



Labex Bio-Psy

4th year PhD fellowships Call 2015

Context

The Labex Bio-Psy (Laboratory of Excellence, biology for Psychiatry) is a French network of biologists and clinicians joining forces to promote and develop research on psychiatric disorders. Our common goal is to better understand the causes and mechanisms of mental disorders and to improve their diagnosis and treatment. Our efforts also aim to identify new biomarkers, propose new approaches for prevention and treatment, and evaluate the economic costs and benefits of research progress.

Goal

The present call is launched by the Bio-Psy Labex to offer complementary funding to PhD students in the 4th year of their PhD and therefore allow promising and competitive on-going projects from the Bio-Psy Labex partner teams to be successfully completed.

Eligibility

- The call is open to PhD students from Bio-Psy participating teams, enrolled in a PhD program (*Ecole doctorale*) and in the course of the 3rd year of their PhD.
- The proposed projects should focus on one of Bio-Psy major research themes (1- mood disorders and psychoses; 2- autism spectrum disorders; 3- addiction, motivation and reward) or priorities for development (refractory disorders, immunity-inflammation, iPSCs, or health economics, all applied to Psychiatry).

Conditions

- Fellowships will be funded for up to one year and will terminate at the date of the Thesis defence. No support will be provided beyond the 4th year of PhD.
- The full proposal must be endorsed by the current PhD supervisor.
- Only one doctoral 4th year fellowship will be funded per partner group within this call.

Evaluation criteria

- Quality of the training curriculum
- Project advancement and contribution to the Bio-Psy strategic axes
- Added value of the PhD extension for the applicant and the host laboratory.

Application procedure

All applications, written in English, should include:

- A letter of motivation (1 page)
- A complete CV

- A description of the proposed project with the thesis title and objectives, the results and the proposed program for finalizing the Thesis (up to 4 pages).
- A copy of the intermediate evaluation(s) by the thesis committee.
- If applicable, a copy of previous publications, meeting abstracts, and title, authors and summary of submitted manuscript(s).
- A letter of support from the Labex host team leader stating the interest and the expected results of the project and explaining the added value of the PhD work extension.

This should be submitted no later than **April 30th 2015**, in pdf format and by e-mail to:

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Timeline

Funded projects will be selected by **July 1st 2015**.