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Scientific Merit and Excellence

We are delighted to announce that CITAB received an award on UTAD Day.

This is the first time that the Merit and Excellence Award has been presented to our Centre (see the moment [here](#) - 1:57:07 min.).

This is the result of a collective effort, and we would therefore like to congratulate all our members and researchers

Learn all about it [here!](#)



Advanced Research Grant in Oncology

The project will be developed under the guidance of [Paula Oliveira](#), a researcher at CITAB. This highlights CITAB's role in promoting interdisciplinary research with an impact on health and society.

StrengthS4WineChain organises its 1st Seminar

27/03/2026

FFUP

With several guests and a variety of topics, this will be a day focused on innovation in the wine industry.

EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF SOIL SCIENCE

Rupesh Kumar Singh has joined the editorial team of the [EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF SOIL SCIENCE](#) as an associate editor. The EJSS is an international journal (Q1) with a high reputation in soil science.



JORGE BARROS **PUBLICLY DEFENDED** **HIS PHD**

CITAB extends its sincere congratulations to the new Doctor for his success and for the relevant scientific contributions produced throughout her research.

More information [here!](#)



A PRESTIGIOUS **HONOUR FOR** **ANA AFONSO**

"This distinction highlights the importance of fostering cross-border scientific collaboration and supporting the dissemination of high-quality research (...)" states [Maria José Saavedra](#), co-author of the article.

Learn more about this [here](#).



MINI-SCIENTISTS **FOR** **A DAY**

This was an opportunity to explore some concepts related to plants and their importance in everyday life through small, hands-on activities tailored to their age group.

Everything you need to know [here!](#)

SUSTAINABLE AGRIFOOD **PRODUCTION 2026!**

2nd Session of the Seminar series

In this session, the usual two PhD students/Researchers presentations:

[Ondina Ribeiro](#), from CITAB (UTAD), with "Ecotoxicological effects of amphetamine and its enantiomers on zebrafish embryos and larvae";

Adriano BingoBingo from GreenUPorto (UPorto), discussed the topic: "Application of endophytic bacteria as a biotechnological approach to enhance drought tolerance in wheat";

The Inov4Agro Guest Researcher was Davi Farias (CITAB). The theme of his presentation was: "The paradigm of NAMs in Toxicology and Pharmacology: from computational predictions to analyses in biological models".



MAR 18

EVENT SCHEDULE

#2 Seminar **PhD Students &** **Scholarship** **Researchers**

14H00

CITAB | Invited
Researcher **Davi Farias**

14H30

CITAB | Ondina Ribeiro

14H50

GreenUPorto | Adriano
Bingobingo

Get to know...

ELISABETE GONÇALVES

“Soon, I will coordinate the project “EX_MEN - EXERCISE AS MEDICINE: Can Exercise Optimise Prostate Cancer Treatment?”, funded by FCT under the 2024 Exploratory Research Projects Call. EX_MEN addresses a clinically relevant question: can exercise safely mitigate the adverse effects of androgen deprivation therapy without compromising its antitumor efficacy in prostate cancer?”

The approval of EX_MEN reflects my commitment to innovative research and reinforces CITAB’s mission to promote high-quality science with direct impact on human health and well-being.”

Keep reading [here!](#)



Learn about the work of our Integrated Members.



SANDRA MARTINS

“My scientific activity is mainly focused on studying and implementing sustainable practices to improve crop resilience and competitiveness, under changing climate conditions. Focusing particularly on Mediterranean agroecosystems, such as olive trees and grapevines, the effectiveness of these strategies is assessed through plant physiological, biochemical, and agronomic responses, and soil quality indicators.

A significant part of the work is conducted in partnership with stakeholders, to ensure the transfer of scientific knowledge and promote the development of sustainable and climate-resilient agricultural systems.”

Learn more [here!](#)

Press/Media/Clipping:



90 SEGUNDOS DE CIÊNCIA

Paula Oliveira, a researcher at CITAB, was a guest on Antena 1's programme "90 Segundos de Ciência". She coordinates a project that aims to assess the therapeutic potential of physical exercise in bladder cancer.

Listen to it [here!](#)



CITAB FEATURED IN PERSPETIVA ATUAL!

Raul Morais, a researcher at CITAB, was interviewed for Perspetiva Atual, in which the work carried out within the scope of Wine&Wine was highlighted.

An interview to remember [here](#).



PHD WELCOME DAY!

CITAB welcomed the FCT PhD fellows (2025 edition), who will develop their research projects at our Centre. The session was attended by several professors and researchers, as well as the Director of CITAB.

Learn more about this day [here](#).



STRENGTHS4WINECHAIN - 1ST SEMINAR!

With several guests and a variety of topics, the day was focused on innovation in the wine industry.

Take a look [here](#).



90 SEGUNDOS DE CIÊNCIA

João Santos, Director and researcher at CITAB, was a guest on Antena 1's "90 Segundos de Ciência" programme. He coordinates the MONTEVITIS Project to promote the climate resilience of vine and wine production in Montenegro.

Listen it [here](#).

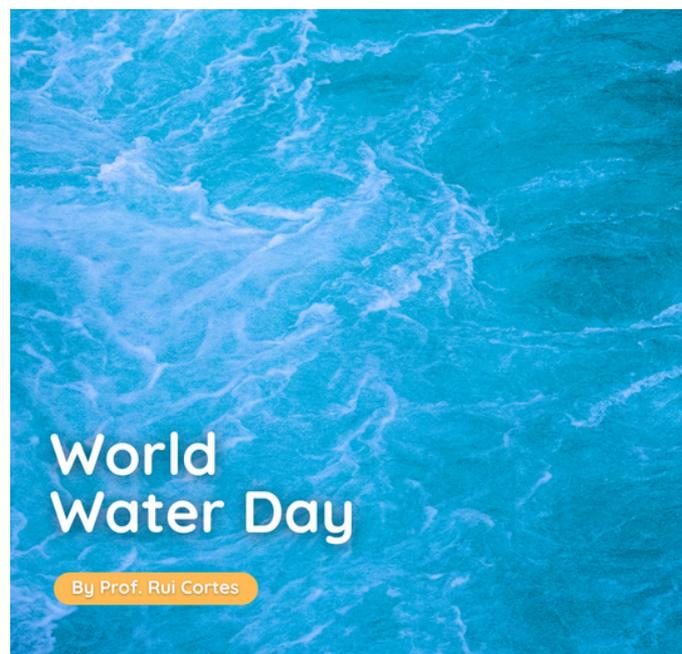


O GUIA DO PÃO EM PORTUGAL

CITAB hosted a book launch for "O Guia do Pão em Portugal". The event was also supported by two renowned bakeries in Vila Real — Dibia and Padaria Fernandes & Fernandes.

Read the full interview [here](#).

Opinion Articles:



Take a look...

March Information Session:

Subject:

- [CBE JU 2026](#) (Info Day)
- [PRIMA 2026](#) (Info Day)
- [Horizon Europe Research Infrastructures](#) (Info Day)

In order to continue sharing information about projects, events, research, awards and other topics, we would like to ask **all CITAB members to share relevant information** with the Communications Office.