

RESEARCH GRANT FOR MSc HOLDER – (BI-M) (1 vacancy)

Reference: [CORAL/BI-MSc/2017-053](#)

A competition is open for the attribution of 1 Research Grant (BM) in the framework of the project “CORAL - Sustainable Ocean Exploitation: Tools and Sensors” with reference NORTE-01-0145-FEDER-000036, financed by the Northern Regional Operational Programme (NORTE2020), through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), according to the following conditions:

1. **Scientific area:** Pharmacological sciences; pharmacognosy.

2. **Admission requirements:**

The candidates must hold a Master degree in a discipline related to Biological or Chemical Sciences and experience in microorganism culturing and/or natural products isolation. Candidates should be fluent in English, written and spoken.

3. **Work plan:**

The work will involve research and communication activities, namely the preparation of cultures of microorganisms, biomass harvest, preparation of extracts and fractions, isolation and characterization of extracted compounds, writing up results in the form of scientific manuscripts and reports, communication of the project’s results to partners and stakeholders, and participation in project meetings.

4. **Legislation and official rules:**

Law n.º. 40/2004, 18th August (Research Fellowship and Studentship Regulation) amended and republished by Decreto-Lei n.º 202/2012, 27th August; Regulations for Studentships and Fellowships of the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P. — 2015 and CIIMAR Grants Regulation.

5. **Work place:**

The work will be carried out at CIIMAR under the scientific supervision of Dr. Pedro Leão.

6. **Duration of the grant:**

Duration of 9 months, starting in January 2018, under the regime of exclusive dedication, eventually renewable until the end of the project (31/12/2018).

7. Monthly maintenance stipend:

The monthly maintenance allowance is 980 € (nine-hundred and eighty Euros), in agreement with the monthly maintenance stipend table of the grants directly attributed by FCT, I.P. within the country (<http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/docs/RegulamentoBolsasFCT2015.pdf>)

8. Selection methods:

The ranking of candidates will be performed by a global evaluation based on the evaluation of the Curriculum Vitae (60% relative weight) and Experience in the field of research related to the position (40% relative weight). The jury may find it necessary to interview the top-three scoring candidates. If so, the interview will be scored at 50% and the pre-interview score will be valued also at 50%.

9. Composition of the jury:

President of the jury: Pedro Leão, PhD

Vogal: Fátima Carvalho, PhD

Vogal: Vitor Ramos, PhD

10. Form of Advertising/notification of the results:

The final results of the evaluation will be published through a list sorting the candidates according to their attributed mark, on the CIIMAR website and by e-mail; in case of disagreement, the candidates have a 10-working day term in which to contest the decision, if he/she so wishes, as provided for in the Código do Procedimento Administrativo in a preliminary hearing setting. The jury reserves the right to not assign the grant depending on the quality of the applications.

11. Deadline for application and presentation of applications:

The competition is open from **27th November until 12th December 2017**. The applications must be formalized, compulsorily, by sending the following documents:

- detailed Curriculum vitae
- copy of the eligibility certificates
- motivation letter
- recommendation letter(s)
- contact e-mail address and phone number
- indication of the reference of the competition (as indicated in this announcement)

- Detailed description of the projects or works that the candidate developed that will be important to demonstrate the adequacy to the function (experience in either microbial culturing or natural products isolation, or both, and fluency in English). Any other documents that the candidates may recognize as relevant.

The applications must be sent by **postal mail** to Emília Afonso, CIIMAR – Centro Interdisciplinar de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental, Terminal de Cruzeiros do Porto de Leixões, **and simultaneously by e-mail** to: secretariado@ciimar.up.pt. The applications that do not include all the elements previously indicated will not be considered.

In case none of the candidates prove to have the profile indicated for carrying out the work plan, the jury reserves the right not to award the grant to the competition.