

## 留学生として日本に来て

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My name is João Cardoso, I am a third-year PhD student at Yamaguchi University, Graduate School of Science and Technology in the Life Sciences course.

I originally come from Covilhã, Portugal, a small city located on one of the tallest mountains in Portugal. I studied Biotechnology at University of Beira Interior in my hometown because I wanted to become a scientific researcher in life sciences.

I think that every scientific researcher, should have an international experience. This is one of the reasons why I wanted to study in Japan in the first place. Also, Japanese culture is so different from Portuguese culture that I thought this would be a very enriching experience. In my opinion, the world is like a library, every single person is a different exotic book. One can always learn something from another person. The further we go, the more we learn.

I started learning Japanese language for about 3 years before coming to Japan and I also enrolled in Japanese classes at Yamaguchi University.

I wished my Japanese level was better, but I am still learning every day. My limited vocabulary allows me to communicate in daily life but I still feel it is not good enough. Kanji is so hard to learn, and it takes a lot of years! However, I truly enjoy studying Japanese writing, I even had Japanese Calligraphy classes (Shodō) and I loved it!

Now, I am living in Ube for more than two years and I can say that I really like living here. Everyone is extremely nice and helpful here.



Bioprocesses team in graduation day (2017)



Currently, I am studying protein purification techniques in the bioprocess team. My study can be applied to purification of antibodies that can be used to treat several types of cancer. Our research team here works hard to investigate new methods or new ways to improve purification techniques, so that treatments with biomolecules can one day be used

by everyone. Also, as their responsibility, research teams should not only research but also educate and present their new findings to their communities and other peer researchers.

In the future, I hope that all the work I am doing here can continue and someday I will be able to conduct my independent research.

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			9:00～正午	正午～17:00	17:00～22:00
会議室 A	約40㎡	24名	1,000	1,500	2,000
会議室 B	115	90名	2,000	3,000	4,000
会議室 AB	155	120名	3,000	4,500	6,000
会議室 E	66	25名	1,500	2,000	3,000
和 室 C	20	8帖	1,000	1,500	2,000
和 室 CD	40	16帖	1,500	2,000	3,000

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会費納入者	1泊 3,000円	15:00～10:00
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