
Partner: Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)

Notice: The Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR) supports the 5th Call for Proposals” Scientific and Technological Cooperation in Plant Genome Research as basis of the knowledge Based Bio economy (PLANT-KBBE)”. The ANR funds will be available only for support of French participants in projects. These funds will be managed by the Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA), which is also the support institute of the ANR national programme “Génomique et Biotechnologies végétales “. All the rules of funding from ANR are explained in this call and will be applied for Plant KBBE call, too. So the French partners need to know and to observe these rules (especially the rate of non permanent scientists which could be asked for funding to ANR). **In 2010, every proposal to ANR funding has to be submitted on line.** Therefore, the French partners must appoint one of them to be the French coordinator to submit in line the points asked from the French side on ANR web site.

For further details on the ANR, please visit <http://www.agence-nationale-recherche.fr/>.

Eligibility: The theme of the *Collaborative Research Project* (CRP) has to follow one of the themes defined in the Call. The CRP composition must match the requirements detailed in the Call (see Eligibility).

Energy crops : ANR doesn't support any longer research projects dealing with biomass production for energy which are based on first generation plants, i.e. plants of which only grains, fruits, tubers or leaf juices are used. Neither the ANR department of Ecosystems and Sustainable Development nor the ANR department of Sustainable Energy and Development support research projects using those plants for energy production.

Conversely, the ANR department of Ecosystem and Sustainable Development will support research projects for energy plants belonging to the second generation, i.e. plants whose total aerial part is used, whose global energy balance is acceptable and which do not compete with feed and food production. Microalgae, which belong to the third generation, are also eligible.

National regulations: For French participations, financial details are asked and must be filled in line on ANR web site.

The rate of funding applicable to research organisations and companies, to undertakings, as well as the rules for complementary funding for projects labelled by a “Pôle de compétitivité” are defined by ANR; they are the same as in the 2010 national call for projects “Génomique et biotechnologies végétales”. The final acceptance of the projects will be given by the ANR director.

Consortium agreement and Intellectual Property Rights: For the selected projects the consortium agreement between the parties should follow the IPR conditions and the model of Consortium agreement.

Research project follow-up: The follow-up of the funded projects will be carried out in the same way as for the projects funded in the 2010 national ANR programme “Génomique et biotechnologies végétales”, within the axis “Génomique des plantes”. The ANR “Génomique des plantes” Follow up Committee will examine the French participation and will have a close look at the implementation of the collaboration.

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