual Congress Center “Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs” | *“Acquired Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura on the Path of Challenges”*

09-11/03/2021

- Science and Youth 2021 Conference
- 1. “*Changing dietary habits and behaviour during the anti-epidemic measures imposed on the occasion of COVID 19*”. | Oral presentation. | M. **Kostadinov** K. Mandova V.
- 2. “*Change in physical activity in the context of anti-epidemic measures*” | Oral presentation | **Kostadinov** K. Hubenova M. Mandova V.
- 3. “*Oral health self-assessment among haemophilia families*” | Victoria Mandova, **Kostadin Kostadinov**, Rumén Stefanov

13-14/05/2021

- XIVth National Scientific and Technical Conference with foreign participation “Ecology and Health”
- 1. “*Contemporary microbiological and molecular biological screening of genital infections in symptomatic non-pregnant women*” | Eli Hristozova, Zoya Rachkovska, Tihomir Dermendzhiev, Mariana Murdjeva, Vida Georgieva, Ekaterina Uchikova, **Kostadin Kostadinov** | MU Plovdiv”

14-16/09/2021

- XVIII National Congress on Clinical Microbiology and Infections of the Bulgarian Association of Microbiologists | *“Rapid molecular biological screening for vaginal candidiasis in symptomatic women”* | Hristozova E., Rachkovska , Georgieva V., Dermendzhiev T., **Kostadinov K.**, Vlahova M., Uchikova E. , Murdjeva M. (poster)

15-16/09/2022

- XX Jubilee National Congress on Clinical Microbiology and Infections of the Bulgarian Association of Microbiologists
1. *“Investigation of the urethral microbiome with androflor screen in men with nonspecific genital symptoms in a covid-19 pandemic setting”* | E. Hristozova, T. Dermendzhiev, Z. Raczowska, V. Georgieva, **K. Kostadinov**, Ts. Pavlov, M. Murdjeva | incl. in the Proceedings
 2. *“Omicron - reassurance or challenge?”* | M. Atanasova, N. Korsun, R. Komitova, **K. Kostadinov**, I. Alexiev, R. Raicheva, I. Ivanov, L. Petkova, L. Joglova | incl. in Proceedings

30/09/2022-01/10/2022

- Fourth National Conference on Epidemiology | “Infectious Diseases in Bulgaria- Problems and Perspectives” | *“COVID-19 in Bulgaria and the impact of vaccines on hospitalization, mortality and lethality”* | A. Kevorkian, **K. Kostadinov**, V. K. A. Kunchev, A. Serbezova

16/12/2022

- *Effects of DCEA as a streoid precursor on immunological reactivity in different occupational groups in distress.* | Maria Ivanovska, Petya Angelova Gardzheva, Dora Dimitrova Terzieva, Nonka Georgieva Mateva, **Kostadin Rangelov Kostadinov**, Teodora Mitkova Kalfova , Mariana Atanasova Murdzheva | Poster | Annual Scientific Conference on Immunology | Bulgarian Association of Clinical Immunology.

International

27/03/2021

- 8th annual symposium “HTA assessment – strategies for accelerated access” | Institute for Rare Diseases

20-23/10/2022

- Joint Forum: 12th South-East European Conference and 32nd Annual Assembly of IMAB | *“Antimicrobial activity of root canal filling materials for endodontic treatment in primary dentition”* | Maria Shindova, Eli Hristozova, Plamen Katsarov, Michael Onov, **Kostadin Kostadinov**, Vasko Toplev, Ani Belcheva

6-9/11/2022

- *Delay of Innovative Oncology Treatments - Case From Bulgaria* | Poster session, Raycheva R, **Kostadinov K**; | 2022-11 | ISPOR Europe 2022 | Vienna, Austria

15-8/04/2023

- 33-rd European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases | *“Impact of COVID-19 vaccines -data from Bulgaria”* | Ani Kevorkyan, **Kostadin Kostadinov**, Vania Rangelova, Ralitsa Raycheva , Angel Kunchev

4-11/03/2023

- 41th European Winter Conference on brain research (EWCBR) | *Immunological reactivity under acute and chronic stress. Where are we? Experience in Bulgaria.* | M. Ivanovska, T. Kalfova, P. Gardjeva, **K. Kostadinov**, M. Murdjeva

14/09/2023

- Webinar: EU Health Technology Assessment Regulation | The role and involvement of Cancer Patients | *Landscape of Bulgarian HTA regulations.* | **Kostadinov K** | Belgium

5/04/2024

- 10th International Symposium - Health Technology Assessment and Neonatal Screening | Sofia, Bulgaria

6-8/02/2024

- 4th Fair Pricing Forum | World Health Organisation

Training; Education; Certification

Trainings

24-25/09/2011

- Medical University Plovdiv | “Emergency Care in Medicine” | Plovdiv

22-23/11/2012

- National Program for Prevention and Control of HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections in the Republic of Bulgaria 2008-2015 | “Treatment and Care for People Living with HIV/AIDS and Reducing Stigma and Discrimination” | Plovdiv

16/12/2012

- Tokuda Hospital Sofia | “Basic surgical skills”

20-21/10/2014

- Programme funded by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria | “Diagnosis, care and treatment of people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA)” | Plovdiv

24-28/04/2017

- National Institute of Radiobiology and Radiation Protection | “Medical support in radiation, nuclear accidents and terrorism emergency preparedness” | Sofia

15-17/07/2018

- Scientific Symposium | “Acute Coronary Syndrome” | Plovdiv

7-9/11/2019

- Scientific Symposium | “Tachyarrhythmias and Syncope”

International postgraduate courses

1-2/12/2017

- Critical appraisal course | Sofia CPD

10-15/10/2022

- Open Medical Institute (OMI) Seminar | “Economic Evaluation in Healthcare” | Maastricht University program | Salzburg, Austria

03-09/12/2023

- Open Medical Institute (OMI) Seminar | “Public Health Strategy - I” | Maastricht University program | Salzburg, Austria | Certificate of excellent presentation

04/2024 - 09/2024

- [OpenAQ Community Ambassador Program](#). | The OpenAQ program includes a comprehensive curriculum on ambient air pollution, air quality monitoring, data transparency, data access, data analysis, participatory research and community engagement.

26/05/2024 - 01/06/2024

- Open Medical Institute (OMI) Seminar | “Public Health Strategy - II” | Maastricht University program; Salzburg, Austria, Certificate of excellent presentation

National postgraduate courses

10/11/2017

- National Heart Hospital | “Echocardiographic Assessment of Cardiac Function”

19-20/10/2018

- First School of Echocardiography | Sofia | “Introduction to echocardiographic diagnostics”

22-23/02/2019

- Second school of echocardiography | Sofia | “Echocardiographic evaluation of congenital and acquired cardiovascular diseases”

24-25/10/2019

- Third School of Echocardiography | Sofia | “New Ultrasound Methods in Cardiology”

22-26/03/2021

- Course “Biostatistics with IBM SPSS Statistics for Windows, Version 22.0”

03/2020

- English for academic purposes | Irina Mittercheva, PhD | Department of Language Education (DESO) | MU-Plovdiv
- Linguistic Issues of Scientific and Medical Text | Department of Language Education (DESO) | MU-Plovdiv, Assoc. Prof. Milieva, PhD

06/2021

- Intensive specialized course | “Academic writing, development of Cochrane systematic reviews” | MU-Plovdiv | “COVID-19 HUB - Information, innovation and implementation of integrative scientific developments”

09/2021

- “Machine Learning” Postgraduate course | SoftUni