

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

Notice no. BICNCG/9/FARM-ID/2025

It is made known that a call for the award of **1 (one) Research Grant for Masters enrolled in a non-degree course** the scope of the project with the reference 2023.11341.PEX, entitled: “*Redução Fotoquímica de Proteínas*” exclusively funded by national funds from the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P., is open under the following conditions:

I. Scientific Area: Medicinal Chemistry

II. Admission Requirements:

- Master's degree in Medicinal Chemistry or related fields¹;
- Be enrolled in a non-degree course integrated into the educational project of ULisboa or one of its schools, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units².

¹All higher education degrees and diplomas awarded by foreign higher education institutions need to be recognised by a Portuguese Institution in accordance with Decree-Law no. 66/2018, of 16 August. The presentation of the recognition is mandatory for signing the contact. For further information, please visit [Degree and Diploma Recognition | DGES](#).

²During the application stage, if the candidates do not have in their possession the documents proving their enrolment in a non-degree course, it may be substituted by a declaration of honor. Proof of registration through the presentation of the 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.

Requirements:

- Experience in Medicinal Chemistry and Chemical Biology.

III. Research Grant Duration: The research grant will have a duration of **6 months renewable**, with an expected start date in July 2025, on an exclusivity regime.

IV. Work Plan: The work involves the photochemical modification of proteins and peptides, namely the disulfide bond.

V. Workplace and Scientific Guidance: The work will be carried out in the Organic Chemistry laboratories, located at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon, under the supervision of Dr. Rafael Filipe Teixeira Arbuez Gomes, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon.

VI. Monthly maintenance stipend: The monthly maintenance allowance (grant) corresponds to **1.309,64€**, according to the table of monthly maintenance grant values directly allocated by the FCT, I.P. in Portugal (https://www.fct.pt/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Tabela_valores_SMM_2025.pdf). 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 email 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 **25th of June to 8th of July 2025 (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):** Candidates will be ranked based on their Scientific Area of Training, with a maximum weighting of 15%.
 - Master's degree in Medicinal Chemistry or related fields (BsC) – 0 to 20 values.
- **Training and Experience (FE):** Candidates will be ranked based on their education, with a maximum score of 50%.
 - Experience in modern methods of Organic Chemistry and experience in peptide and/or protein modification (EXPOC) – 0 to 20 values.
- **Specific competencies for the proposed work plan (CEPTP):** Candidates will be ranked based on their experience in cell culture, with a maximum weighting of 35%.
 - Knowledge in Organic Chemistry, particularly modern methods such as photochemistry and electrochemistry (KOC) – 0 to 20 values.

In the event of a tie, an interview will be conducted with the four (4) top-ranked candidates. In this case, the interview will not be weighted, nor will it affect the final ranking; it will serve solely to clarify any information provided by the candidates.

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 will be filled for each candidate.

X. Instruction of Application:

- a. Application 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. Certificate proving ownership of a Master's degree in Medicinal Chemistry or related fields (if awarded by a Portuguese Higher Education Institution), or a copy of the recognition of a Master's degree (if awarded by a Foreign Higher Education Institution);
- d. Document proving the enrolment in a non-degree course integrated into the educational project of ULisboa or one of its Schools, developed in association or cooperation with one or more R&D units, or declaration of honor (*available on the institutional website*);
- e. Declaration of honour stating that there is no professional activity that violates the exclusivity regime (*available on the institutional website*);
- f. Motivation Letter indicating your experience and suitability for the proposed work plan, particularly the preferred factors and the relevance of the fellowship for your future prospects, as well as the immediate possibility of joining the project;
- g. Contact of two references (optional);
- h. Other relevant supporting documents.

All the documents necessary for the submission of the application are available on the institutional website, through the *link*: <https://www.ff.ulisboa.pt/faculdade/recursos-humanos/reclutamento/bolsa-de-investigacao-para-mestres-projecto-2023-11341-pex>

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 of the candidates will be constituted by:

President – Dr. Rafael Filipe Teixeira Arbuez Gomes, Assistant Professor, FFUL;

1st Member of the Jury – Carlos Alberto Mateus Afonso, PhD, Full Professor, FFUL;

2nd Member of the Jury – Filipa Alexandra Delgado Siopa, Assistant Professor, FFUL;

1st Alternate Member of the Jury – Pedro Miguel Pimenta Góis, PhD, Assistant Professor, FFUL.

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 make a statement, in accordance with the Code of Administrative Procedure.

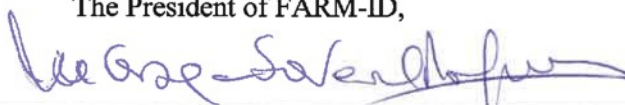
After this notification, and in case there are no claims, the results will become final. In case of claims, and after the allegation is analysed and accepted or rejected, the results will become final after 10 working days.

After the final decision is made, a complaint/appeal can be filed to the President of the Association of the Faculty of Pharmacy for Research and Development, Maria da Graça Tavares Rebelo de Soveral Rodrigues, PhD, Full Professor, within 10 working days from the date of notification.

XIII. Applicable legislation and regulations: Regulation of Research Grants of the Fundação para a Ciências e a Tecnologia, I.P., Regulation no. 950/2019, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 241, on December 16, amended by Regulation no. 643/2021, published in the *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 135, on July 14; Regulation of Research Grants of the University of Lisbon, Order no. 6238/2020, published in *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 113, of 12 June, republished by Order no. 8061/2022, published in *Diário da República*, 2nd Series, no. 126, of 1 July, and Research Fellowship Statute (EBI), Decree-Law no. 123/2019, published in *Diário da República*, 1st Series, no. 164, of 28 August.

Association of the Faculty of Pharmacy for Research and Development, 24th of June 2025.

The President of FARM-ID,



(Maria da Graça Tavares Rebelo de Soveral Rodrigues, PhD, Full Professor)