

# **2022 INTERNAL CALL FOR PROJECTS**

The LabEx IGO aims to promote collaborative projects in the field of immunology and immunotherapy between teams with complementary expertise in transplantation, cancer, autoimmunity, inflammation and infection.

The LabEx IGO is launching a new internal call for research projects.

The LabEx IGO will support up to 5 new projects (€40k for a 2-year project) within its 20 partner teams: UMR1236-MOBIDIC teams 1, 2, 3; UMR1227-LBAI; UMR1064-CR2TI teams 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6; UMR1302-INCIT teams 1, 2, 3, 4 and UMR1307-CRCI2NA teams 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 12.

The objective of this call is to support the **emergence of original and innovative or at risk projects** that could then be submitted to national (ex: ANR, INCA) or European calls.

### **SCHEDULE**

| 20 June 2022                          | LAUNCH OF 2022 INTERNAL CALL FOR PROJECTS                                    |
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| 15 September 2022                     | CLOSING DATE FOR INTERNAL CALL FOR PROJECTS                                  |
| 20 September 2022                     | analysis of projects submitted by members of the COPIL to verify eligibility |
|                                       | criteria   |
| 23 September 2022                     | eligible projects and evaluation grid transmitted to members of SAB          |
| 14 November 2022                      | SELECTION of projects by members of SAB                                      |
| 28 November 2022                      | RESULTS ANNOUNCED to applicants  |
| December 2022                         | LAUNCH OF PROJECTS   |
| 31 December 2024                      | END of projects (end of expenses eligibility by ANR)                         |
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### **ELIGIBILITY**

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Projects dealing with the topics of the LabEx IGO: immunology and immunotherapies in the context of transplantation, cancer, autoimmunity, inflammation and infection.
- Projects deemed innovative and emergent. These projects must require short-term risk-taking to test new scientific hypotheses or research approaches, or be pilot projects to validate the feasibility or methodology of a future research program.
- Projects led by 1 or several teams of the LabEx IGO. External collaborations are possible but only teams of the LabEx IGO will be funded. Internal or external collaborations are not eligibility criteria.
- Projects overseen by a permanent researcher.

- If a project leader is involved in another LabEx IGO proposal as a partner, particular attention will be paid to the respective implications to ensure that projects do not overlap and that the researcher has sufficient time for each project.
- Fully completed application file.

# **INELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Projects that have already received funding under the LabEx IGO, or other programs, shall not be funded through the 2022 internal call for projects.
- Projects that consist of clinical trials
- Project leaders that have received funding from the LabEx IGO through the 2020 internal call.

# **HOW TO APPLY**

- complete the application file in English
- email your application, deadline 15/09/2022, to: contact.labexigo@univ-nantes.fr

#### **EVALUATION**

### **REVIEW OF ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

The LabEx IGO Steering Committee (COPIL) will ensure that the submitted projects meet the eligibility requirements.

#### SELECTION

Eligible projects will then be sent to the President of the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), which is in charge of allocating application files to the different members of SAB according to their expertise. Each proposal will be reviewed by 3 members of SAB.

Will be assessed:

- The scientific quality of the project and the applicant.
- The emergent and innovative aspect.
- The feasibility of the project.

As a reminder, the SAB is composed of: M. Bonneville (France), P. Dellabona (Italy), R. Monteiro (France), B. Seliger (Germany), M. Sykes (USA), HD. Volk (Germany); it is chaired by M. Sykes.

The SAB will score the applications according to the criteria and scale of the evaluation grid below:

| EVALUATION GRID   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Scientific quality, originality, international competitiveness                            |  |  |
| Emergent and innovative aspect  |  |  |
| Feasibility ("correlation between means/objectives": schedule, material resources, skills |  |  |
| of the teams)   |  |  |
| Overall mark  |  |  |
| Overall recommendation  |  |  |
| - to be funded  |  |  |
| - to be discussed   |  |  |
| - not to be funded  |  |  |
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| Comments :  |  |  |
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#### **FUNDING**

The total sum allocated to the 2022 internal call is €200K which will enable the funding of up to 5 projects.

# AMOUNT OF THE BUDGETARY ENVELOPE ALLOCATED TO EACH PROJECT

The overall budget allocation for a project is €40K (you don't have to include any management fees). As a reminder, Nantes University does not apply 20% VAT to research projects.

The purpose of this funding envelope is to cover associated research costs (consumables, missions, subcontracts, etc.).

Staff salaries (apart from internship gratifications) and equipment are not eligible.

In their research proposal, the project coordinators must provide a budget breakdown between the areas of expenditure and between the partners. This distribution must have been validated by the project partners.

### PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN IN THE CONTEXT OF EXTERNAL COLLABORATION

In case the proposed research is led by teams from the LabEx IGO associated with an external team (eg. a private company or a team from another LabEx or a laboratory based abroad...), only LabEx IGO partner teams will be funded by the LabEx IGO. (NB: This provision is in line with the Financial Regulation for LabEx determined by the National Research Agency (ANR), which stipulates that only signatory partners of the consortium agreement established in the context of a LabEx can be recipients of aid from the ANR). The amount of funding provided by the partner team "external to the LabEx IGO" should be specified in the project.

A collaboration agreement should be established between the team from the LabEx IGO and the team "external to the LabEx IGO". (NB: this provision is in line with the consortium agreement of the LabEx IGO).

# **DETAILS**

# The full amount of funding must be used by 31/12/2024 at the latest.

Consequently, the project leader must implement his project by the end of 2022 at the latest.

The entire budget granted for each selected project will be available from the start of the project.