

Faculty of Pharmacy Research and Development Association
Call for the award of 1 (one) Research Grant for Masters enrolled in a non-conferring
academic degree course

Notice No. BICNCG/25/FARM-ID/2023

Under the Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, IP, Regulation No. 950/2019, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 241, of December 16, 2019, of the Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Lisbon, Order no. 6238/2020, of 12 June, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 113, of June 12, 2020, republished by Dispatch No. 8061/2022, published in *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, n.º 126, of July 1, 2022, and of the Research Fellowship Statute (EBI), Decree-Law no. 123/2019, of 28 August, published in *Diário da República*, 1st Series, no. 164, of 28 August 2019, it is made known that a call for the award of 1 (one) Research Grant for Masters enrolled in a non-conferring academic degree course, within the scope of the project PTDC/QUI-OUT/3989/2021, titled "*SmartBox: Engineering the first generation of ROS responsive ADCs*", funded by Foundation for Science and Technology, IP is open under the following conditions:

I. **Scientific Area:** Chemical Biology, or related areas

II. **Admission Requirements (*):**

- Master's Degree or Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Medicinal and Biopharmaceutical Chemistry, or related areas;
- Being enrolled in a non-conferring academic course

(*) During the application stage, if the candidates do not have in their possession the documents proving their Master's degree and/or enrolment in the non-conferring academic degree course, those documents may be replaced by a declaration of honour. Proof of obtaining the degree and/or enrolment through the presentation of certificated must be carried out until the hiring, under penalty of annulment of the candidate's assessment due to error on the assumptions of fact, and consequent exclusion from this competition.

Preferred Requirements:

- Knowledge in the chemical biology of boron compounds;
- Knowledge on the synthesis of ROS responsive conjugates.
- Synthesis of boron heterocycles

III. **Research Grant Duration:** The research will have a duration of 6 months renewable up to a maximum of 12 months, starting in January 2024, on an exclusivity regime, in accordance with the terms of the Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, IP.

- IV. **Work plan:** The aim of the work is to develop boron heterocycles as ROS-responsive linkers.
- V. **Workplace and Scientific Guidance:** The work will be carried out in Building A, at the premises of the Faculty of Pharmacy of University Lisbon, under the scientific guidance of Pedro Miguel Pimenta Góis, Assistant Professor, at the Faculty of Pharmacy of University Lisbon.
- VI. **Monthly maintenance stipend:** The monthly maintenance stipend (grant) corresponds to 1.199,64€, according to the table of values directly attributed by FCT, I.P. in Portugal (<https://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/valores>). Payment will be made via bank transfer.
- In addition to the monthly maintenance stipend the grant holder will also be awarded with the value correspondent to the payment of the first step of Seguro Social Voluntário (voluntary payment of Social Security), in case he/she chooses to be included in this regime.
- VII. **Formalization of applications:** Applications must be sent in non-editable format (PDF), to the address concursos@farm-id.pt, containing the identification of the above mentioned notice. Applications in paper format will not be accepted.
- VIII. **Application deadline:** The deadline for applications is from December 20th 2023 to January 08th 2022 (10 working days).
- IX. **Evaluation and rating criteria:**

Candidate's Merit: Aims to assess compliance with the formal requirements requested in the opening notice, but also to consider the suitability of the scientific area of training and/or specialization, training and professional experience, with a maximum weighting of 100%.

- **Adequacy of the Scientific Training Area (AACF):** Maximum weighting of 25%
 - Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Medicinal and Biopharmaceutical Chemistry, or related areas (M) – 0 to 20 values
- **Training and Experience (FE):** Maximum weighting of 25%
 - Candidates will be scored based on their knowledge of boron heterocycles and chemical biology of boron compounds (CQBB) – 0 to 20 values
- **Specific competencies for the proposed work plan (CEPTP):** Maximum weighting of 50%
 - Candidates will be scored based on their knowledge of heterocycles and design of ROS responsive compounds (CBSROS) – 0 to 20 values

In case it proves necessary, an individual interview will be held with the candidates, in which case the interview will not be scored or will it have weight in the Final Classification, and will only serve to clarify the information provided.

Final Classification: The score obtained in the final classification results from the sum of the points obtained in the Candidate's Merit, an individual form being out for each candidate.

X. Instruction of Application:

- a) Form containing the candidate's identification (*available on the institutional website*);
- b) Curriculum Vitae containing the information necessary for the evaluation of the application;
- c) Proof of obtaining an Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Medicinal and Biopharmaceutical Chemistry, or related areas, or substitution by presenting a declaration of honour (*available on the institutional website*);
- d) Proof of enrolment in a non-conferring academic course or substitution by presenting a declaration of honour (*available on the institutional website*);
- e) Declaration on honour stating that there is no professional activity that violates the exclusivity regime (*available on the institutional website*);
- f) Letter of motivation (optional);
- g) Other supporting documents considered relevant.

All the documents necessary for the correct application are available on the institutional website through the link: <https://www.ff.ulisboa.pt/faculdade/recursos-humanos/recrutamento/anuncio-para-atribuicao-de-1-uma-bolsa-de-investigacao-para-mestres-inscritos-num-curso-nao-conferente-de-grau-academico-aviso-n-o-bicncg-25-farm-id-2023>.

The documents that instruct the application must be submitted in Portuguese or English language.

No document that should have been submitted in the application phase can be submitted after the deadline set in the opening notice. Failure to comply with the deadline set for the submission of the application, as well as the lack or late submission of documents referred to in this point will determine the exclusion from the competition.

- XI. Composition of the Jury:** The Jury responsible for the selection will be constituted by:
- President – Pedro Miguel Pimenta Góis, Associate Professor with habilitation, Faculty of Pharmacy of University Lisbon;
 - 1st Member of the Jury – Carlos Alberto Mateus Afonso, Full Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy of University Lisbon;
 - 2nd Member of the Jury – Tiago Correia de Oliveira Rodrigues, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy of University Lisbon;
 - 1st Alternate Member of the Jury – Jaime Alfredo da Silva Coelho, Assistant Researcher, Faculty of Science of University Lisbon.

- XII. Form of notification of results:** All candidates will be notified of the final results of the evaluation by email, and will have 10 working days after the aforementioned notification to say something, in accordance with the terms of the Code of Administrative Procedure.

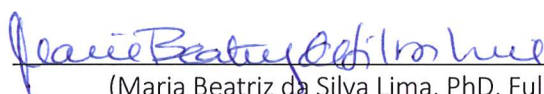
After this notification, and in case there are no claims, the results will become final. In case of claims, and after the allegation is analysed and accepted or rejected, the results will become final after 10 business days.

After the final decision is made, a complaint/appeal can be filed to the Director of the FARM-ID – Faculty of Pharmacy Research and Development Association, Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima, PhD, Full Professor, within 10 working days from the date of notification.

XIII. **Applicable legislation and regulations:** Regulation of Research Grants of the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. (FCT, IP), Regulation no. 950/2019, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 241, of December 16, 2019, of the Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Lisbon, Order no. 6238/2020, of 12 June, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 113, of June 12, 2020, republished by Dispatch No. 8061/2022, published in *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, n.º 126, of July 1, 2022, and of the Research Fellowship Statute (EBI), Decree-Law no. 123/2019, of 28 August, published in *Diário da República*, 1st Series, no. 164, of 28 August 2019.

Faculty of Pharmacy Research and Development Association, December 19th 2023.

The Director,



(Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima, PhD, Full Professor)