

NOTICE N.º 018/2022

**OPEN CALL FOR RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATION WITHIN THE TERMS LAID DOWN OF THE
REGULATIONS FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALGARVE**

TITLE: Bachelor Fellowship

It is now open a call for 1 Research Grant within the project Identifying and Modulating the Mechanisms Responsible for Functional Recovery and Axon Regeneration of the injury Acomys Spinal Cord, MC-39-2019-SPINY, funding by Santa Casa da Misericórdia, with the following conditions:

Research Field: Biomedical Sciences

Admission Requirements: Bachelor in Biomedical Sciences or related areas. The candidate should have preferentially previous experience in animal colony management, PCR and genotyping, taking into consideration the of University Of Algarve's Research Grants Regulation (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>).

Candidates must be enrolled in a degree-granting study cycle or in a post-graduate course that does not confer an academic degree, taught at the University of Algarve, except in cases where there is no training offer at UAlg in the area of the competition.

Work Plan: Acomys cahirinus present a notable capacity to regenerate spinal cord lesions. In this project, we pretend to identify the mechanisms underlying this functional recovery and axonal regeneration in full transection of the spinal cord. With this aim, we pretend to recruit a researcher that will maintain the Acomys cahirinus colony from ABC-RI/University of Algarve, to perform task related with the colony housing, genotyping, animal separation and all tasks related with maintenance of the colony. We also pretend that the fellow work in the analysis of transcriptomic data obtained in the project.

Applicable Legislation and regulations: Statute of Scientific Research Fellow, approved by the Law nº 40/2004, from 18 of August, conferred by the Decree Law 123/2019, from July 28th and University Of Algarve's Research Grants Regulation (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>).

Working place: The work will be developed at Neurogenesis Laboratory in ABC-RI from the University of Algarve, under the coordination of Dr. Inês Araújo and Marta Vitorino.

Duration of the grant: The grant will have a contract of 5 months duration, beginning on 01-08-2022, considering UAlg's Research Grants Regulation. (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2021/10/210000000/0013700149.pdf>)

Value of monthly maintenance allowance: The monthly maintenance allowance corresponds to 875,98 euros. The maintenance allowance will be paid monthly by bank transfer. (<https://files.dre.pt/2s/2022/03/057000000/0023900239.pdf>).

Selection criteria will be as follows:

In accordance with nº2 of the article 11º of the FCT Research Grants Regulation, the selection criteria will be the applicant's merit (academic degree; research experience), with the respective scoring of 80%

The evaluation process will include one interview, to the three best candidates selected by the panel, weighting 20% of the total score.

The tender jury shall comprise the following members:

Marta Vitorino (President)
Inês Araújo (Effective member)
Gustavo Tiscornia (Effective member)
Sónia Simão (Substitute member)

Publication and notification of the results: Final results will be publicized through an alphabetic ordered list and posted in a conspicuous and public local of Building 2 (ABC-RI) and communicated to the applicants by e-mail to the addresses indicated by each candidate.

Deadline for applications and submission forms: the call is open from **13/05/2022 to 26/05/2022**

Applications must be accompanied by the following documents:

Official identification document (simple copy or legal equivalent). If you have a nationality other than Portuguese, you should present a residence permit, permanent residence certificate or long-term resident status, valid on the scholarship start date, any of which may be replaced, in its absence, by a declaration of commitment. However, one of the previous must be delivered at the contracting phase, under penalty of forfeiture of the granting of the scholarship;

Copy of the qualification certificates of the academic degrees held, specifying the final classification and, if possible, the classifications obtained in all subjects taken;

If the doctorate has been awarded by a foreign higher education institution, it must conform to the rules established in Decree-Law no. 66/2018 of August 16, and all required formalities must be complied with up to the date of termination deadline for submission of the application. If the completed process is not found until the end of the application deadline, the candidate must prove that he / she has requested the recognition of the degree.

Curriculum Vitae;

Passport or identification card for European applicants (copy);

Taxpayer Identification Number (NIF), if you have a nationality other than Portuguese, it must be submitted during the scholarship contracting phase, under penalty of forfeiture of the scholarship award;

Other documents considered important

The Application Request, dated and signed, must be addressed to the President of the Evaluation Panel (<https://www.ualg.pt/sites/default/files/documentos/2021-07/anexo-iii-requerimento-para-candidatura-bolsaen20210707.pdf>) for the following address: Universidade do Algarve/Building 2 North wing, campus de Gambelas, 8005-139 Faro, Reference (Application to Bachelor Fellowship/MC-39-2019-SPINY) or by email to mvitorino@ualg.pt. If the Application Request is sent by email, the applicant must duly express his/her consent that all notifications regarding this application are sent to the email address given.

-Supporting documents stating that the applicant gathers all the requirements for this grant, namely the enrolment certificate in an awarding degree study cycle or in a postgraduate course;

-Supervisor Declaration taking the responsibility for the Work plan supervision, according to article 5º-A of the Statute of Scientific Research Fellow, as well as assuring the necessary conditions for the development of the work plan and in compliance with article 13 º of the Statute of Scientific Research Fellow;

-Declaration of the Grant acceptance;

-Declaration of commitment stating the exclusivity regime

Complaints and Appeal Deadlines and procedures

On the decision for granting the Research Grant, candidates may, if they wish, comment on the hearing of interested parties, within 10 working days, under the terms provided for in the Administrative Procedure Code.

From the practice or omission of any act of the evaluation panel, candidates can complain to the body, within 10 working days.

The final decision of the evaluation panel can be appealed to the Rector within 15 working days after the respective notification.

scholarship contract

With the applicant(s) selected, and after receiving all the required documentation, a scholarship contract will be signed in accordance with the attached model.

Assessment of the scholarship holder(s)

At the end of each period of duration of the scholarship contract, the activity developed by the scholarship holder(s) is evaluated by the supervisor, by applying the following criteria, in accordance with the attached model:

- a) compliance with the work plan

University of the Algarve reserves the right to cancel this application procedure if by any means the contract celebration with the funding entity is not established.

University of Algarve, 18th April 2022

Scientific Coordinator

Inês Araújo, PhD