

INVESTIGATION SCHOLARSHIP

Refª Pacto Bio Economia Azul Rações 1 – BI_1

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A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one research grant (BI) within the scope of Pacto Bioeconomia Azul (PBA), financed by Plano de Recuperação e Resiliência de Portugal (“PRR”) in its Component C5 (Training and Business Innovation under the Regulation of the Incentive System “Agendas para Inovação Empresarial” and the Invitation Notice No. 02/C05-i01/2022 – Project Rações – Sub-Project 1, under the following conditions:

Admission requirements:

Applicants must have higher academic qualifications in the scientific area of Microbiology, or related areas. Applicants must show interest in the scientific area and be able to develop teamwork, in a multidisciplinary and multicultural environment. It is essential that candidates are fluent in English language (speaking and writing) and with relevant experience in research. Preferential factors will be considered, previous research experience in valorization of by-products and determination of antioxidant and antimicrobial activities.

Applicants for the Research grant, after selection, in order to start grant contracting, must enroll in the doctoral program in Biotechnology, at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia, in accordance with the theme and work plan of the grant, to be carried out within the scope of the above-identified project. This doctoral program should be carried out at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia of the Catholic University of Portugal and guided by the team identified for the implementation of the work plan.

Work Plan:

The activity to be carried out by the scholarship holder is part of a research project that has the specific objective of optimizing enzymatic hydrolysis processes for the production of fish hydrolysates with bioactive properties, which will be characterized in terms of their composition and techno-functional properties and in



the formulation and testing of alternative protein hydrolysates, including insect, blood and pork hydrolysates as well as poultry by-products for application in the seafood value chain. The Research Fellow will participate in all project tasks through integration into the team.

Applicable legislation and regulations:

- Statute of the Scientific Research Fellow: <https://dre.pt/web/guest/legislacao-consolidada/-/lc/58216179/view?w=2019-08-28>;
- Research Foundation Regulations 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

Workplace:

The work will be developed at Escola Superior de Biotecnologia, Porto, under the scientific supervision of Professor Doctor António Couto and co-supervision of Professor Doctor Manuela Pintado and Doctor Sandra Borges.

Duration of the scholarship:

The scholarship, which is expected to begin on March 01st, 2024, will have an initial duration of 22 months on an exclusive basis. This grant may be renewed for an additional period, and may not go beyond the project's end date, scheduled for December 31, 2025.

Monthly maintenance allowance amount:

The amount of the scholarship corresponds to 1199.64€ according to the stock chart of the scholarships 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 interviews with the best positioned candidates, and in this situation, the weighting will be curriculum evaluation (35%); ii) previous experience (50%) and selection interview (15%).

Only candidates with a final classification equal to or greater than seventy-five points, on a scale of 0 to 100, will be selected for this position.

Applications that do not meet the admission requirements, delivered on time and incomplete applications will be considered ineligible.

Composition of the Selection Jury:

Professor Doctor Manuela Pintado (President of jury)

Professor Doctor António Couto (Member)

Doctor Sandra Borges (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 posted 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 posted ranking list. Ineligible applicants will be notified by email, with details of the missing eligibility elements



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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 **January 19th, 2024 to February 02nd, 2024 at 23:59.**

Applications should be made through the [application Form](https://hr-ucpporto.inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/169472?lang=en) available at: <https://hr-ucpporto.inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/169472?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 contain the final classifications.
- 4) Registration of recognition of the academic degree awarded by a foreign higher education institution, preferably with the registration of the conversion of the respective final classification to the Portuguese classification scale to guarantee eligibility in this call for application 1

¹If the required academic degree has been conferred by a foreign higher education institution, it must comply with the provisions of Portuguese legislation on the recognition of foreign degrees, regulated by DL no. 66/2018 of 16 August.



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- 5) Letter with the commitment to enroll/enrollment in a cycle of studies leading to a doctoral degree, whose activity plan is integrated within the scope of the project already identified above and carried out at the Escola Superior de Biotecnologia of Universidade Católica Portuguesa.

Only applications received during the opening period of the above-mentioned competition shall be considered in this competition. Candidates who incorrectly formalize their application or who do not prove the requirements of this competition are excluded from admission to the competition. 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 fulfilment, 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.

The personal data of the Data Subject, if it be indispensable for the fulfilment of the obligations of Universidade Católica Portuguesa, may be conveyed to third parties, namely to the Financing Entities identified in this announcement.

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Applicants are advised to consult the website of the Directorate-General for Higher Education (DGES) for additional information on this matter: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/reconhecimento>



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interest, namely in the detection and prevention of crimes or when subject to professional rules of confidentiality.

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:

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.

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

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