

Masaryk University	
Faculty	Faculty of Medicine
Procedure field	Oncology
Applicant	doc. MUDr. Alexandr Poprach, Ph.D.
Applicant's home unit, institution	Faculty of Medicine, Masaryk University
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Evaluation of the applicant's scholarly/artistic qualifications

Assoc. prof. Alexandr Poprach, M.D., Ph.D., worked in the years 2003 - 2005 at the Department of Internal Medicine at the Trutnov Regional Hospital. In 2005 he started working as a physician at the Department of Comprehensive Cancer Care at the Masaryk Memorial Cancer Institute in Brno, where he has been working as an internist since 2008.

In 2013 he obtained Ph.D. in Oncology at the Faculty of Medicine of Masaryk University (MED MUNI) with a dissertation on "Prognostic and predictive factors in renal cell carcinoma".

In 2019 he was appointed Associate Professor in Clinical Oncology at the Faculty of Medicine of Masaryk University in Brno after defending his habilitation thesis entitled "Modern trends in the diagnosis and therapy of metastatic renal cell carcinoma".

In the years 2020 - 2023 he worked at the Masaryk Memorial Cancer Institute Brno as Deputy Head of the Department of Comprehensive Cancer Care, and then in 2023 he was appointed to the position of Medical chief.

His research work focuses on the investigation of possible predictors for the treatment of kidney and urinary tract tumours.

He has authored and co-authored 65 publications with a Hirsch index of 20 in the Web of Science (WoS) database. The total WoS citations and citation counts are 1,395 and 1,347 without self-citations.

Assoc. prof. Alexandr Poprach, M.D., Ph.D., is a co-principal investigator of 4 grant projects of the Agency for Health Research of the Czech Republic (AHRC). He is involved in the international cooperation projects ARON 1 (renal cell carcinoma), ARON 2 (metastatic urothelial carcinoma) and now ARON 3 (prostate cancer). He has also established a collaboration with the National Cancer Research Institute Maria Skłodowska-Curie in Warsaw and the University Hospital La Paz Madrid to collect data on renal cell carcinoma patients in the ICARO project - anonymous RWE data collection.

He is also the principal investigator in more than 30 clinical trials in collaboration with the Masaryk Memorial Cancer Institute.

Conclusion: The applicant's scholarly/artistic capabilities **meet** the requirements expected of applicants participating in a professor appointment procedure in the field of Oncology.

Evaluation of the applicant's pedagogical experience

Assoc. prof. Alexandr Poprach, M.D., Ph.D., has been involved in teaching undergraduate and postgraduate students in Czech and later in English at the Faculty of Medicine of Masaryk University since 2013.

He is the author of 1 pedagogical book. He is also co-author of 16 important publications and books.

Among the most important publications in the field of pedagogical activity are:

"Malignant tumours of the bladder". In this book, the authors focus on the latest findings in the field of epidemiology, diagnosis in the context of treatment of patients diagnosed with bladder cancer.

Another important publication, where is Assoc. prof. Alexandr Poprach, M.D., Ph.D., co-author, is "Clinical Oncology for Medics: solid tumors, pediatric tumors and hematological malignancies." Mr. Associate Professor is the first author of the chapters that focus on uro-oncology. It is an educational material for students of Masaryk University. It is created by the teachers of the Clinical Oncology course at Masaryk University. It is an ideal educational material for the exam in the subject of Clinical Oncology.

Another important book is "Special Oncology", where the associate professor is a co-author within the chapters about uro-oncology.

He is a supervisor of postgraduate students in Oncology with 1 successful graduate and 3 current students. He is also a consultant for 1 successful graduate student in the Faculty of Science postgraduate program in Genomics and Proteomics.

He is licensed by the Czech Medical Association to practice as a senior physician and primary care physician in the field of clinical oncology.

Conclusion: The applicant's pedagogical capabilities **meet** the requirements expected of applicants participating in a professor appointment procedure in the field of Oncology.

Evaluation of the applicant as a respected and recognized scholarly or artistic figure in a given field

Assoc. prof. Alexandr Poprach, M.D., Ph.D., has extensive professional activities which include membership and presidency in major professional societies. He also organizes and actively participates in major national and international congresses.

Since 2006 he has been a co-organizer of the Brno Oncology Days (BOD).

Since 2013 he has had a poster activity within ESMO congresses.

From 2014 to 2015 he was a member of the evaluation committee for the Student Scientific Conference.

Since 2015 he is a member of the committee and guarantor of the official guidelines of Czech Oncology Society – Urooncology and renal cancer.

Since 2015 he has been a member of the committee and guarantor for the official guidelines of the Czech Oncology Society - Skin cancer.

Since 2017 he is the chairman of the Urooncology Section of the Czech Oncology Society.

Since 2017 he is also a member of the programme committee for the RCC Academy in Brno.

Since 2023 he is also a member of the program committee and organizing committee of URONKA – Uro-oncology academy. Interdisciplinary educational seminar, organized by the Masaryk Memorial Cancer Institute and Masaryk University Faculty of Medicine in cooperation with MERCK Ltd. on the indication of urothelial carcinoma.

In the competition for the best article with IF of the Czech Society of Oncology, he was nominated in 2016, 2017 and received an award for co-authorship of the best article with IF two years in a row.

He is a member of the author's collective of the Blue Book - recommendations of the Czech Society for Oncology for diagnosis and treatment of cancer.

Conclusion: The applicant **is** a respected and recognized scholarly figure in his/her field. The applicant **has** made a significant contribution to the development of his/her field. The applicant **constitutes** a leading figure in his/her field of scholarship or research.

Secret vote results

Voting took place: electronically

Number of board members		5
Number of votes cast		5
of which	in favour	5
	against	0

Board decision

Based on the outcome of the secret vote and following an evaluation of the applicant's scholarly or artistic qualifications, pedagogical experience and role as a respected and recognized scholarly or artistic figure, the board hereby submits a proposal to the Scientific Board of the Faculty of Medicine of Masaryk University to **appoint the applicant professor** of Oncology.

In Brno on 10.11.2024

prof. MUDr. Pavel Šlampa, CSc.

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