# **ESR 8 Project Information Sheet**

Project Title	Functional artificial cells from compartmentalized polymersomes
Reference number	BIOMOLMACS_ESR_8
Host Institution/Company	University of Bordeaux
Supervisor(s)	Prof. Sébastien Lecommandoux
Research Group	Lecommandoux's research group
Department/School	LCPO
Duration	36-months full-time employment contract provided and ESR enrolled on 3-year structured PhD.
Funding information	Funding agency: H2020-MSCA-ITN-2019 (Proposal no:859416)
Early Stage Researcher Salary and Allowances	Living allowance: <i>approximately</i> €40,000/year + mobility allowance of €7,200/year + family allowance where applicable (all values before tax and social security payments) This calculation is to give you an idea about the level of funding. The actual salaries can be found on the official job application link below.
Pre-application closing date	28th of February 2020
Official application closing date	15th of March 2020
Start date	1 <sub>st</sub> of April 2020 or as soon as possible thereafter.
Official job application link*	https://www.lcpo.fr/permanent/sebastien- lecommandoux/

<sup>\*</sup>The pre-application form should be submitted to <u>biomolmacs@gmail.com</u> by latest 28th of February 2020. Following the initial eligibility assessment, the applicants will be requested to submit their applications using the links provided specific to each institution/company.

#### **Post Summary**

#### **Brief description of the project:**

ESR 8 will focus on the development of cell-like vesicles from the self-assembly of pure amphiphilic diblock copolymers or mixed systems based on polymers and lipids. These so-called hybrid vesicles can be symmetric or asymmetric, with a homogeneous or heterogeneous composition that can modulate their interaction with cells. Reproducible methods to prepare compartmentalized cell-like structures that can contain artificial organelles will be developed based on microfluidics. Finally, *in situ* design of a transmembrane pore based on molecular motors will be use to interact with cells and deliver their content.

Further information on the research interests of Prof. Sébastien Lecommandoux can be found on their website.

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## Standard duties and responsibilities of the ESR

For the 36 months of employment contract the ESR will be required to work exclusively on the MSCA ITN programme (BIOMOLMACS). In all cases, all duties and responsibilities will be clearly outlined in the researchers Personal Career Development Plan, as determined in the early stages of the project between the ESR and their supervisory committee.

# Person Specification Qualifications

Essential

Applicants should hold or expect to attain, as a minimum a 2:1 Honours degree, or equivalent, in Chemistry, Materials Science, Analytical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Biomedical Science, Polymer Chemistry, Pharmaceutics or related area.

## **Knowledge and Experience**

Essential

- Research project carried out in at least one of the above disciplines.
- A demonstrated knowledge of at least three of the following: pharmaceutical formulation development, drug delivery, cell culture/molecular biology, nanotechnology, polymerisation techniques.

#### Desirable

Work placement undertaken in an industry related to the above disciplines

# Skills and Competencies

### **Essential**

- Applicants whose first language is not English must submit evidence of competency in English, please see University of Bordeaux's English Language Requirements for details.
- Evidence of interest, aptitude and research experience in the above disciplines.

#### **Further information**

For any informal queries, please contact Prof. Sébastien Lecommandoux by email at lecommandoux@enscbp.fr

For queries relating to the application and admission process please contact Dr Gokhan Yilmaz at <a href="mailto:biomolmacs@gmail.com">biomolmacs@gmail.com</a>

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