



GUIDELINES – 2023 SESSION

INTRODUCTION

The **Cancer Initiative** is a concerted action led by Institut Pasteur laboratories working on cancer. It aims to build and support research on cancer by fostering a multidisciplinary and translational approach within the departments involved in this initiative.

AIM

Through the 2023 M2 Master Students Call, the Cancer Initiative – supported by the Scientific direction/SPAIS*- aims at attracting highly qualified students and at fostering research projects related to cancer at Institut Pasteur.

The call proposes **funding in the form of scholarships and running costs for IP research teams wishing to host a M2 Master student who will work on a cancer project.**

*SPAIS: means Department for Scientific Programming and Incentive Actions

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The host research entity must be on the campus and involved in the Cancer Initiative.
- The host research entity can only present one application for 2023 call.
- The scientific proposal must be related to one of the 3 main areas:
 - Cancer biology
 - Innovative therapies
 - Cancer and microbes
- The research proposal must be achievable within 4 to 6 months.
- The student must be enrolled in a M2 Master program or equivalent (University, Engineer school, Medical school).
- Candidates of any nationality are eligible to apply.
- Successful fellows should start their work in the host IP entity between January^{1st} and May^{1st}, 2023.

The collaborative projects with a M2 master student working in two different laboratories are welcome and encouraged.

INELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- This call does not consider spontaneous applications. Before applying, the candidate must ensure he/she is accepted by a host research entity of IP in Paris.
- It will not be possible to change the name of the applicant after the submission deadline.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The applications will be evaluated by an internal scientific committee, which will review proposals based on the following criteria :

- Scientific quality of the proposal and its relevance to the cancer theme
- Quality of the candidate's CV and its match with the scientific proposal
- Feasibility / risk balance
- Originality and creativity

FUNDING AND DURATION

The amount of the grant is a **maximum of €6,000**, covering the student's stipend and work-related expenses for a period of 6 months. The amount of the grant will be calculated on *prorata temporis*.

Duration: **4 to 6 months**

APPLICATION PROCESS

Candidates' application files should include the Application Form duly completed. This application consists of the following components:

- a) Applicant and Topics Information
- b) Summary of the project proposal and its significances
- c) Detailed description of the proposed research project
- d) Updated CV of the Master student
- e) Motivation letter of the Master student for this proposed research project
- f) Publications linked to project

Complete application should be submitted in .pdf format and named as follow: Applicant's SURNAME Name_ Lab Head's SURNAME.pdf (example: SMITH John_Lab CARTER).

Applications should be sent before January 13th, 2023 to spais.ic@pasteur.fr

TIMELINE

Publication of call : October 3rd, 2022

Deadline for submission of proposals : January 13th, 2023

Selection of grantees : end of January 2023

Starting date : The grantees should start between January 1st and May 1st, 2023

COMMUNICATION AND DIFFUSION

The student and the supervisors should

- be present and participate in the Master IC Meeting to be held at IP Paris in May or June 2023,
- mention on all documents pertaining to her/his funded scholarship (any type of communication, report, slides, summary, etc..) the logo of the Institut Pasteur, and acknowledgments to the Cancer Initiative of Institut Pasteur for financial support

CONTACT

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