

LabMUSE EpiGenMed International Collaborative PhD Training networks 2020 Information for candidates

Candidate selection procedure:

- **Pre-selection:** The EpiGenMed Scientific Council in collaboration with the doctoral school CBS2 will preselect a list of candidates based on the received applications.

- **Meeting with PIs and interviews:**

Preselected applicants will be invited to Montpellier to meet the PIs proposing a PhD position and to participate in an interview.

Meeting the PIs: The PIs proposing a PhD position will present their research projects to the preselected candidates and the candidates will discuss with the group leaders in Montpellier or via video-conference.

Interviews: The preselected candidates will present their educational background and motivation for the PhD during an interview with the LabMUSE EpiGenMed Scientific Council, members of CBS2 and the coordinating PIs of the PhD training networks. Travel and accommodation expenses will be covered by EpiGenMed. Applicants from outside the European Union will be interviewed by videoconference.

- **Final selection:** The Scientific Council and the coordinating PIs will establish a list of accepted candidates.

Assignment of the PhD Thesis Supervisor

Selected students will be assigned to a network and a research team within the chosen network taking into account the preferences of the students and evaluations of the PIs and the Scientific Council.

Acceptance letters will be sent to the successful candidates with an indication to which research group they have been assigned. All candidates will be notified of the outcome of their application.

Supervision of the PhD thesis work

The PhD student will be supervised by his/her thesis supervisor (and possibly a co-supervisor), who must be « Habilitated to Direct Research (HDR) », and who must follow the CBS2 doctoral school rules.

Deadlines for application and selection

The below dates are indicative and may change during the procedure.

- Applications should be uploaded to the Lab-MUSE EpiGenMed website by **May 31st, 2020** at the latest: <https://muse.edu.umontpellier.fr/epi-3/>
- Pre-selection of applicants and invitation to visit the site: **June 2020.**
- Candidate's on-site visit/interview (or video conference): **Beginning of July 2020.**
- Final ranking and acceptance letter: **July 2020.**
- Deadline for student's acceptance: **July 2020.**
- Start of PhD thesis: **October 1st, 2020.**

Thesis contract

- *Duration:* The PhD thesis contract lasts for three years.
- *Studentship:* The monthly gross salary will be about 1768 €.

EpiGenMed Thesis Training includes

- PhD Training in several research teams following a training plan.
- Participation in the training actions set up by the network consortium.
- Participation in the organization of a LabMUSE EpiGenMed meeting set up by the network members.