



FRANCE-BIOIMAGING

Call R&D for Core Facilities 2023: Innovative R&D

This call will be open the 2023-03-13 at 09h00 CET and the deadline for submission of proposals is the 2023-05-19 at 23h59 CET.

Each FBI node will be able to submit only two projects, please declare your intention to submit a project to your node's head as soon as possible.

Applications will be submitted on the FBI website at the address: <https://france-bioimaging.org/application/techtransfer-call-2023/>. We will acknowledge the receipt of all the applications within two weeks.

Projects will have to be written in English.

We are trying to provide clear information on the eligibility criteria in the call description. However, we will be happy to answer further questions and help you check the eligibility of your project prior to the submission. For any question, please contact the National Coordination at: contact@france-bioimaging.org

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Call description

1. Call design:

Goal: Strengthen attractiveness and competitiveness of the France-BioImaging Core Facilities by the development or the transfer of a new technology. This technology will be co-developed and/or transferred by the Core Facilities of FBI with the help of one (or more) R&D team.

This call has been designed to increase the attractivity or the competitiveness of the CF of FBI infrastructure. This call is relatively open compared to previous calls.

We will fund collaborations between:

- A Core facility (CF) from France-BioImaging

AND

- One or more R&D Team(s) from France-BioImaging.

A start-up company can be associated to the project but will not have access to fund.

2. Eligibility criteria

- No Technology Readiness Level (TRL) is expected for this call.
- “Technology” implies instrumentation, probes, or staining methods.
- The application must be filled jointly by all the involved partners.

- Leading R&D Team or CF involved should not be funded by previous calls (Tech’ Transfer 2021 or Outreach 2022)

3. Awards :

In the context of this call, France-BioImaging funds the project up to 80 k€. The budget could include up to 12-month salary, equipment or functioning. (**“Dépense service fait” before 12/31/2024**)

Co-funding of projects is encouraged (but FBI participation will remain 80 k€).



4. Aims :

The aim of this internal call is to give a boost to the CF and to promote the development of new technologies. At the end of the project, the prototype should reach TRL \geq 5-6 (technology ready to be transferred or already transferred).

5. Selection process and Evaluation criteria:

Project selection will be organized in two steps: First, each node will select two projects from the CF of the node and then the executive board will select several projects. Only instrumental projects (*i.e.*, instrumentation, probes, staining methods) will be evaluated.

Applications will be scored according to the 3 following criteria which have an equal weight:

- **Scientific quality, innovation and originality of the proposal**
- **Implementation, timeline of the project, competitive positioning, adequacy of resources with the proposed project**
- **Economic impact and technology transfer potential and perspectives (public or private), roadmap for a future transfer and sustainability**