

APPEL A PROJET EMERGENCE

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1. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The research project

Funded research projects must meet the following criteria:

- Projects fitting into the Foundation's priority issues and research areas
- Project presenting an innovative approach, technological and/or conceptual breakthrough
- A pilot project or a project that will enable the implementation of a research program eligible for larger-scale national or international funding
- Projects with clear objectives that can be achieved within 12 months
- Projects introducing a new RMDs theme within a new or existing team will be encouraged

The project leader

The call for projects is intended for:

- Senior researchers working in a French research unit
- Senior researchers wishing to initiate a new project or a new research theme on RMDs within a new or existing team
- Senior researchers wishing to introduce a new technological expertise and/or a new research approach in their research unit
- Applications from researchers returning from a professional stay abroad are encouraged
- 2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FUNDING

The amount allocated per project is **€25,000** for a period of 1 year.

The funding granted may be devoted to:

- operating costs of the project (including mission expenses, which must not exceed 5% of the total amount)
- purchase of small equipment and research materials
- subcontracts with companies and/or public and/or private laboratories
- research master internship compensation, which may not exceed the duration of the grant.

The management or operating expenses of the managing organization will not be covered by this funding. Upon request, a letter specifying an exemption from management and/or operating costs may be issued to your institution.



3. COMMITMENT TO THE FONDATION

If the project is selected by the Foundation, the researcher agrees to:

- To attend Jacques Courtin Day and present the obtained results to the attendees including scientists and members of the Foundation's governing bodies.
- At the end of the work, submit a scientific and financial report summarizing the entire period.
- To mention the support of the Foundation ARTHRITIS in its publications, press releases and any written or oral presentation of work.
- To send the publications relating to the project to the Foundation ARTHRITIS as soon as possible before submission

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated by a committee of mixed experts composed of members of the Scientific Council of the Foundation ARTHRITIS.

Funding will be granted after the Scientific Council's opinion and approval by the Foundation ARTHRITIS' Board of Directors, who will judge:

- the project's theme and its relevance to the Foundation's priority research areas, which is an
 exclusion criterion, meaning that your proposal won't be reviewed if the evaluators declared
 it out of scope.
- the stage of the project: only projects in the seed phase will be evaluated
- the innovative and original nature of the project
- the project's development potential
- the potential of the expected results to lead to larger-scale funding
- the potential to develop a new research theme on RMS
- the establishment of a new technological expertise within the laboratory
- the feasibility of the project: identified objectives achievable within 12 months, Are also considered in the feasibility criteria are the management of project data, particularly between the various project partners, the ethics-ethical authorization of the project and the statistical analyses.
- the scientific quality of the project including relevance of the scientific questions and objectives, preliminary data and methodology
- the scientific quality of the project leader and his/her team (e.g. career, suitability of the team to the stated objectives and project plan, publications)

Important information's:

- All applications are evaluated in accordance with the confidentiality agreement.
- Project leaders must be careful about the format of uploaded documents. We strongly advise
 you to insert your diagram in PDF format and not directly on the text frame which tend to
 slow the submission step.
- Applications received late and/or incomplete will not be evaluated.
- Applications that do not meet the eligibility criteria will not be evaluated.

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 A team may submit only one application for funding. In case of multiple applications from the same team (HCERES certification will be used to define the different team from a same laboratory), none of the applications will be considered