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## Affiliation

- Apr 2023 – Present     ♦ **Research Assistant**, High-Assurance Software Laboratory, INESC TEC.  
Out 2021 – Out 2022     ♦ **M.Sc. Student**, High-Assurance Software Laboratory, INESC TEC.

## Education

- Apr 2023 – Present     ♦ **Ph.D. in Informatics**, University of Minho.  
Sep 2017 – Oct 2022     ♦ **M.Sc. in Biomedical Engineering**, University of Minho.  
Specialization: Medical Informatics.  
Dissertation title: *Deep Learning for Image Generation*.  
Sep 2011 – Aug 2017     ♦ **English Course**, The Kids' Club.  
B2 Certification.

## Publications

### Journal Articles

- 1 **B. Cepa**, C. Brito, and A. Sousa, "To FID or not to FID: Applying GANs for MRI image generation in HPC," *bioRxiv*, 2024. 🔗 DOI: 10.1101/2024.09.27.615343. eprint: <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2024/09/29/2024.09.27.615343.full.pdf>.
- 2 A. Oliveira, **B. Cepa**, C. Brito, and A. Sousa, "MAC: An artifact correction framework for brain MRI based on deep neural networks," *bioRxiv*, 2024. 🔗 DOI: 10.1101/2024.08.02.606374. eprint: <https://www.biorxiv.org/content/early/2024/08/06/2024.08.02.606374.full.pdf>.

### Conference Proceedings

- 1 **B. Cepa**, C. Brito, and A. Sousa, "Generative adversarial networks in healthcare: A case study on MRI image generation," in *2023 IEEE 7th Portuguese Meeting on Bioengineering (ENBENG)*, 2023, pp. 48–51. 🔗 DOI: 10.1109/ENBENG58165.2023.10175330.

## Experiences

### M.Sc. Dissertation Supervision

- Sep 2023 – Nov 2024     ♦ **Federated Learning-based Artifact Correction in Brain MRI scans in HPC environments**, INESC TEC and University of Minho.  
Co-supervisor of Alícia Oliveira.  
Co-advised with Cláudia Brito and António Sousa.
- Sep 2022 – Present     ♦ **Benchmarking Distributed Machine Learning Frameworks for Healthcare Use Cases**, INESC TEC and University of Minho.  
Co-supervisor of Luís Branco.  
Co-advised with Cláudia Brito and António Sousa.

## Experiences (continued)

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### Talks

- Apr 2024      ◇ **Latex + Mendeley**  
Workshop Speaker in WEEKSHOP.  
University of Minho, Portugal.
- Feb 2024      ◇ **Medical Imaging Informatics: A Whole New World**  
Workshop Speaker at the XIX Biomedical Engineering Summit.  
University of Minho, Portugal.
- Jun 2023      ◇ **Generative Adversarial Networks in Healthcare: A case study on MRI Image Generation**  
Poster Presentation in the 7th IEEE Portuguese Meeting on Bioengineering (EN-BENG 2023).  
Porto, Portugal.

### Certification

- Apr 2016      ◇ **Certified Level B2 in English.** Awarded by the University of Cambridge.

### Committees

- Mar 2024 – Present      ◇ **School of Engineering Board**  
Student Representative.  
University of Minho, Portugal.
- May 2023 – Present      ◇ **Course Committee of the Doctoral Program in Informatics**  
Student Representative.  
University of Minho, Portugal.

### Associations

- Oct 2020 – Apr 2021      ◇ **Gabinete de Alunos de Engenharia Biomédica (GAEB)**  
Vice-Director of the Recreational Department.  
University of Minho, Portugal.

### Events

- Sep 2024      ◇ **ACM Europe Summer School on HPC Computer Architectures for AI and Dedicated Applications**, Barcelona, Spain.  
Participant.  
Event dates: 01/09/2024 – 06/09/2024.
- Feb 2021      ◇ **XVI Biomedical Engineering Summit**, University of Minho, Portugal.  
Member of the Organizing Committee.  
Event dates: 18/02/2021 – 20/02/2021.

## Achievements

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- ◇ **Implemented two GAN architectures** (DCGAN and WGAN-GP) to generate MRI images of the brain in a distributed environment.
- ◇ **Collaborated with the School of Psychology** of the University of Minho to study and predict the caregiver burden of patients with Alzheimer's Disease.
- ◇ **Certificate of Honor for Outstanding Performance** in the ACM Europe Summer School on HPC Computer Architectures for AI and Dedicated Applications.

## Scholarships

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| May 2023 – Present  | ◇ <b>Research Grant</b> (10241/BI-M-ED_B2/2023).<br>Awarded by INESC TEC.         |
| Mar 2022 – Sep 2022 | ◇ <b>Research Initiation Grant</b> (9547/BII-E_B4/2022).<br>Awarded by INESC TEC. |

## Skills

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| Languages        | ◇ <b>Portuguese.</b> Native language.<br><b>English.</b> Reading and Listening: C2; Writing: C1; Speaking: B2.<br><b>French.</b> Reading and Listening: B1; Writing and Speaking: A1. |
| Technical Skills | ◇ <b>Python.</b> Machine and Deep Learning models.<br><b>Medical Imaging Informatics.</b> Image pre-processing, image generation.<br><b>Distributed Computation.</b> SLURM.           |
| Soft Skills      | ◇ Academic Research, Team Work, Problem Solving, Public Speaking.   |