



CALL FOR AWARDING RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS WITHIN PROJECT GRANTS AND R&D INSTITUTIONS

Senior Post-doctoral Fellowship - Special Regime

One position for a Senior Post-doctoral Fellowship (Special Regime) for a senior post-doctoral fellow is open at the **Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, F.P.**, for the project "*Evaluation of CFTR mutations bearing Premature Termination Codons: NMD susceptibility*", at the Functional Genomics and Proteostasis Research Group of BioISI – Biosystems & Integrative Sciences Institute (CFF Ref: 7207534), financed by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (USA), under the following conditions:

1. **Scientific Area:** Molecular Biology
2. **Requirements for admission:** Candidates should be holders of a PhD in Biosciences (Biochemistry, Molecular Biology or related areas) and at least 8 yrs of post-doctoral research experience.
3. **Factors preferred:** Candidates with skills in the field of RNA (qPCR) and handling of human samples will be favoured; they should have a strong interest in studying RNA-based disease mechanisms by cutting-edge approaches and enjoy working in an international stimulating research environment.
4. **Work plan:** Research will focus on the elucidation of the question: which CFTR mutations causing premature stop codons (PTCs) are subject to the surveillance mechanism of nonsense-mediated decay (NMD)? If we can answer this question, the ultimate goal is the search for compounds that modulate the NMD mechanism to the ultimate benefit of CF patients.
5. **Legislation framework:** A fellowship contract will be celebrated according to the regulations defined by FCT "Regulations for Advanced Training and Qualification of Human Resources", in accordance with Law 40/2004, of 18 August, as amended and republished by Decree-Law No. 202/2012 of 27 August, and as amended by Decree-Law No. 233/2012 of 29 October and by Law No. 12/2013, of January 29, and Decree-Law No. 89/2013 of 9 July; And also by the FCT, I.P. Fellowships Regulation of 2013 approved by Regulation No. 234/2012, of June 25, as amended by Regulation No 326/2013 of 27 August 2013, in force (<http://www.fct.pt/apoios/bolsas/docs/RegulamentoBolsasFCT2015.pdf>) and FFCUL's Fellowship Regulation, as approved on 22nd December 2014
6. **Place of work:** The work will be developed at the Functional Genomics and Proteostasis Research Group of BioISI – Biosystems & Integrative Sciences Institute in Lisboa (Fac of Sciences, University of of Lisboa, Campo Grade C8 bdg, Lisboa, Portugal), under the scientific guidance of Professor Margarida Amaral.
7. **Fellowship duration:** This position is initially opened for **12 months** and will begin on **16 June 2015**. The fellowship contract may be renewed to more **12 months**, or eventually until the end date of the project, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation of Research Fellowships from the Foundation for Science and Technology, I.P. – 2013.
8. **Monthly allowance:** The fellowship amounts to €1500-€2000, depending on candidate's experience (paid each month by bank transfer). The fellowship holder will have a personal accident insurance and, if not covered by any social protection scheme can ensure the right to social security through adherence to the voluntary social insurance scheme, pursuant to Código dos Regimes Contributivos do Sistema Previdencial de Segurança Social. The fellowship will be paid monthly by bank transfer.
9. **Selection method:** Candidates will be assessed by the quality of their CV (50%) and Candidates will be assessed by and experience in the required methodologies (40-50%) and possibly also an interview (10%).



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10. **Selection Committee:** Prof. Margarida Amaral (President), FCUL, Lisboa, Portugal; Prof. Rui Malhó, FCUL, Lisboa, Portugal; Prof. Margarida Gama-Carvalho, FCUL, Lisboa, Portugal. (Substitutes: Dr. Luisa Romão, INSA, Lisboa, Portugal; Prof. Margarida Telhada, FCUL, Lisboa, Portugal)

11. **Publication/notification of results:** The final results of the evaluation will become public, through ordered list *final grade obtained* which will be posted at the entrance hall of the **Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa**, located at the Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa, C1 bldg – 3rd floor, Campo Grande, 1749-016 Lisboa, and the selected candidate will be notified by e-mail.

12. **Deadlines:** This call for applications is open from **09 to 15 June 2015**.

13. **Application:** Applications may be sent via e-mail to Prof. M. Amaral (mdamaral@fc.ul.pt), by attaching the following documents: 1) a motivation letter; 2) a CV with list of publications and description of methodological expertise relevant to this application; 3) references of two people well acquainted with the work of the candidate.