A public scientific and technological establishment (EPST) since 1981, Cemagref is under the joint supervision of the Ministry for Research and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

**Missions**

Cemagref is a public research institute whose work focuses on sustainable development in non-urban areas. It contributes to the conservation and acceptable management of land and water systems, the prevention of associated risks and the development of sustainable economic activity.

**Deliverables and partners**

Addressing complex systems and their interactions with human society, our research needs an interdisciplinary approach. As well as advancing fundamental knowledge, Cemagref develops scientific expertise capacities and innovative technologies.

**Four research areas**

* hydrosystem functioning  
* water uses and waste  
* rural land use and landscapes  
* agricultural and food technology

Common scientific methods are developed on geographical information, modelling, and computing sciences.

**Key Figures**

- 900 employees, including 450 engineers and researchers.
- 33 research units, organized around 4 scientific departments.
- 9 regional centers (Aix-en-Provence, Antony, Bordeaux, Clermont-Ferrand, Grenoble, Lyon, Montpellier, Nogent-sur-Vernisson, Rennes), a regional office in Martinique.