

Liliane Bettencourt Prize for Life Sciences 2025

The Fondation Bettencourt Schueller supports and encourages excellence in French research through its scientific prizes and in particular the Liliane Bettencourt Prize for Life Sciences.

This prize honors the work of a European researcher under the age of 45 who is acknowledged by the scientific community for the quality of his or her work and outstanding contribution to his or her field of scientific research. The 2025 edition will award a researcher working in France.

The Liliane Bettencourt Prize for Life Sciences in 2025 is exclusively open to researchers who meet the following criteria:

- Being a researcher in life sciences,
- Being a national of a member state of the European Union (EU) or the European Free Trade Association (EFTA),
- Being under 45 years of age (as of January, 1st 2025). The eligibility window can be extended in three situations, on presentation of supporting documents:
 - Maternity leave (18 months per birth), paternity leave (leave actually taken), for all births before or after the researcher obtains a PhD;
 - Long-term illness (>90 days) for the researcher or a close family member (child, parents or spouse);
 - National service;
 - Medical studies, for researchers holding both a medical or pharmacy degree (MD or PharmD) and a PhD (2 year-extension).
- Working in an academic research laboratory located in France.

Former laureates of the Liliane Bettencourt Prize for Life Sciences are not eligible to apply again.

The call for candidates will be launched from January 6 to February 28, 2025 among qualified eminent scientists selected by the Fondation. Candidates will then be contacted by the Foundation and invited to apply online from March 3 to April 21, 2025.