

## CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR A RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

Reference: Ref<sup>a</sup>: HSoil4Food – Perfil 6

[Portuguese Version](#)

A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one Research Scholarship within the scope of the project ***HSoil4Food - Healthy soils for healthy foods*** (NORTE-01-0145-FEDER-000066) co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (FEDER) through the Northern Regional Operational Program, under the terms of the Notice of Opening of Application No. NORTE-45-2020-75 - Support System for Scientific and Technological Research - “Structured R&D&I Projects” - Horizon Europe, under the conditions, set out below.

**Scientific Area:** *Biotechnology*

**Admission requirements:** Applicants for the Research grant must, at the time of application, be registered, or present proof of conditional enrollment in a Master's degree in the scientific area of Biotechnology or related. Candidates must have command of the English language (written and spoken). Knowledge and previous research experience in the extraction and characterization of bioactive compounds and in the development of bioactive food ingredients and products will be considered preferred factors. Candidates must have excellent communication and interpersonal skills, as well as teamwork, a strong capacity for organization, initiative and time management, a high degree of rigor and a sense of responsibility and a strong capacity for work, autonomy and responsibility.

**Work Plan:** The activity to be developed by the scholarship holder is part of a research project that aims to recover legume residues for extraction, through green procedures, of biofunctional molecules. The fellow will participate in the characterization of the composition and variability of legume residues, in the selection of residues with the greatest potential for the extraction of high-value compounds, in the sustainable obtainment of fractions rich in bioactive compounds and in the respective biological characterization, tasks aimed at the development of bioactive food ingredients.

**Applicable legislation and regulations:**

- Statute of the Scientific Research Fellow: <https://dre.pt/web/guest/legislacao-consolidada/-/lc/58216179/view?w=2019-08-28>
- Regulation of Research Scholarships of the Science and Technology Foundation, I.P.: <https://dre.pt/application/conteudo/127238533>;
- Regulation of Research Scholarships of the Portuguese Catholic University: [http://www.porto.ucp.pt/sites/default/files/files/DRH/RegBolsasInvestigacao\\_Cientifica\\_UCP2020.pdf](http://www.porto.ucp.pt/sites/default/files/files/DRH/RegBolsasInvestigacao_Cientifica_UCP2020.pdf)

**Workplace:** The work will be developed at the CBQF - Center for Biotechnology and Fine Chemistry of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa in Portugal, integrated into the *School of Biotechnology*, in Porto, under the scientific supervision of Professor Manuela Pintado.

**Duration of the scholarship:** The scholarship scheduled to start on 10/15/2021 will have an initial duration of 12 months on an exclusive basis. This scholarship may be renewed, and this may not exceed the project's end date.

**Monthly maintenance allowance amount:** The amount of the scholarship corresponds to 835,98€ according to the research scholarship values awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in the Country (<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores.phtml.pt>) and will be paid by bank transfer.

**Selection methods:** The selection methods to be used will be as follows:

- i) Curricular evaluation (40%);
- ii) Previous experience (60%);

The final decision, if necessary, may involve an interview with the 3 best-placed candidates, in which case the weighting will be curricular assessment (35%); ii) previous experience (50%) and selection interview (15%). Applications that do not meet the admission requirements, those submitted after the deadline, and those that are incomplete will be considered ineligible.

If final grades are required as an admission requirement:

**Foreign candidates:** Important notice for applicants with diplomas issued by foreign higher education institutions:

- Applicants with diplomas issued by foreign higher education institutions may apply and will be evaluated with the same criteria as candidates with diplomas issued by Portuguese institutions, provided that they present, in the application, proof of the recognition of academic degrees and the conversion of the final classification to the Portuguese classification scale in accordance with the applicable legislation.
- Applicants with foreign diplomas who do not present proof of the conversion of the final classification to the Portuguese classification scale will be evaluated in the curriculum analysis with a minimum rating of 10 points, on a scale of 10 to 40 points.
- In any case, scholarship contracts with candidates with diplomas issued by foreign institutions will only be concluded by submitting the proof of recognition of academic degrees and conversion of the final classification, as indicated above.

**Composition of the Selection Jury:**

Professora Doutora Maria Manuela Estevez Pintado (President)

Professora Doutora Patrícia Moreira (Effective member)

Professora Doutora Maria Vasconcelos (Effective member)

**Form of advertising/notification of results:** The jury deliberates in accordance with the selection criteria adopted and disclosed. The jury meetings minutes will contain a summary of the meeting content. After completing the application of the selection criteria, the jury proceeds with the elaboration of the ordered list, with the ranking of the approved candidates. The ranking list of eligible candidates will be published on the premises of the Portuguese Catholic University, in Porto, located at Rua de Diogo Botelho, 1327, 4169-

005 Porto - Portugal, with each candidate being notified of his/her position on the list ranking of candidates via email. In this email, candidate will be identified according to the reference used in the published ranking list. Ineligible applicants will be notified by email, with details of the missing eligibility elements.

**Complaint and appeal procedures:** Candidates have a period of ten working days, after the disclosure referred to in the previous number, to give their opinion at a prior hearing.

**Deadline for acceptance of the scholarship:** Within ten working days following notification of the grant award, the selected candidate must confirm in writing his/her availability to start the scholarship on the proposed date. Failing to do so or not having availability, the candidate placed in the next position will be called.

**Application deadline and form of submission:** Applications will be accepted from 09-01-2021 until 09-22-2021 at 23:59.

Applications should be made through the [application Form](#) available at:

<https://inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/hr/index.php?r=survey/index&sid=472111&lang=en>, through which the following documents should be submitted:

- 1) Cover letter, identifying the title and reference of the project, describe the motivation and professional objectives of the candidate;
- 2) Detailed Curriculum Vitae (should contain all the elements to assess the admission requirements, including language knowledge and research experience);
- 3) Copy of the certificate(s) of qualifications conferring academic degree in the terms requested in the notice, which contains the final classifications;
- 4) Record of recognition of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions and record of the conversion of the corresponding final classification to the Portuguese classification scale;

- 5) Proof of enrollment in a course that does not lead to an academic degree or a declaration of commitment to enroll in a course that does not lead to an academic degree under the terms referred to in the admission requirements..

Only applications received during the opening period of the above-mentioned call shall be considered.

Candidates who incorrectly formalize their application or who do not prove the requirements of this call are excluded. False statements made by applicants will be punished under the law.

**Privacy Policy:** Universidade Católica Portuguesa is the controller responsible for the processing of Personal Data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – General Regulation on Data Protection.

The personal data processed in the scope of this tender procedure is processed within the framework of said tender procedure only and will be processed by Universidade Católica Portuguesa with the purpose of verifying the fulfillment, by the candidates, of the assumptions established in the applicable legislation for their contracting. Opposition to the processing of data by the candidates will make it impossible to accept the application and, therefore, to analyze and evaluate it.

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The Data Subject has the right of access and portability of the data.

Rights of Personal Data Subjects: <https://www.ucp.pt/rights-data-subjects>.

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The Data Subject is always entitled to contact and file a complaint with the Comissão Nacional de Proteção de Dados (Portuguese Supervisory Authority for Personal Data).

**Non-discrimination and equal access policy:** The Universidade Católica Portuguesa actively promotes a non-discrimination and equal access policy, wherefore no candidate can be privileged, benefited, impaired, or deprived of any rights whatsoever, or be exempt of any duties based on their ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, family and economic conditions, instruction, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions, and union membership.

**Contact:**

If you have any questions about this position, please contact:

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