

Motivational Letter

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I am writing this letter to describe in more detail my willingness to apply to ManagiDiTH Master's program.

I have been a medical doctor with a specialty in anatomic pathology, for 10 years. Since my residency, I have had a special interest in breast pathology, most specifically oncologic breast pathology. I have been fully dedicated to this field of pathology for the past 5 years. For the past 10 years, I have been working with a very differentiated multidisciplinary team in Breast Cancer at the Champalimaud Foundation. I have been exposed to digital pathology for the past 5 years and had the privilege to have the opportunity to work with AI in collaboration with diverse groups. I have also collaborated with the IT department to establish synoptic reports to organize and retrieve anatomic pathology data for clinical and research purposes.

I would like to participate and help make the bridge between traditional pathology and modern pathology, where digital integration is essential to assure better quality and safety of diagnosis, which will allow better patient care. This new way of making pathologic diagnoses will additionally allow data stratification and the creation of new opportunities for the correlation of pathology data and radiology and clinical outcomes of patients and diseases.

Anatomic pathology is the main pillar of oncologic care. Therefore, investment in this area of medicine allowing its integration with digital health systems is crucial.

I am eager to have the opportunity to learn more about digital health skills and integrate these new learnings with my experience and creative mind.

I kindly hope you consider me for this application.

Sincerely,

Rita Canas-Marques