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Research Interests

Clinical Psychology (Substance use disorders, hazard addictions)
Developmental and Pedagogical Psychology
Traffic Psychology

Education

2008-2014 – PhD in Psychology, IPHS, BAS
2006-2007 – Master degree in Evidence-Based Social Intervention, University of Oxford
1999-2004 – Master degree in Clinical Psychology, New Bulgarian University
1994-1999 – Master degree in Sociology, Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”

Academic Positions

2016 – present– Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, IPHS, BAS

Research Projects (last 5 Years)

- Project “Cognitive functioning and personality traits in adults with substance use disorders. Relation to risky driving”. The project aims to study the relation between the cognitive and personality characteristics of substance abusers and risky driving. Planned research topic. Funded by Bulgarian Academy of Sciences main budget. February 2018 - February 2021.
- Project “Development of policies towards Bulgarians living abroad”. The projects aims to analyse the reasons for emigration and the models of adaptatioof the bulgarian communities worldwide as well as to propose to the government policies toward the bulgarians living abroad. It is delegated by CMD № 315, State gazette, issue 107/28 December 2018 г. December 2018-June 2020

- Project “Interrelations between psycho-social and epigenetic characteristics in people with substance use disorders”, Scientific research project KII-06-H25/5, funded by The National Science Fund/ Ministry of Education and Science. December 2018 – December 2021.
- Project “Research on the mechanisms, forms and motives for aggression and violence at schools”. The project aims to study the reasons for aggression at school. Funded by Ministry of Education and Science. October 2017 – February 2018
- Project “Driving style and risky driving behaviour”. The purpose of the study is to conceptualize the construct driving style and to adapt a method for assessment of driving style. Funded by Young Scientists Program, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. August 2017 – April 2019
- Project “Enhancement of the level of road safety via establishment of new methodology for psychological assessment of drivers”. The goal of the project is to construct new methods for assessment of psychological aptitude to drive. Funded by “Transport and transport infrastructure program 2014-2020”, Ministry of Transport, Information technology and Communication. June 2017 – December 2018.

Selected Publications (10 in the last 10 Years)

- Racheva, R., Totkova, Z. (2020) Reliability and Validity of a Method for Assessment of Executive Functions in Drivers. *Behav. Sci.* 10, 37. DOI: 10.3390/bs10010037
- Totkova, Z., Racheva, R. (2019) The Bulgarian Version of the Multidimensional Driving Style Inventory: Psychometric Properties. *Behav. Sci.* 9, 145. DOI: 10.3390/bs9120145
- Totkova, Z., Racheva, R. (2019) A Multidimensional Method for Assessing Personality Characteristics Related to Risky Driving Behavior. *Psychological Research*, 22, 3, 746-775.
- Zografova, Y., Bakalova, D., Hristova, A., Andreev, B., Nedeva-Atanasova, V., Racheva, R., Totkova, Z. (2019) Personality traits and family environment – antecedents of students’ aggression. *Psychological Research*, 22, 3, 689-711
- Racheva, R., Totkova, Z., Shtetinski, D., Andreev, B. (2019) Validity and Reliability of Methods for Assessing Cognitive Functions in Drivers. *Psychological Research*, 22, 3, 776-788.
- Racheva, R., Totkova, Z.. (2018). Cognitive characteristics related to driving. *Psychological research*, 21, 2, 195-209, ISSN 1311-4700
- Totkova, Z., Racheva, R. (2018). Personality characteristics related to risky driving. *Psychological research*, 21, 2, 171-193, ISSN 1311-4700
- Racheva, R. (2017). Risk factors for development of substance use disorders in adolescents. *Psychological Research*, VIIth Conference of the European Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, 20, 1, 2017, pp.85-94, ISSN 0205-0617 (Print); ISSN 2367-9174 (Online).
- Racheva, R., Nikolov, N., Dimov, M. (2014). Personality profile of adolescents with substance use disorders, *Bulgarian Journal of Psychology*, VII National Congress of Psychology, pp.1045-1057
- Racheva, R. (2011). Evidence-based psychosocial interventions for treatment of adolescents with substance use disorder. *Psychological Research*, issue N .3392, pp. 239-248
- Racheva, R., Nikolov, N. (2011). The Bulgarian adaptation of MMPI-A: psychometric characteristics of the instrument and opportunities for its implementation in the clinical practice. *Bulgarian Journal of Psychology*, VI National Congress of Psychology, 3-4, 614-621