

INVESTIGATION SCHOLARSHIP

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A call for tenders is now open for the attribution of one research grant (BI) within the scope of the Green Agenda for Business Innovation "FROM FOSSIL TO FOREST", within the scope of the «Mobilizing Agendas/Alliances for Business Innovation» of Component 5, concerning «Business Training and Innovation», funded by the Portugal Recovery and Resilience Plan ("PRR"), under the following conditions:

Admission requirements:

Applicants for the Research scholarship must, on the application date, be enrolled, or present proof of conditional enrollment in a PhD in the scientific area of Biotechnology. Candidates must have completed a Master degree on Food, Chemical, Environment, Polymer or Materials Engineering, Biotechnology and Innovation, or related areas. The candidate 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. Preferred factors will be considered, the experience in food packaging, development and formulation, characterization techniques of mechanical and barrier properties and migration assessment, recyclability, or life cycle assessment.

Work Plan:

The activity to be developed is in the scope of a research project aiming at the development, demonstration, and industrialization of innovative and sustainable packaging solutions, namely paper with increased mechanical barrier properties (moisture, liquids, gases, oil, and grease), rigid molded cellulose, biocomposites with the incorporation of cellulose fibers in thermoplastic matrices and "Smart Packaging". The project team will address the properties of the materials, the performance in preserving and protecting the food, safety of the materials, recyclability, and the life cycle. The grant holder will participate in all project tasks through the integration on 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>;



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- 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 Doutora Fátima Poças.

Duration of the scholarship:

The scholarship, which is expected to begin on 01st January 2025, will have a duration of 12 months on an exclusive basis, and may not go beyond the project's end date, scheduled for December 31st, 2025.

Monthly maintenance allowance amount:

The amount of the scholarship corresponds to 1.259,64€ according to the stock chart of the scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in the Country (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Tabela-de-Valores-SMM_atualizacao-2024.pdf) 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%).

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

Composition of the Selection Jury:

Doutora Fátima Poças (President of jury)

Eng^a Maria do Céu Selbourne (Member)





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Doutor Tiago Monteiro (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.

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 the **November 22nd, 2024 until December 07th, 2024** at 23:59 (Lisbon time).

Applications should be made through the Application Form available at: <https://hr-ucpporto.inqueritos.porto.ucp.pt/753887?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;





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- 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) Record of recognition of academic degrees awarded by foreign higher education institutions and record of the conversion of their final classification to the Portuguese classification scale 1
- 5) Proof of enrolment/registration in the Higher Education Institution in academic degree course of study

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.

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.

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

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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).

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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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