

Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini Postdoctoral Fellowships Call

Including a Satellite Session dedicated to Research and Technology

Edition Spring 2025

GUIDELINES

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini (PRC) postdoctoral program supports two-year fellowships as part of the Emile Roux funds and Mrs. Paola Marchetti-Cantarini's legacy in memory of her late husband Mr. Manlio Cantarini.

Two types of PRC post-doctoral fellowships:

1. **STANDARD PRC post-doctoral fellowships:** This call is open to postdoctoral researchers conducting their **scientific project** in a research laboratory located on **Institut Pasteur's Paris campus** or within **Institut Pasteur New Caledonia, Institut Pasteur French Guiana or Institut Pasteur Guadeloupe**
2. **TECH PRC post-doctoral fellowships:** This call is also open to postdoctoral researchers conducting their **collaborative Research and Technology project** between a **laboratory** and a **platform/UTechS** located on Institut Pasteur campus. Such PRC-Tech postdoctoral fellowships **aim at developing some new technology or methodology** to answer a biological question.


GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Fellowships** are for two years (**the duration** of this fellowship may **not be less than 18 months**).
- **Funding** is exclusively paid as a salary and covers health insurance and retirement. No funding for consumables or equipment or travel costs. No operating costs and management fees will be covered. The fellowship amount will be defined according to the local postdoctoral rating system.
- **2 separate Application Forms are available:**
 - STANDARD Application Form
 - TECH Application Form (to be used exclusively for the PRC-Tech candidates - Satellite Session dedicated to Research and Technology)
- **Application deadline: March 28th, 2025 (1:00 PM – Paris time).**
- **Anticipated announcement of decisions: early June 2025.**
- **Starting date:** funding must start **at the latest on November 1st, 2025.**
- **For more information, contact bourses@pasteur.fr**

ELIGIBILITY CONSIDERATIONS

- The PRC fellowships are only tenable in **Institut Pasteur Paris, Institut Pasteur New Caledonia, Institut Pasteur French Guiana or Institut Pasteur Guadeloupe research entities (referred collectively “IP ”)**.
- **For PRC-Tech candidates:**
 - Only **collaborative** projects between a **research laboratory and a platform/UTechS** (technology platform or technology service unit) are **eligible** to apply.
 - The host research laboratory and host platform/UTechS must be located **on IP Paris campus**: the fellowship will not cover any travel expenses etc.
 - These projects must be **co-directed by a supervisor working in an IP Paris host research laboratory and a supervisor working in an IP Paris platform/UTechS**. To this end, please note that for these PRC Tech projects the platform/UTechS is not a service provider but an active collaborator who does not do the experiments, but instead will part-time host and supervise the postdoc at the facility to learn the protocols and perform the planned experiments her/himself.
 - Only one application shall be presented under the same co-supervision (even if the Research & Technology proposed project or candidate is different).
- **For all the submitted projects (both Standard PRC and PRC Tech):**
 - The host IP research entity can only present one type of application per session; any research entity which would present a Standard and a Tech PRC must be aware that at most only one of them could potentially be granted.
 - Candidates of **any nationality** are eligible to apply.
 - Candidates must have completed their PhD degree (**no later than six years prior the date of application, i.e. obtained their thesis after April 1st, 2019**) or will do so prior to commencing fellowship (the date scheduled for the thesis defense must be prior to May 31, 2025 for this Spring Session).
 - In case of woman postdoc candidate, her maternity leave will provide her with one year of derogation per child. For example, the eligibility period is extended to 7 years after the thesis defense in case of one pregnancy.
 - For any other specific request (including paternity leave, long-term illness, national/military service etc), please feel free to contact the PRC Team at bourses@pasteur.fr
 - Former Postdocs, **whether they are already at Institut Pasteur Paris, Institut Pasteur New Caledonia, Institut Pasteur French Guiana or Institut Pasteur Guadeloupe or not**, are eligible to apply to the Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini fellowship program. Postdocs already present in one of the mentioned Institut Pasteur are subjected to administrative rules for fixed-term contracts of the host Institut Pasteur and are invited to contact their HR manager (GAP) to check for their eligibility before applying. Please note that it is your PI’s responsibility to ensure that your fellowship will be in line with the laboratory/platform’s ETM.
 - Except if a first postdoctoral training has been performed in another research Institution, applications from former IP Ph.D students will not be considered.
 - Unsuccessful applicants to a previous Pasteur-Roux -Cantarini fellowship call are **eligible to re-apply, subject to meeting the eligibility criteria for this current**

session. Applicants who wish to do so can inform in advance bourses@pasteur.fr to use the support letters from the previous session.

-  Successful fellows of the Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini program **must start their work** in the host IP entity **at the latest on November 1st, 2025**. Please check this criteria before applying and keep in mind that, there are 2 PRC sessions per year (detailed in the application form) that will allow you to choose the best time to submit your application.
- The proposed scientific program must **be achievable within the two-year funding**.
- After submission of the application and until the Final Selection, we thank the applicant and/or the PI of the host entities to inform bourses@pasteur.fr of any changes that may have an impact on the acceptance of the fellowship by the applicant.

INELIGIBILITY

- **No unsolicited applications will be processed outside of the Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini program call.** Before applying, the candidate must ensure he/she is accepted by a host research entity of **Institut Pasteur Paris, Institut Pasteur New Caledonia, Institut Pasteur French Guiana or Institut Pasteur Guadeloupe** (or co-accepted by the laboratory and the technological facility of IP Paris campus in the case of a PRC-Tech application)
- Applications from an IP research entity that currently **benefits from an internal postdoctoral funding package** (e.g. G5 or unit) **are not accepted**.
- Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini fellowships **cannot be used** to complement other sources of funding. The duration of this fellowship **may not be less than 18 months**.
- Applications from former IP PhD students **will not be considered**, except if a first postdoctoral training has been performed in another research Institution.
- A Pasteur-Roux-Cantarini fellowship **will not be awarded** to the same host IP research entity (including Platform/UtechS) **in two consecutive calls**.

FUNDING & DURATION OF PROPOSALS

Funding is paid as a salary and covers health insurance and retirement; No funding for consumables, equipment or travel costs. No operating costs and management fees will be covered. The fellowship amount will be defined according to the local postdoctoral rating system.

The contract **duration** of the fellowship must be comprised between 18 to 24 months.

SELECTION PROCESS

Each application will be reviewed by two scientists from our experts panel.

The reviewers will carry out the assessment according to the following evaluation criteria:

- Qualifications and achievements of candidate
- Proposed scientific project including feasibility / risk balance, originality and novelty
- Match of candidate/project

- Impact of this fellowship on the candidate's career

The final decision will be made following the panel meeting and confirmed by the executive management. Candidates will be notified in due course.

REPORTING

- **One final written report will be requested at the end of the fellowship.**
- The postdoctoral fellows will also be closely **supervised** by the Institut Pasteur Career development service for Scientists (CARE for Scientists), to support them in the **development of their career.**

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- **Application Form (STANDARD FORM or TECH FORM when appropriate) :**
 - should be **sent before March 28th, 2025 (1:00 PM, Paris time)** to the PRC Team at the following address: bourses@pasteur.fr, under a **pdf format** named as follows: Applicant's SURNAME Name_ Lab Head's SURNAME.pdf (example: SMITH John_Lab CARTER)
- The PRC Team will acknowledge the receipt of each submitted application.
- **Recommendation letters to be provided separately:** Up to three reference letters sent **directly from referees** to bourses@pasteur.fr before **March 28th, 2025**. Referees must be mentors or advisors, who have followed your research records. One of these LOR should be done by the mentor of the last position of the candidate.
Recommendation letters must be submitted on **official institution letterhead** and named as follow LOR_Applicant's SURNAME Name_ Referee's SURNAME.pdf (example: LOR_SMITH John_KENNEDY)

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