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Public Notice - International Selection Procedure

Recruitment of a Research Technician with a Master Degree (employment contract)

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FCiências.ID - Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento de Ciências, through its President of the Administration Board, hereby announces the opening of an international call for the recruitment of a Research Technician with a MSc Degree, of the FCiências.ID Science and Technology Management Career, within the scope of the project PLASTIMU - Thermal developmental plasticity in adult immunity - molecular mechanisms and evolutionary consequences (Ref. 2023.18093.ICDT and DOI identifier 10.54499/2023.18093.ICDT), financed by Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, I.P./MECI through national funds under project 2023.18093.ICDT, in the form of a(n) full-time indefinite duration fixed-term employment contract , on an exclusive regime, according to the Portuguese Labour Code and complementary legislation.

I. Admission Requirements

Portuguese nationals, foreign and stateless persons may submit applications to this selection procedure, who hold Master's degree* in BIOLOGY or similar areas, and fully comply with the following requirements:

- a) Demonstrated experience in basic molecular biology techniques - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- b) Demonstrated previous experience in scientific research - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter.

* Please note that Degrees obtained in foreign countries need a Portuguese Recognition issued by a Portuguese high degree Institution, according to the [Decree-Law nr. 66/2018](#) of August 16th and the [Ministerial Order nr. 33/2019](#), of January 25th. The presentation of such Recognition is mandatory for contract signature. More information can be obtained in: <https://www.dges.gov.pt/en/pagina/degree-and-diploma-recognition>.

II. Preferential Requirements

- a) Demonstrated experience maintaining and manipulating experimental insects - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- b) Demonstrated experience with microbiology experiments - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- c) Demonstrated experience with experimental evolution - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- d) Demonstrated experience with studies of host-pathogen interactions - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- e) Demonstrated experience with advanced molecular biology techniques - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- f) Demonstrated experience with analysis of insect hormones - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- g) Demonstrated experience with statistical analysis - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- h) Demonstrated experience with analysis of genomic and transcriptomic studies - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- i) Experience with lab management and orders of scientific materials - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- j) Fluency in English and Portuguese - information presented in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- k) Good communication skills - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter;
- l) Excellent organizational skills - information provided in the CV and/or in the motivation letter.

III. Applicable Law

1. Portuguese Labour Code, as approved by Law No. 93/2019, of September 04th, in its current version (CT);
2. Administrative Procedure Code, as published in Decree-Law No. 4/2015, of January 7th, in its current version (CPA).

IV. Work plan

The work plan to be executed includes the following tasks:

- 1) Maintenance of lab animals (butterflies) and their food plants;
- 2) Manage lab stocks, resources, data, space use and orders;
- 3) Handling of animals, including separating stages and sexes, injecting and dissections;
- 4) Running microbiological analysis, including media preparation;
- 5) Manage experimentally evolving bacteria, including passages and phenotyping;
- 6) Provide technical assistance with molecular analysis: hormones, gene expression, DNA sequence;
- 7) Participate in data analysis, report writing, and dissemination activities;
- 8) Provide technical training and general "in-boarding" of new lab members.

The work plan is included in tasks 1-4 of the project.

V. Composition of the Jury

The members of the jury are:

- President – Patrícia Beldade;
- 1st Member of the jury – David Duneau;
- 2nd Member of the jury – Ana Rita Garizo;
- 1st Alternate Member of the jury – Dragan Stajic;
- 2nd Alternate Member of the jury – Roberto Keller.

VI. Place of work

Work will be developed at the facilities of Research Center CE3C – Centre for Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Changes, in Campo Grande, Lisboa, Portugal.

VII. Contract Duration

The full-time indefinite duration fixed-term employment contract, on an exclusive regime, is expected to start in March 2026, and will last until the Work Plan referred to in section IV is completed. It will have an expected duration of 24 months, will not exceed the limits set in the RCD, including an initial experimental trial period of 30 days.

VIII. Monthly Allowance

The gross monthly salary corresponds to 1.232,04 Euros, on an exclusive regime, which complies with one of the Levels of the Salary Table (NTS) for a Research Technician, in step 3 level 12, equivalent to the same level of the Single Remuneratory Table, as approved by Government Order No. 1553-C/2008, of December 31st, in its current version, on which legal discounts will apply, plus holiday and Christmas allowances, as well as food allowance in the amount and conditions set out for workers with a legal employment relationship under the Labour Code.

IX. Evaluation of applications

1. Failure to comply with the Admission Requirements implies the non-admission of candidates in absolute merit.
2. The final classification of candidates is given on a scale of 0 to 100%.
3. Based on the assessment of the candidates' scientific and curricular background, each member of the jury presents a justified proposal for admission (final classification equal to or greater than

60%) or exclusion (final classification below 60%) for each candidate, according to the evaluation criteria referred to in no. 4.

4. Evaluation of the relative merit of candidates, will rely on the following criteria:
 - a) Curriculum vitae, including fit with preferred requirements in section II - 40%
 - b) Letter of motivation, including fit with workplan in section IV - 40%;
 - c) Reference letters - 20%;
 - d) Interview, if deemed necessary by the jury - 30%
5. The jury may decide to interview the 3 best ranked candidates, for clarifications and improved explanations of curricular elements. If there is an interview, the sum of the classification obtained in the evaluation criteria a) to c) will correspond to 70% of the final classification and the interview will correspond to 30%.
6. The jury shall deliberate by means of a roll-call vote based on the evaluation criteria.
7. Minutes of the jury meetings are drawn up, summarizing all relevant elements considered by jury members, as well as their individual votes and justifications.
8. After completion of the evaluation process, the jury will draw up a ranking of successful candidates with their classifications.
9. Hiring will be decided by the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID, based on the final jury recommendation.
10. The candidates will be individually notified of the evaluation results by e-mail sent to the address indicated in the "Personal Data" section of the submitted form.
11. With the notification referred to in no. 10, the hearing phase of interested parties referred to in Article 121 *et seq.* of the CPA will begin, and last for ten working days.
12. The possible pronouncement of the candidate in a prior hearing must be addressed to the President of the jury and submitted in writing to concursos@fcienicias-id.pt. The President of the jury will convene a jury's meeting to produce the final decision, within thirty working days.
13. Within five working days of the final jury decision, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID will approve it and the candidates will be notified.
14. The communication between FCiências.ID (concursos@fcienicias-id.pt) and the candidates will be electronic and will comply with the following rules:
 - a) At the time of electronic submission of any document - namely in the case of no. 12 - the candidates must generate proof of "sent message".
 - b) FCiências.ID will send an email message acknowledging documents received to the email address used by the candidates, within two working days.
 - c) In case of absence of a confirmation receipt by FCiências.ID – showing the possibility of technical problems that should neither be the responsibility of the candidate nor FCiências.ID - the candidates should contact FCiências.ID, with the proof referred to in point (a), to ensure delivery and proper receipt of the documents concerned.

X. Processing of personal data

1. FCiências.ID - Associação para a Investigação e Desenvolvimento de Ciências, as the responsible for processing the personal data, in accordance with the [General Data Protection Regulation](#), collects and processes the personal data requested in the context the job application, under paragraphs b) and c) of Article 6.1 of the General Data Protection Regulation (RGPD).
2. The personal data shall be kept for the period necessary for the execution of the purposes for which they are intended, and the processing and protection, in an appropriate and diligent manner, of the confidentiality and integrity of such data shall be ensured through appropriate technical and organisational measures.
3. Personal data may be transmitted to third parties, namely the entity funding the research project, solely for the purposes specifically established. In this sense, whenever necessary the

transfer of personal data to countries outside the European Union and/or international organizations, compliance with the applicable legal provisions shall be ensured.

4. You have the right to request access, rectification, erasure, limitation of processing, the right to object and also data portability (if technically feasible) by sending an e-mail to: dpo@fcienias-id.pt. You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the National Data Protection Commission.
5. For more information, we recommend that you consult the Internal Rules of Data Protection of FCiências.ID - Association for Research and Development of Sciences at <https://fcienias-id.pt/>.

XI. Compliance with public policies

1. FCiências.ID actively promotes a policy of non-discrimination and equal access, so that no candidate can be privileged, benefited, disadvantaged or deprived of any right or exempt from any duty due to, *inter alia*, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, economic situation, education, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, territory of origin, language, religion, political or ideological beliefs and trade union membership.
2. Under the terms of D.L. No. 29/2001, of February 3rd, a disabled candidate has a preference in equal classification, which prevails over any other legal preference. Candidates must declare their respective degree of disability, the type of disability and the means of communication / expression to be used in the selection process, under the terms of the above-mentioned diploma.

XII. Submission of Applications

1. The present call will be open from the 30th of January to the 19th of February.
2. The application and all the required documents must be submitted in Portuguese or English.
3. Applications will be submitted online, through the electronic platform of FCiências.ID (<http://concursos.fcienias-id.pt>).
4. On the electronic platform, applicants will complete a mandatory section on Personal Data [name, address, date of birth, contact email, nationality and scientific identifiers] and upload files with the documents listed below:
 - i. Detailed *curriculum vitae* in PDF format - *mandatory*;
 - ii. A motivation letter clearly demonstrating that the candidate has an adequate profile for the position and fully complies with the Admission Requirements - *mandatory*;
 - iii. Two reference letter(s) - *mandatory*;
 - iv. Digital copies of documents proving formal academic degrees required in the call (**MSc**) - original documents must be provided in case of actual recruitment - *mandatory*;
 - v. Digital copies of documents proving other scientific and professional qualifications - *optional*;
 - vi. Other documents that candidates consider relevant for the assessment of their scientific merit, or to declare the personal situation in the cases covered in section XI-2 of this Notice - *optional*.
5. By decision of the Chairman of the Board of Directors of FCiências.ID, candidates who do not submit the documents identified in no. 4 will not be admitted to the call. In case of doubts, the Chairman may also invite candidates to substantiate specific data or statements with official supporting documents, before accepting the candidates' submission.

This Public Note was approved by the jury on the 29th of January 2026.