E D U A R D A VENTURA MEDICINAL CHEMIST



LANGUAGES

Portuguese

English

Spanish

EDUCATION

MASTER OF SCIENCE UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA (PORTUGAL) / 2022

Master's degree in Applied Pharmacology with a **final score of 17/20** completed at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Coimbra I'm a 24 year old medicinal chemist, **specialist in pharmacology and neurodegenerative diseases**. I developed a master thesis with focus on **Alzheimer's disease** that was awarded a **final score of 19 out of 20** values. My goal is to become a **researcher** within the field of **neurological disorders**.

I'm experienced in **chemical synthesis**, **UV spectroscopy**, **chemical and microbiological assays** and **cellular cultures**. My work passion is found in the laboratory, with specific interest in the **development of novel compounds targeting disease mechanisms**.

I consider myself an enthusiastic woman, very **open-minded** and with a great **willingness to learn**.

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Jul 2023 - Present Carregado, Lisbon	PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP Temporary professional internship at the Quality Control Department of Somaí Pharmaceuticals, Lda, a pharmaceutical start-up that produces
	cannabis-based products. As a laboratory analyst, the role includes performing chemical and microbiological tests, as well as water and environmental monitoring.
7 0000	REVIEW ARTICLE
Jan 2023 - ● Present Coimbra, Portugal	Research and writing of a review article regarding the effects of chemical modifications of the curcumin molecule on it's biochemical properties and biological activity (anti- inflammatory and antioxidant activities) in collaboration with Sónia Silva Santos, Assistant

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA (PORTUGAL) / 2020

Bachelor's degree in **Medicinal Chemistry** granted by the Faculty of Science and Technologies of the University of Coimbra

LINKS

LinkedIn Profile: https://www.linkedin.com/in/edua rda-s-ventura/

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

MERIT BOARD

Oct 2022 / University of Coimbra

Took part in the Merit Board of the **top 5% students** in the academic year 2021/2022

MASTER THESIS Oct 2022 / University of Coimbra

Awarded **19 out of 20** points for my Master's Thesis, in a collaboration between two universities - UC, Coimbra and ISEL, Lisbon Sep 2021 - Oct 2022 ISEL - Chemical and Biological Engineering Department, Lisbon

Mar 2020 - Jul 2020 FCTUC - Chemistry Deparment, Coimbra **Professor** at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Coimbra

MASTER THESIS

Experimental work in the ISELGreen Lab as a part of my Master's thesis with the theme **"Synthesis of Multifunctional Molecules from Curcuminoid Derivatives with Application in Alzheimer's Disease"**. The project involved the chemical synthesis, characterization and biological activity evaluation of novel organic compounds using a cellular model.

BACHELOR INTERNSHIP

Experimental work in the Organic Laboratory as a part of my bachelor's internship final report with the theme **"Synthesis of Isatin Derivatives -Application of the Ugi reaction in preparation of novel compounds with potential biological activity"**. The project included the chemical synthesis, purification and characterization of novel organic compounds.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

	53rd Meeting of the	•	ORAL COMMUNICATION
	Portuguese Society of Pharmacology Feb 2023		Public presentation of the research group's work with the theme "Development of a curcumin derivative: impact on neuroinflammation and beta-amyloid plaques in Alzheimer's Disease in cellular models"
	Chemistry Students Union - University of Coimbra Feb 2019 Coimbra	•	4TH SCIENTIFIC MEETING - GREEN CHEMISTRY National congress with the presence of several portuguese scientists who present their research projects. This edition was entitled "Green Chemistry: Re-thinking Chemistry"
	Chemistry Students Union - University of Coimbra Nov 2018 Coimbra	•	EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEUR MARKETPLACE OF THE CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT Marketplace within the students community that included several lectures from chemists and business leaders in the medicinal chemistry field regarding scientific, corporate and motivational aspects of their business.

SKILLS

Synthesis of Organic Compounds

General Informatic Skills

Microbiological Assays

Compound Caracterization by NMR

Molecular Modelling

DRIVING LICENSE

Driving license category B1, B FCTUC - Chemistry Department of the University of Coimbra

Apr 2017 Coimbra

5TH NATIONAL MEETING OF CHEMISTRY STUDENTS - ENEQUI

Scientific congress with the purpose of updating chemistry's state of the art, in the industry and society. This edition had the presence and oral communication of the **Nobel Prize laureate crystallographer, Ada E. Yonath.**

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lote 16 Restaurant

Jan 2023 - Present Cantanhede, Coimbra

PAPA Restaurant

Dec 2020 - Jul 2021 Coimbra

ASSISTANT CHEF

Part-time occupation as a preparation chef in an intimate 50 seats restaurant. Under my guard is the management and application of scientificbased techniques in food preparation with the purpose of enhancing the kitchen's yield and performance.

KITCHEN ASSISTANT

Part-time occupation as an ingredient and meal preparation assistant, serving up to 180 people in the city center. Tasks included cooking techniques optimization and portion management. Cleaning and organization of the spaces were mandatory, as well as team work ethic.