

The Alliance BioSecure Foundation under the aegis of the Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale pursues in 2014 its funding of prions research. The 2014 Alliance BioSecure call will follow those of the previous years which focused on minimizing biological risk from prions.

The Alliance BioSecure Research Foundation under the aegis of the Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale is therefore pleased to announce the opening of its 2014 call for projects granted with a budget of € 250 000.

Scientific themes

- Innovative approach to detect and differentiate prion strains
- Investigation of the risk of prion transmission from animals to humans

Eligibility criteria

Projects must come from teams based in public or non-profit institution in France or abroad. The applicant must be a tenured researcher from a public research organism, a hospital or a university or a non-profit institution.

Applications may involve one or several teams, in France or abroad.

Grant applications (from 30 000 to 60 000 euros total, for a period up to 3 years) may include equipment, consumables, mission and/or personnel costs.

Selection

Project will be selected following the criteria of

- Relevance of the project towards ongoing research
- Feasibility and concrete outcome expected
- Expertise and track record of the investigators
- Clarity of application and objectives

Applications will be evaluated and selected by the Foundation Scientific Advisory Board following an independent assessment from external referees. Final selection and budget will be approved by the executive committee of the Alliance BioSecure Foundation.

Scientific Advisory Board

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Schedule

- **Deadline for receipt of application form : 12th May 2014**
- **Notification of Grants awarded: 10th October 2014**