



The Institute for Integrative Biology of the Cell is recruiting new team leaders

Application deadline: April 22, 2026

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The [Institute for Integrative Biology of the Cell](#) (I2BC) is a leading research institute in molecular and cellular biology, located in the greater Paris area, and affiliated to CEA, CNRS and Université Paris-Saclay. Research at the I2BC investigates [how cells function as integrated systems across multiple scales](#), using a variety of biological organisms and model systems, along four [research axes](#):

- architecture and dynamics of cellular structures and associated pathologies;
- processing of genetic information and its dysfunctions;
- host-microbe interactions: infectious diseases and symbiosis;
- bio-inspired engineering for energy, health and the environment.

Through its [five scientific departments](#), the institute offers a vibrant, multidisciplinary environment in Biochemistry/Biophysics/Structural Biology; Cell Biology; Genome Biology; Microbiology; and Virology. All teams benefit from [state-of-the-art I2BC technological facilities](#) in next-generation sequencing, proteomics, bio-imaging, biophysics, structural biology and integrative bioinformatics. Cutting-edge equipment is hosted in BioSafety Level 2 (BSL2), and soon, in BSL3 facilities.

The I2BC is recruiting new team leaders. Their selection will be based on the quality and originality of the scientific project, the excellence of the candidate's academic track-record, and the potential to synergize with ongoing research at I2BC. Internal communication is primarily in English and knowledge of French is not a prerequisite.

Special consideration will be given to **multidisciplinary research programs** integrating into one or more I2BC [research axes](#), as well as **research programs in computational biology**, addressing the challenges of biological process modeling and multi-scale data integration.

Successful applicants are expected to secure funding as well as a permanent position in France. The I2BC is committed to offering robust support for **early-career** candidates to secure funding and a permanent position within the French research ecosystem (CNRS, CEA, Université Paris-Saclay, Inserm). The institute is currently hosting several junior teams supported by ERC-StG, ATIP-Avenir and ANR JCJC grants. **Mid-career** candidates already holding a permanent position in France are also encouraged to apply.

The I2BC will provide the laureates with laboratory and office space, financial support for laboratory setup, facilitated access to I2BC technological facilities, access to shared laboratory equipment and shared resources for scientific computing, and mentoring.

Applications and enquiries should be submitted by email to call2026@i2bc.paris-saclay.fr

Applications (in English) should include (i) a one-page cover letter describing the applicant's situation and motivation for joining the I2BC; (ii) a short CV (maximum two pages), including any funding obtained (where applicable); (iii) a three-page summary of research achievements; (iv) a five-page research program; and (v) contact details of three references.

The timeline for the call is the following:

- **Application deadline: 22nd April 2026**
- Shortlisting and notification to selected candidates: early June 2026
- **On-site interviews of selected candidates: 2nd and 3rd July**
Applicants should ensure that they are available on both days
- Final selection announcement by mid-July 2026
- Starting date negotiable from Autumn 2026, depending on successful position & funding acquisition.

