

Group Leader Position at the Lyon Hepatology Institute

Position	
Level of the position in which the candidate will be granted tenure	Research Scientist
Project name	Hepatology Chair of Excellence
Keywords	Liver diseases, Basic research, Translational research
Duration	36 months
Funding package	P.I. Candidate salary 3000 € (net salary before income tax)
Grant 440 k€	One post-doc fellowship or PhD fellowship (total 120 k€)
Duration 36 months	Running costs: 110 k€
Start of funding	2026

Affiliation	
Institution	Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1 (UCBL)
Research unit	PaThLiv (UMR 1350 – UCBL, Inserm) IHU Lyon - Institute of Hepatology of Lyon
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The **Lyon Hepatology Institute EVEREST**, an Institute of Excellence in Biology and Biomedical Research, is opening a **call for one Chair of Excellence** for a talented, dynamic and motivated investigator to develop an ambitious project in liver pathobiology on one of the following topics: **virology, metabolism, oncology, immunology and inflammation, liver regeneration, organ preservation**. The position will be funded by the Hepatology Institute.

The candidate will join the Research Unit PaThLiv UMR 1350 endorsed by INSERM and Lyon University at the Lyon Hepatology Institute (see more information on our website: <https://www.iheu-hepatolyon.fr/en/>). The Institute has been awarded in 2023 the prestigious “IHU” label (University-Hospital Institute), a French government label for centers of excellence. It aims at addressing current and future challenges of hepatology by integrating basic, translational and clinical research expertise. The Institute strategy is to transfer efficiently new concepts and innovation to the clinic, thus contributing to the cure of chronic liver diseases through affordable and sustainable precision medicine. The Institute aims to ensure the highest standard of care, top-class training, and industrial partnership for efficient transfer of innovations. Its main objectives are to: i) identify novel liver disease pathways, and molecular and cellular mechanisms to discover novel biomarkers and treatment targets, ii) provide new insight into the pathobiology of chronic liver diseases (CLD) through an integrative multi-omics approach, iii) establish a comprehensive blueprint of CLD to enable a personalized management using the emerging targeted therapies; iv) develop and validate innovative therapies to cure liver diseases.

The successful candidate will benefit from an appropriate laboratory space to establish his/her independent group and will have access to state-of-the-art core facilities (omics and single cell NGS platforms, flow cytometry, imaging, BSL2/BSL3 laboratories, and access to patients' samples).

The Institute of Hepatology is committed to promoting equality, diversity and inclusivity. The selection will be based on scientific criteria only. The selected candidate will be offered an attractive start-up package for up to 3-years for a total of 440 k€ euros. The Institute of Hepatology will assist the candidate during the application process for a tenured position at Inserm or Lyon University.

The candidate must meet criteria to compete for additional national and international research funding including:

- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (<https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/>), or
 - ERC (<https://erc.europa.eu/homepage>), or
 - ATIP/AVENIR (<https://www.inserm.fr/en/about-us/atip-avenir-program/>), or
 - FRM starting grant ("Amorçage jeunes équipes 2025" <https://www.frm.org/fr/programmes>)
- to supplement his/her research funding. The Hepatology Institute team, along with the dedicated founders' offices, will assist the candidate in these funding applications and projects.

Applications should be submitted in English by September 1st, 2025: a CV (2 pages), a short description of achievements and records of self-financing (2 pages), a research project outline (2 pages), 2 recommendation letters.

All information provided by applicants will remain confidential.

Candidates selected for the interview by the Hepatology Institute selection committee will be notified by October 1st, 2025.

Interview for final selection will be organized before end of 2025.

How to apply / Contacts: please send your application to

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