

Scientific elements needed for the letter of intent

This may be useful for collecting elements prior to the opening of the extranet site, or to see what is necessary without initiating an application (each element is accompanied by tips on the extranet site).

TITLE and KEYWORDS

- a. Title (maximum 100 characters, including spaces).
- b. Keywords (maximum 10 words or phrases in all). Include keywords for 1. Biological function, 2. Biological material, 3. Methods and instruments. If a keyword is missing from the list (this list is within the application form on ProposalCentral site), you may add it by using the "additional keywords" box. Please do not add techniques to this list.
- c. Which disciplines are represented among the members of your team (up to 10).

RESEARCH PROJECT

- d. Abstract of overall project (1200 characters, including spaces and punctuation). State clearly the aims of the team as a whole. Please provide a brief explanation of the contributions of the different disciplines which may be used in piloting the review process.
- e. Each team member should describe his or her subproject (1200 characters, including spaces and punctuation), with a clear indication of the role played in achieving the goal of the team as a whole. Use this space for the scientific contribution, do not repeat details that are in the CV here. [Note that there are four fields in the online form – applicants will have to complete according to number of team members. In teams involving five members, the 4th field will have to be shared between two members].

Please note that there is an upper limit on the character count for these subprojects sections, and it is impossible to redistribute between the boxes.

- f. Innovative and Collaborative elements (600 characters for each, including spaces and punctuation).
 - (i) Which aspects of the proposed project are especially innovative? How does it differ from the ongoing research activities of each team member?
 - (ii) Which collaborative elements are essential for the project to succeed; what makes the team more powerful than the sum of the individual contributions?
- g. Interdisciplinarity [new combinations of expertise - to be completed when there are 2 applicants in same country (but see 3.6. of the [guidelines](#)) or more than 4 applicants in all] (1200 characters, including spaces and punctuation).
- h. Key references related to the project (maximum 5, 1200 characters, including spaces and punctuation) - from your own and other sources.

Each member will also have to fill in a personal section including subsections as "Personal details", "Education", "Research experience", "Publications from the last 5 years" (including preprints – see [definition](#))... They will also have to declare the number (if any) of co-publications with other members of the team (see 3.1 of the [guidelines](#)).