Objectives
Under a partnership between Inserm and CNRS, a call for proposals is launched aimed at: - Enabling young scientists to create and lead a team within an established Inserm or CNRS laboratory in France. The ATIP - Avenir teams will strengthen the research of the host units but will develop independently their own scientific project. - Promoting mobility and attracting young team leaders of high-level working abroad.

The ATIP - Avenir grant is allocated for a period of 3 years. After evaluation, it can be extended for an additional 2 years. It is open to any young scientists, whatever their present position and nationality, who have defended their PhD (or equivalent doctoral degree) for over 2 years and under 10 years (PhD between September 15th 2008 and September 15th 2016)1. Successful applicants will have to develop their projects within a structure in which he/she has not been working for more than 18 months and will not find any previous mentors (of PhD and/or post doctorate). Laureates of a grant for the young researchers similar to the ATIP-Avenir program are not eligible (e.g. ANR or ERC programs to manage a research group). ATIP-Avenir laureates can candidate to similar programs, but cannot cumulate funding for programs similar to ATIP-Avenir. Applicants cannot apply for more than two different ATIP-Avenir calls.

Projects must relate to Life sciences or Health. The contract will have to begin during the first half of the year 2019.

Funding: - Annual grant of € 60,000 - Two-year salary for a postdoctoral researcher. - Three-year salary for non-tenured successful applicants. The host laboratory will provide the team a dedicated research area of about 50m² (infrastructures fees will be paid by the host lab) and access to the local technological facilities. Applicants may submit their proposal without an identified host laboratory.

Selection procedure
Applications will be assessed by specialized international scientific committees with appropriate experts:
LS1 Molecular and Structural Biology, and Biochemistry;
LS2 Genetics, Genomics, Bioinformatics and Systems Biology;
LS3 Cell Biology, Development and Evolution;
LS4 Physiology, Pathophysiology and Translational Research;
LS5 Neurosciences and Disorders of the nervous system;
LS6 Immunity, Infection and Microbiology;
LS7 Diagnostic tools, Therapies, Biotechnology and Public Health.

The selection will be done in two stages: shortlisting in April 2019 and interviews of the selected applicants in June 2019. CNRS and Inserm will establish the final list of laureates and their host laboratories jointly early July 2019.

Dead line : applications must be submitted in electronic form before November 15th 2018

Proposals should be submitted on-line at: https://sp2013.inserm.fr/sites/eva/appels-a-projets/Pages/Page1.aspx

1 Exceptions can be granted for maternity (one year per children) or paternity and/or military service leaves 2 Exceptions can be granted to teachers and medical doctors from university hospitals 3 Consult the themes of research covered by these juries on the following page online
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You can download the call, containing additional information, as a PDF

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Potential partners for the co-funding of projects in their scientific areas ANRS (Agence nationale de recherches sur le sida et les hépatites virales), AFM (Association française contre les myopathies), ARC (Fondation ARC pour la recherche sur le cancer), FINOVI (Fondation innovations en infectiologie), la Fondation Bettencourt Schueller, LNCC (Ligue nationale contre le cancer), Plan Cancer, les universités.