

# Pasteur Network

## Postdoctoral Grants

### Call for Applications

The Pasteur Network consists of member institutes located in 25 countries on five continents employing over 5,000 researchers, engineers, and technicians. This makes it well placed to respond to emerging outbreaks and various determinants of health challenges. The Network is at the forefront of critical research across diverse environments in locations rich in biodiversity, endemic hotspots, and emerging public health challenges. Furthermore, it is deeply engaged in public health innovations and biotechnology research (e.g., therapeutic, diagnostic, and vaccine innovation & manufacturing), especially in the Global South.

To provide unique opportunities for talented young scientists to join dynamic research groups to conduct their research in strategically located institutes, the Pasteur Network through Pasteur Network Postdoctoral Grants and the Institut Pasteur through the Calmette and Yersin Postdoctoral Grants launch together the 2023 Postdoctoral grants with 11 new post doctoral positions (one call, two financial mechanisms).

- The Pasteur Network postdoctoral grants will support up to eight (8) new postdoctoral positions (two (2) per region of the Pasteur Network: Americas, Africa, Asia-Pacific and Euro- Mediterranean). The proposals must be in line with the following focus areas of the Pasteur Network: Anti-Microbial Resistance (AMR) and epidemic intelligence.
- While The Calmette & Yersin program will support up to three (3) new postdoctoral positions for the Pasteur Network. Applicants must propose an innovative research project within the scope of the scientific priorities of the host institute and/or of the Pasteur Network which are: vector-borne diseases, addressing the epidemiological transition and its consequences on ageing populations, maternal, newborn, and child health, and combating antimicrobial resistance via One Health approaches.

**Both of these programs follow the same guidelines and applications can be completed under the Pasteur Network Post-Doctoral Grants Applications platform.**

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The period of tenure is 2 years on a full-time basis.

The grant is only dedicated to the salary of the postdoctoral fellow. No operating costs and management fees will be covered. The grant amount will be defined according to the local postdoc rating system.

The host institute will be in charge of the management of the grant and should provide the recipient with a travel insurance covering repatriation, social insurances (illness and hospitalization), and personal liability insurance. The postdoctoral fellow, as member of the host institute, must comply to its rules and regulations. Moreover, the host

institute should provide an enabling environment to motivate the postdoctoral fellow to pursue his/her career in the Pasteur Network at the end of the award tenure.

Finally, each recipient will be eligible for up to two grants to carry out travel within the Pasteur Network. These grants can be for internships or to participate in a course.

### **WHO CAN APPLY FOR A PASTEUR NETWORK PhD GRANT?**

The Pasteur Network postdoctoral Grant call is open to any candidate with a doctoral degree from anywhere in the world wishing to carry a research project in one of the institutes of the Pasteur Network. Only applicants for the grant supported by the Pasteur Network and coming from the Pasteur Network are eligible for a postdoc at the Institut Pasteur, Paris.

Experienced candidates should not have more than 5 years of post-doctoral research experience. The call is open to any nationality.

The candidate cannot already have a position in the hosting institute.

### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

The candidate will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- Suitability of the candidate with the objectives of the project  
*Does the applicant demonstrate the capacity to carry out the project in terms of motivation, academic background, trainee and/or professional experiences...?*
- Quality of the project  
*Is the project adapted to be carried out: clearly defined and achievable objectives in three years, access to technical facilities, etc. Does the research project have the potential to lead to measurable results in terms of public health or fundamental knowledge within the scientific field interest (peer-reviewed articles, patents, etc.)? Is the financing of the project secured by grants from national or international funding agencies?*
- Motivation of the candidate
- Impact on candidates' career
- Mentorship  
*What mentorship and training experiences does the supervisor and their team have?*

The proposed research project will be evaluated not only on its quality, originality, and feasibility but also on the added values it will bring to the team's projects and its contribution to the regional/global health priorities.

If the project includes biomedical activities, the applicant, in consultation with his/her supervisor, must ensure that the appropriate authorizations have been obtained or are in the process of being obtained from the relevant committees or authorities prior to carrying out these activities.

### **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS – APPLICATION FORM**

**Applications must be written in English and submitted [online](#) no later than **September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. Incomplete or paper-based applications will not be considered.**

When deemed necessary, the Pasteur Network reserves the right to ask candidates for additional information in order to evaluate their application.

Candidates must not submit information in their application that is confidential and/or protected by the intellectual property rights of third parties and may contravene any rights of third parties.

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

The Pasteur Network and Institut Pasteur are in charge of the Pasteur Network Grants process.

Each application will be reviewed by two (2) scientists from our experts panel. The final decision will be made following the panel meeting and confirmed by the executive management. Candidates will be notified in due course.

**FOLLOW UP PROCESS**

The Pasteur Network and Institut Pasteur are responsible of the follow-up process of the Pasteur Network Grant. As part of the evaluation, each year, the recipient should provide a complete progress report regarding the scientific activities.