

ISTITUTO PASTEUR FONDAZIONE CENCI BOLOGNETTI

CALL FOR START-UP GRANTS

The **Istituto Pasteur - Fondazione Cenci Bolognetti** (www.istitutopasteur.it) supports research and the education of a new generation of researchers seeking a career in the biological sciences. The Institute strives to promote the work of scientists pursuing innovative research work at the Sapienza University of Rome.

The Starter Grants Program aims to provide “start-up” funding of research costs and personal salary costs for the programs supported. The scheme is designed to award **two “start-up” grants of 90.000,00 Euro each per year**, for a three year period and starting preferably between July and October 2009. The total amount includes a personal annual income for the project leader, to be determined on the basis of the scientific curriculum presented. This annual figure will be up to 50.000,00 Euro gross.

ELEGIBILITY

Applicants should:

- present an excellent publication record
- have at least three years of postdoctoral work experience prior to the application deadline
- submit research projects focusing on topics of Pasteurian science relevant to one or more of the following seven areas of research fostered by the Istituto Pasteur - Fondazione Cenci Bolognetti :

1. Molecular biology of micro-organisms and viruses
2. Pathogenetic mechanisms of microbially associated diseases
3. Molecular genetics of eukaryotes
4. Molecular recognition in biomolecules
5. Cellular and molecular immunology
6. New antimicrobial and antiviral agents
7. Biology of malaria and other vector-borne diseases

APPLICATION

Applicants should:

- include in the proposal a CV, a list of publications and a short description of previous research
- provide a detailed research plan containing the scientific and technical description of the work they intend to carry out (*five pages max.*)
- provide a detailed implementation plan regarding the use of a potential budget
- report any possible contact with research groups working within the Istituto Pasteur of Rome.
- provide three letters of reference

EVALUATION

Decisions will be taken by an internal Committee based upon confidential evaluation by international experts. The five highest ranking applicants will be interviewed.

Applicants are invited to submit proposals

- **by e-mail** at pasteurcenci@uniroma1.it

- **and** in hardcopy **by post** to the following address:

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The **deadline** for submitting applications is **April 30th 2009**