**ValoExpress & PasteurInnov**

CALLS FOR INNOVATIVE AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROJECTS – 2017

Service des Partenariats et Programmes Incitatifs – SPPI

**Valoexpress Call**

1° **INTRODUCTION**

The Incentive Research Programs and Partnerships Department (SPPI – Department of Development) and Institut Carnot Microbe & Santé propose two complementary calls to support projects aiming at developing an innovative idea with significant applicative potential/clinical impact through a) sustainable partnerships with industrial companies, b) start-up creation or c) sustainable partnerships with key players in public health:

- **Valoexpress**: the aim of this call is to support the **very early stages** of development of innovative ideas/technologies/inventions with significant applicative potential for (i) industry and/or (ii) with significant social impact and/or clinical benefits.

- **PasteurInnov**: the aim of this call is to support the development of the proof-of-concept of **more mature innovative ideas/technologies** with significant applicative potential with the aim to enter into partnerships with industrial companies or with players in public health or to enter into the creation of a start-up shortly after the end of the PasteurInnov grant.

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A **Valoexpress** Grant can be followed by a **PasteurInnov** Grant Application.
2° AIMS OF THE 2017 VALOEXPRESS CALL

The aim of the Valoexpress call is to support competitive applications, which will generate relevant results for initiation of a proof-of-concept of an innovative idea/technology/invention. These should be results that significantly increase the likelihood that the innovative idea/technology/invention will:

• receive follow-on funding from Institut Pasteur’s financial partners, from a commercial source,
• be licensed, or be developed through an existing company or through the creation of a start-up company.

We are looking for projects that propose innovative ideas/technologies/inventions from any scientific field:

• With preliminary data providing an insight on the potential benefit of the idea/technology/invention over existing products/technologies/solutions on the market or in development;
• Addressing a clear medical or market unmet need;
• Focused on the initiation of a proof-of-concept of the idea/technology/invention with a view to attract interest from an industrial partner.

We will not consider funding for basic and/or fundamental research projects.

3° ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all the Institut Pasteur Paris entities.

To be eligible for the Valoexpress call submitted projects must fulfil the following criteria:

• Projects must last a maximum of one year;
• Projects must be based on at least one registered invention disclosure

4° PROJECT FUNDING

Selected projects will receive up to 30 k€ over a maximum of 12 months. This funding will cover only running costs.

5° VALOEXPRESS PROCEDURE

There will be a one-stage procedure for the evaluation and selection of proposed innovative projects:

1. Submission of a letter of intent online. The application forms must be filled on the dedicated platform of the SPPI:

2. On the basis of this letter of intent, projects will be evaluated and pre-selected by the **Valoexpress pre-selection committee**. The pre-selection committee will be composed of representatives of the Department for Development, the DARRI and Carnot Microbe & Santé.

3. Applicants with a pre-selected letter of intent will be invited to present a **full experimental plan** to the **Valoexpress selection committee** for final decision. Applicants will receive upon request support from SPPI for their application for funding and for the development of their proof-of-concept project.

### 6° Selection criteria and evaluation of the projects

Projects will be evaluated according to the following **selection criteria**:

- Existence of a clear unmet need the technology/innovative idea/invention targets;
- Evidences that the current existing solutions fail or are not satisfactory;
- The potential benefit of the idea/technology/invention
- The competition in relation to the technology/product/solution (in development and on the market);
- The technical feasibility of the proposed experimental program;
- The relevance of the experimental plan in relation of the proposed objectives
- The strength of intellectual property that could be obtained at the end of the Valoexpress grant;
- The competition in terms of already existing patents and patent applications;
- The impact the technology/innovative idea/invention is likely to make;

### 7° Submission dates and timeline

**From Friday 14th of April 2017 to Monday 15th of May 2017**

On-line submission of letters of intent

**By Friday 7th of July 2017**

For pre-selected letters of intent: presentation of the experimental plan to the selection committee

**Thursday 23rd of November 2017**

Announcement of selected projects with a start of funding in January 2018

### 8° Contact information and support

Please contact: valoexpress@pasteur.fr