

The FINOVI Foundation is launching a call for a
TWO YOUNG RESEARCH TEAM LEADER

Deadline for project submission :
October 30th , 2010

• **Context**

The FINOVI Foundation (Innovations in Infectiology) is supporting basic and translational research, taking place in Lyon and Grenoble, in the fields of Respiratory infections, Nosocomial infections and Viral hepatitis.

The foundation is based in Lyon (France) at the heart of an academic research network (including research teams and infrastructures both in Lyon and in Grenoble) and in interaction with the industrial cluster LYONBIOPOLE.

• **Field and topic of the Call for Projects**

This competitive call is open to researchers working in any topic related to infectiology such as (including but not limited to):

- Host-pathogen interactions
- Vaccinology: Immune bases and technological development
- Structural biochemistry and therapeutic targets
- Epidemiology in infectious diseases
- Host cell or pathogen gene and protein networks
- Modelling and simulation of biological systems

The FINOVI Foundation is offering two 4-year contracts to recruit Young Researchers that will set up a research team in one of the Finovi partner-university department.

The list of possible hosting departments is available at www.finovi.org/fr:finovi:gouvernance:unites_de_recherche

To carry out his/her research project, the successful applicant will have access to research equipment available in the hosting laboratory or clinical department in a favorable scientific and medical environment.

The host department and the FINOVI foundation will help the candidate to find a permanent position in France.

• **Budget**

The 4-year budget includes :

- The selected candidate's salary (approximately €45,000 gross per year)
- A research technician's salary
- A doctoral student's salary
- A post-doctorant's salary
- A budget of €100,000 per year to cover operating and equipment costs

Total budget of : 1.2 M €

- **Application criteria**

Applicants to the position of research team leader should meet the following criteria:

- Excellent publication record
- Strong post-doctoral experience in an internationally recognized fundamental or clinical research team
- The candidate should have international work experience and should not currently be located in the Rhone-Alpes Region
- Experience as Ph.D. supervisor would be favorable
- Fluent English, knowledge of French useful but not essential

- **Application procedure**

The application is to be written **in English, specifying the topic selected and should include:**

- Personal details: surname, first name(s), date of birth, nationality, family situation, work address, telephone number and e-mail address
- A C.V. corresponding to application criteria
- A list of scientific publications, research contracts, patents, etc.
- A scientific project presented in no more than 3,000 words, describing:
 - The present state of knowledge
 - The scientific objectives
 - The research methodology, including input desired from other Finovi teams or international networking
 - The performance schedule over 4 years, with expected deliverables
- A provisional 4-year operating budget, taking into account the above mentioned contribution from Finovi and the applicant's personal contribution in the form of research contracts

Projects should be submitted in electronic PDF format

to info@finovi.org by October 30, 2010

The candidates selected for interviews will be informed around December, 2010.

Interviews will be held in Lyon in January or February 2011.

- **Project Application examination and assessment**

A committee of internal and external experts will examine applications.

Applicants short-listed after examination of their proposal will be asked to present their project *viva voce* to the Finovi scientific committee.

- **Schedule**

30 june, 2010 : Call for projects

30 october, 2010 : deadline for application submission

15 december, 2010 : Notification to the short-listed candidates

15 january to 15 february, 2011 : Beginning of interviews