



Call for a chair of Excellence 2022

The Laboratory of Excellence CORTEX gathers high-profile research teams from five institutes of biology (SBRI, CRNL, ISC, INMG, GATE) embedded in a stimulating environment of hospitals, medical faculties and universities in Lyon, France (<https://labex-cortex.universite-lyon.fr/>). CORTEX benefits from multiple technological platforms, from single cell transcriptomics and microscopy, to PET-MRI and intracerebral EEG to conduct state-of-the-art research. Our collective aim is to study brain functions, at molecular, cellular and organism scales, using a wide panel of approaches and biological models, from drosophila to non-human primate and human, with both fundamental and clinical objectives.

CORTEX is launching an international call for a chair of Excellence to enrich the local community with new research teams, specifically in the field of neuro-imaging, neuro-development, omics, and cellular and molecular neuroscience.

We invite candidates of any nationality including scientists already established in France to apply. Upon their selection, successful applicants will be allocated a starting package of 300 k€ (to be used before the end of 2024) and lab/office space in one of the 5 institutes of CORTEX. Candidates having no permanent position will be expected to apply for a tenured position at the CNRS, INSERM or University Claude Bernard Lyon1 and secure further funding. CORTEX will provide guidance with these steps.

Applications should be sent by email before **March 31, 2022**, to Pr. Jean-Louis Bessereau, the director of CORTEX, at the following address jean-louis.bessereau@univ-lyon1.fr. Applicants should provide the following information in a single pdf file: a cover letter explaining their motivation to join the neuroscience community of Lyon, document comprising a CV (2 pages), a summary of the scientific achievements (3 pages) and a research project proposal, highlighting the possible synergies with CORTEX research teams (4 pages). Two letters of reference should be sent directly by the referees to Jean Louis Bessereau. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an on- site interview.