



Open position for Director of the *i-Bio* Initiative

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i-Bio

The *i-Bio* Initiative is a 4-year program of Sorbonne University Alliance (2020-2023) that aims to promote the exploration of fundamental biological questions through the application of approaches and/or concepts from other disciplines, such as mathematics, physics, chemistry, engineering and computer science. *i-Bio* brings together about 60 research teams that are affiliated with the [Institut de Biologie Paris-Seine](#) (IBPS) and the [Institut du Fer à Moulin](#) (IFM) at Sorbonne University.

i-Bio includes several actions:

- a three-year PhD program,
- support for collaborative and interdisciplinary research,
- start-up packages for new teams,
- scientific animation through seminars, symposia and summer schools.

The mission of the i-Bio Director

The selected candidate will take the direction of *i-Bio* starting from the 1st of July 2021 until the 31th of December 2023. He/she will be assisted by a Deputy-Director and by the *i-Bio* Executive Committee.

The role of the director is:

- To organize the scientific actions listed above and to commit *i-Bio* funds to these operations,
- To make all decisions, in continuous concertation with the *i-Bio* Executive Committee, regarding these scientific actions,
- To manage interactions/collaborations with the various scientific departments and bodies of Sorbonne University Alliance,
- To develop links with Europe and International,
- To commit *i-Bio* into projects interfaced with training,
- To disseminate *i-Bio* activities nationally and internationally,
- To report the *i-Bio* strategy and its overall activities to the Presidency of Sorbonne University Alliance and its Steering Committee, as well as to the *i-Bio* Scientific Advisory Board,

The expected profile of the i-Bio Director

The candidate must hold a permanent position of researcher or university lecturer-researcher at IBPS or IFM. He/she must have an international scientific track record as principal investigator and shown a specific interest for interdisciplinary approaches. He/she should have a strong sense of dedication to the community, a dynamic personality, the ability of taking initiatives/responsibilities and developed relational skills. Knowledge of the scientific activities of Sorbonne University Alliance, institutional agencies governing research in France as well as European programs is recommended. Partial teaching discharge is provided for university lecturers.

How to apply

If you have any question regarding the *i-Bio* Initiative and its management, please contact Catherine Jessus (catherine.jessus@sorbonne-universite.fr).

To apply, please send a motivation letter including your strategic vision for *i-Bio* (2 pages maximum) as well as your CV (2 pages maximum) to catherine.jessus@sorbonne-universite.fr and valerie.goguel@sorbonne-universite.fr

Dead-line: April 30, 2021.

The candidates will be interviewed by the Executive Committee of *i-Bio* in May.