

## Call for application

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| Project title | <b>4-year research group in New Caledonia</b>                         |
| Reference     | 086/2018-IPNC/DG  |
| Recruited by  | Institut Pasteur de Nouvelle-Calédonie                                |
| Located in    | Institut Pasteur de Nouvelle-Calédonie<br>BP 61<br>98845 Nouméa Cedex |

The University of New Caledonia (UNC) and the Institut Pasteur de Nouvelle-Calédonie (IPNC) wish to strengthen their collaboration in the fields of research and teaching and are jointly launching an international call for applications for young researchers with the aim to create a 4-year research group located in the IPNC.

### Background / Theme

Pacific populations have some of the highest risk of metabolic disease and obesity in the world. These diseases impact health systems by high and recurrent direct or indirect health costs, more prominently in constrained environments such as those in Pacific Island countries.

The applicant must propose an innovative ambitious and multidisciplinary research program focusing on microbiota study in Pacific populations and its impact on human health.

### Selection criteria for the proposal

- The quality of the project proposed;
- The contribution and the development of a new skill to benefit New Caledonia and Pacific region;
- Inclusion of the project in the research objectives of the IPNC and the UNC
- The cooperation planned with research institutes and universities at local, regional and international level. The proposal will have to involve the UNC with training Master's and Doctoral students hosted by the 4-year research group and funded by university and participate in research conducted by lecturer-researchers from the UNC
- The feasibility of the project submitted (appropriate funding, achievable actions).

### Selection criteria for the applicant

- Holds a doctoral degree;
- Has international post-doctoral experience (3-8 years);
- Shows high quality scientific results with very good publications of an international standard;
- Has obtained contracts for funding and research as principal investigator of a project or part of a project;
- Has the ability to manage and train young scientists;
- Participates in teaching activities at the partner university in the project (UNC);
- Open to all nationalities;

### Conditions of funding

Candidates selected will be appointed head of a research group for 4 years. Successful candidates will receive start-up funding that may include salaries for the head of the group, engineers, technicians and doctoral students (the salaries depending on the salary scales of the IPNC and the budget dedicated to salaries cannot exceed 50% of the start-up funding), basic laboratory equipment and an operating budget. Candidates will have access to the facilities of the IPNC, the UNC and more globally to the shared platforms of the CRESICA (Consortium for research and innovation in NewCaledonia).

It is assumed that the selected researcher will obtain fresh funding needed to maintain his/her group for the longer term.

### Schedule

- Closing date for applications : 15/09/2018
- Decision of steering committee : Octobre 2018

### Application

Applications must include

- Complete curriculum vitae, including publications and past funding,
- Motivation letter,
- At least, three recommendations letters of references,
- Brief summary of previous accomplishment,
- Application for the 4-year research group (research project, future collaboration with IPNC teams, UNC, and/or others regional partners, expected results, previsionnal budget for 4 years).

Applications will be transmittedt exclusively by email as pdf file to: [contact@pasteur.nc](mailto:contact@pasteur.nc)