

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION		
<u>BIAL FOUNDATION</u>		
CHAPTER I - NATURE, NATIONALITY, DURATION, HEADQUARTERS AND		
PURPOSE		
ARTICLE ONE:		
The BIAL FOUNDATION, hereinafter referred to as the Foundation, established by its		
founders, Luís António Silva Duarte Portela and BIAL-Portela & C.a, S.A., by public deed		
of 6 May 1994, is a legal entity of private law and public utility, having its own legal		
capacity, which will be governed by these articles of association and, in all that is omitted		
herefrom, by the applicable legislation		
ARTICLE TWO:		
The Foundation is a Portuguese and perpetual institution		
ARTICLE THREE:		
The Foundation has its headquarters in the municipality of Trofa, at Av. da Siderurgia		
Nacional, parish of Coronado (S. Romão e S. Mamede)		
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ARTICLE FOUR:		
One - The purpose of the Foundation is to promote the scientific study of human being		
both from a physical and spiritual perspective		
Two - In pursuit of its purpose, the Foundation will:		



<b>CHAPTER III –</b> BODIES
disposing of any type of property
The Foundation may perform all acts necessary to manage its assets, acquiring and
ARTICLE SIX:
c) the income from its own assets
donations made to it;
b) any resources that may come to it gratuitously, namely through any future
a) the initial endowment made by the founders in the founding act;
The Foundation's assets comprise:
ARTICLE FIVE:
CHAPTER II – ASSETS
Board of Directors
c) promote other such undertakings appropriate to its purpose, as decided by the
parapsychology
scientific research grants, including but not limited to the areas of psychophysiology and
b) create support systems for scientific research projects and the introduction of
de Medicina" and "Prémio BIAL de Medicina Clínica" forms;
medical nature, including but not limited to the "Prémio BIAL", in its "Grande Prémio BIAL
a) introduce prizes aimed at rewarding scientific research work, in particular of a



ARTICLE SEVEN:
The Foundation's bodies are the following:
a) The Board of Directors;
b) The Executive Committee;
c) The Fiscal Board;
d) The Scientific Board
SECTION I - BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARTICLE EIGHT:
One – The Board of Directors is composed of five members: the chairman and four other
members
Two – The Board of Directors is chaired by the founder Luís António Silva Duarte Portela,
or by whom he may appoint for that purpose
Three - Two of the members will be university professors appointed by the Council of
Rectors of Portuguese Universities, or by any body with identical structure and functions
that may replace it; in the absence of such a body, appointments will be the responsibility
of the Rector of the University of Porto. At least one of the members will be a professor
at the University of Porto
Four - The other two members will be appointed by the Board of Directors of BIAL -
SGPS, S.A., with head-office at Av. da Siderurgia Nacional, parish of Coronado (S.
Romão e S. Mamede), municipality of Trofa, with a share capital of fifty-two million, five
hundred thousand euros, registered at the Commercial Registry Office of Trofa under
the common registration and taxpayer identification number 504660063, or by its
successor, in accordance with article twenty four, paragraph three of these articles of
association



Board of Directors		
One – The term of office of the Board members is four years		
Two - If a Board member is absent or incapacitated, they will be replaced until the end		
of the four-year term in progress by the entity responsible for appointing them in		
accordance with the articles of association		
ARTICLE TEN:		
The Board of Directors will be responsible for:		
a) Managing the Foundation's assets;		
b) Disposing of the Foundation's assets, in compliance with the applicable laws;		
c) Resolving on proposals to amend the articles of association, change and		
dissolve the Foundation;		
d) Programming the Foundation's activities and drawing up and approving its		
Activity Plan and Budget;		
e) Establishing regulations, namely with regard to any prizes the Foundation may		
manage and the award of scientific research grants;		
f) Drawing up, submitting to the opinion of the Fiscal Board, and approving, on		
an annual basis, the Management Report, Inventory, Balance Sheet and Accounts for		
the financial year, which corresponds to the calendar year;		
g) Electing the two members of the Executive Committee;		
h) Selecting the members of the Scientific Board;		
i) Hiring and dismissing staff;i		
j) Appointing proxies;		



k) Representing the Foundation in and out of court, in the capacity of plaintiff or
defendant
l) Ensuring compliance with the law, the articles of association and the resolutions
of the Foundation's bodies
ARTICLE ELEVEN:
The Foundation will be bound by:
a) The actions of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, while the position is
filled by the Founder Luís António Silva Duarte Portela;
b) The actions of two Board members;
c) The actions of a Board member in the exercise of powers delegated to them
by the Board of Directors;
d) The actions of a proxy, appointed for a certain and determined act
ARTICLE TWELVE:
One - The Board of Directors will meet ordinarily twice a year, and extraordinarily
whenever convened by its Chairman, on his own initiative or at the request of any Board
member or the Fiscal Board
Two – The quorum for the Board of Directors is three Board members and its resolutions
are taken by an absolute majority of votes cast, with no abstentions permitted
Three – The Chairman has the casting vote
Four - Minutes of all meetings will be drawn up in the appropriate book and signed by
all in attendance
SECTION II - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



ARTICLE THIRTEEN:		
One – The Executive Committee forms part of the Foundation's Board of Directors and		
is made up of three members, with a Chairman and two other members		
Two - The Executive Committee is automatically chaired by the Chairman of the Board		
of Directors		
Three - One of the members of the Executive Committee will be chosen from among		
the two members of the Board of Directors appointed by the Council of Rectors of		
Portuguese Universities or by any body with identical structure and functions that may		
replace it or, in the absence of such a body, by the Rector of the University of Porto		
Four – The other member will be chosen from among the two members of the Board of		
Directors appointed by the Board of Directors of BIAL - SGPS, S.A., or by its successor,		
in accordance with article twenty four, paragraph three of these articles of association		
ARTICLE FOURTEEN:		
The term of office of the members of the Executive Committee shall always be the same		
as the term of office for the Board of Directors to which they belong		
ARTICLE FIFTEEN:		
The Executive Committee is responsible for:		
a) The day-to-day management of the Foundation, including all actions aimed at		
implementing resolutions previously passed by the Board of Directors or which consist		
in undertaking powers that do not involve disposing of the Foundation's assets or		
substantial changes to the Activity Plan and Budget approved by the Board of Directors;		
b) Awarding scientific research prizes and grants;		
c) Organising symposiums and other scientific events;		



d) Negotiating and contracting the services necessary for conducting the
programmed activities;
e) Managing the Foundation's staff
ARTICLE SIXTEEN:
One - The Executive Committee will meet ordinarily six times a year, and extraordinarily
whenever convened by its Chairman, on his own initiative or at the request of any other
member
Two – The quorum for the Executive Committee is two members and its resolutions are
taken by an absolute majority of votes cast, with no abstentions permitted
Three – The Chairman has the casting vote
Four - Minutes of all meetings will be drawn up in the appropriate book and signed by
all in attendance
SECTION III - FISCAL BOARD
ARTICLE SEVENTEEN:
One – The Fiscal Board is composed of three members, one of which will be a statutory
audit firm or a statutory auditor appointed by the Board of Directors of BIAL - SGPS, S.A.
or its successor, in accordance with article twenty four, paragraph three of these articles
of association, while the other two will be appointed by the founder, Luís António Silva
Duarte Portela, and the Council of Rectors of Portuguese Universities, the latter being
responsible for appointing the Chair
Two – Its term of office is four years



I hree – If a member of the Fiscal Board is absent or incapacitated, they will be replaced
until the end of the four-year term in progress by the entity responsible for appointing
them in accordance with the articles of association
ARTICLE EIGHTEEN:
The Fiscal Board is responsible for:
a) Periodically examining the Foundation's accounts;
b) Examining the Foundation's accounts at the end of each financial year and
issuing an opinion on them by 31 March of the following year
<b>SECTION IV -</b> SCIENTIFIC BOARD
ARTICLE NINETEEN:
One - The Scientific Board is composed of an odd number of members, not less than
eleven, chosen by the Board of Directors from among personalities of recognised
scientific merit
Two – The term of office for the Scientific Board is four years
Three - If a member of the Scientific Board is absent or incapacitated, they will be
replaced until the end of the four-year term in progress, by decision of the Board of
Directors
ARTICLE TWENTY:
The Scientific Board is responsible for:
a) Issuing an opinion on the regulations for awarding scientific research prizes
and grants;
b) Issuing an opinion on applications for scientific research grants;



c) Issuing an opinion on any matter that the Board of Directors may submit for its
consideration
ARTICLE TWENTY-ONE:
One – The Scientific Board will meet whenever it is convened by the Board of Directors
<b>Two –</b> The Scientific Board may allocate among its members, according to their respective expertise, the issue of the opinions referred to in paragraph b) of the preceding article.
CHAPTER IV – GENERAL AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS
ARTICLE TWENTY-TWO:
One – The Foundation may change its purpose, either expanding on it or assigning a different one, in accordance with the law.
Two – The Foundation may be dissolved in accordance with the law
Three – In the event that the Foundation is dissolved, its assets will revert to the University of Porto
ARTICLE TWENTY-THREE:
The persons appointed to hold statutory positions may always be reappointed, without prejudice to article eight, paragraph five.
prejudice to article eight, paragraph live.
ARTICLE TWENTY-FOUR:



One - The power to appoint the Chairman of the Board of Di	rectors and a member of the		
Fiscal Board, bestowed on the founder Luís António Silva Duarte Portela by articles			
eight, paragraph two and seventeen, paragraph one of these articles of association, wi			
fall upon his death to the person or entity duly indicated by said founder in his will and			
in the absence of such indication, to his heirs			
Two - After the death of the above-mentioned founder, the	e people or entities with the		
power to appoint the Chairman of the Board of Directors	and a member of the Fisca		
Board will be able to designate who should make these appointments in the future			
Three - The power to appoint two members of the Board o	f Directors and one member		
of the Fiscal Board, conferred on BIAL - SGPS, S.A. in these articles of association, may			
be irrevocably transferred by the latter, in the form of a publi	ic deed and with the express		
consent of the founder Luís António Silva Duarte Portela, i	f still alive, to an entity of its		
choice, and this power may be successively transferred und	der the same terms		
Coronado (S. Romão e S. Mamede), 29 Sep	otember 2015		
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