



REQUIMTE
Research Fellowship for Master (1 position)

January 18, 2022

A public tender is now open for the attribution of a Master's Research Scholarship, within the scope of the R&DT COMPANIES IN COPROMOTION PROJECT called “**NAQUIBIODPSA - Obtaining Veterinary Medicines from Silver Nanoparticles Fixed in Polymeric Bases of Chitosan Hydrogels**”, with reference ALT20 -03-247-FEDER-033578, co-financed by the *European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)* through the Alentejo Regional Operational Program, under the following conditions:

Scientific area: Veterinary Medicine.

Admission requirements:

Candidates holding an Integrated Master's Degree in Veterinary Medicine will be admitted to the competition. Preferential factors will be: i) clinical experience/internship, mainly in the field of dermatology or immunoallergology; ii) driver's license to form B category and own vehicle; iii) availability to travel through the Alentejo, Setúbal and Lisbon regions; iv) availability to participate in clinical and laboratory support tasks and v) immediate availability.

As set forth FCT Research Scholarship Regulation No. 950/2019 of December 16, 2019, article 3 and 6, candidates for “**BI**” (Research Grants) must comply as a rule condition for the award of the scholarship, the effective inclusion in study cycles leading to the attribution of academic degrees or in courses not leading to an academic degree. Courses that do not confer an academic degree correspond to the courses provided for in subparagraph e) of paragraph 3 of article 4 of Decree-Law No. 74/2006 of 24 March and must be developed in a higher education institution in association with at least one R&D unit, including a course plan in one or several research areas of the unit.

Work plan:

It is intended that the grantee will: i) develop and carry out evaluation protocols of skin healing processes, namely with regard to the efficiency of healing agents, in an integrated manner with *in vitro* studies (microbiological and cell models of canine skin); ii) carry out the clinical selection and evaluation of the clinical study cases, in the registered Veterinary Medical Centers and iii) participate in the laboratory processes related to the study, mainly in the areas of microbiology and histopathology.

The grantee must be motivated for this type of work and show high personal initiative, showing autonomy in the development of tasks and ability to work in a multidisciplinary team. There is a possibility for the scholarship holder to enroll in the doctoral program of Veterinary Sciences or Biochemistry at the University of Évora.

Applicable legislation and regulations: The granting of the Research Scholarship will be carried out upon the signing of a contract between the University of Évora and the scholarship holder, as set in the template https://www.fct.pt/apoios/Minuta_Contrato_Bolsa.docx, pursuant to the Research Scholarship Statute (Law No. 40/2004 of August 18 and Decree-Law No. 123/2019 of August 28) and in accordance with the legislation and Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, IP in force, regulation nº950/2019 of December 16, 2019: <https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/regulamento.phtml> and other applicable rules.

Place of work: The work will be developed at University of Évora - Polo da Mitra under the scientific guidance of the Professor Luís Martins.

Duration of the scholarship: The scholarship will last for 4 months, starting in March 2022. The scholarship contract may be renewed up to the end of the funding project's budget allocation. The signing of the contract with the selected candidate is dependent to the acceptance by the funding entity of the extension of the project.

Amount of monthly maintenance allowance: The amount of the scholarship corresponds to €1 144,64, according to the table of scholarships awarded directly by FCT, I.P. in Portugal (<http://fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores>), payments being made monthly, by check or bank transfer.

Selection methods: The selection methods to be used will be the following: curriculum assessment (40%), experience in the areas mentioned above (30%) and selection interview (30%).

Composition of the Selection Jury:

President: Prof. Doctor Anthony J. Burke, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Évora

1st Member - Prof. Doctor Luís Martins, Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Évora;

2nd Member – Dr. Sandra Branco, Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Évora;

1st Alternate – Prof. Doctor Cristina Queiroga, Department of Veterinary Medicine, University of Évora; 2nd Alternate – Prof. Doctor Célia Antunes, Department of Medical Sciences and Health, University of Évora.

Advertising/notification of results: The final results of the evaluation will be publicized, through an ordered list by final grade obtained posted in a visible and public place (Department of Veterinary Medicine of the University of Évora), being the candidate (a) approved notified through email.

To ensure the right of prior hearing of interested parties, the Final Classification project will be announced by any written means to all interested parties.

After communicating the provisional list of the results of the evaluation, candidates have a period of 10 working days to express their opinion in a preliminary hearing of interested parties.

Application deadline and submission of applications: The competition is open from January 20, 2022 to February 17, 2022 and the results of the selection will be published until March 2, 2022.

Applications must be formalized, obligatorily, by sending an application letter with the following documents: *Curriculum Vitae*, certificate of qualifications, motivation letter and two letters of reference with the referee's contacts.

For the purposes of application, the evidence may be replaced by a declaration of honor signed by the candidate, but the failure to demonstrate that evidence, in the contracting phase, possession of the required degree on the deadline for application or the non-presentation of proof of enrollment in the study cycle or non-degree course, for scholarships with this component, imply the cancellation of the candidate's application.

Academic degrees obtained in foreign countries require registration by a Portuguese Institution in accordance with Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of August 16 and Ordinance No. 33/2019, of January 25th.

The presentation of the certificate is mandatory for the signing of the contract. More information can be obtained at: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/pt/pagina/recognition?plid=374>

Applications must be sent by email to:

Prof. Dr. Anthony Joseph Burke

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