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27 May

COAS Architecture & Society Award 2025

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The Lumen, the learning centre of Université Paris-Saclay, was recognised at the 6th COAS Architecture & Society Awards 2025, in the category “non-residential building”.

19 June

QS World University Rankings 2026

Université Paris-Saclay confirmed its position among the world's top 100 universities in the global ranking published by Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), rising three places to rank 70th worldwide.

15 August

Shanghai Ranking 2025

Université Paris-Saclay was ranked the 13th best university in the world, first in France and first in continental Europe by Shanghai Ranking Consultancy in its international university ranking (ARWU – Academic Ranking of World Universities).

6 November

Bienvenue en France Label

Université Paris-Saclay has been awarded the third star of the “Bienvenue en France” label, the highest level granted by Campus France, in recognition of the quality of its support and welcome for international students.

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18 November

QS Sustainability Ranking

On Tuesday, 18 November, Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) released its latest edition of the global university sustainability rankings. Once again this year, Université Paris-Saclay stands out as the top French university in the field and one of the leading institutions worldwide.

20 November

Shanghai Subject Rankings 2025

Université Paris-Saclay was ranked in 40 disciplines in the Shanghai subject rankings, the annual international ranking of universities by subject (Global Ranking of Academic Subjects – GRAS), maintaining a position within the global top 10 in two disciplines.

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NOMINATIONS

15 January

Legion of Honour and National Order of Merit

Nine individuals affiliated with Université Paris-Saclay have been promoted or appointed to the National Order of the Legion of Honour and the National Order of Merit.

Legion of Honour, Knight:



Sandrine Clavel, professor of private law, honorary dean of the Faculty of Law and Political Science at Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines, and co-director of the Business Law and New Technologies Laboratory (Dante – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ);



Elie Fadel, professor of medicine and hospital practitioner in surgery at the Faculty of Medicine Paris-Saclay, and head of the Department of Thoracic, Vascular, and Cardiopulmonary Transplant Surgery at Marie-Lannelongue Hospital.

National Order of Merit, Officer:



Nathalie Carasco, professor of planetary sciences and president of ENS Paris-Saclay since 2022;



Thibault Damour, theoretical physicist and permanent professor at the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHES);



Suzette Delaloge, medical oncologist, breast specialist, director of a cancer screening and prevention research programme at Gustave Roussy Cancer Centre;



Marie-Claude Gaudel, honorary professor of computer science at Université Paris-Saclay;



Laure Saint-Raymond, permanent professor of mathematics at the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques (IHES) and member of the French Academy of Sciences.

National Order of Merit, Knight:



Fabrice Barlesi, professor of medicine and hospital practitioner in oncology at the Faculty of Medicine Paris-Saclay, and general director of Gustave Roussy;



Claire Thomas-Junius, former elite athlete, senior lecturer in biology at Université Évry, and director of the Exercise Biology for Performance and Health Laboratory (LBEPS – Univ. Évry/IRBA/Ceritd).

31 January

Fellow of the International Society Optica



Optica, a leading society in the field of optics and photonics, announced its new fellows, including **Franck Delmotte**, professor at the Institut d'Optique Graduate School, researcher at the Charles Fabry Laboratory (LCF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/IOS/CNRS), et **Delphine Marris-Morini**, professor at Université Paris-Saclay and researcher at the Centre for Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies (C2N – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris Cité).



11 April

Member of Sigma Xi



Jean-Pierre Mothet, neurobiologist and CNRS research director at the Light, Matter and Interfaces Laboratory (Lumin – Univ. Paris-Saclay/ENS Paris-Saclay/CentraleSupélec/CNRS), has been elected a member of Sigma Xi in recognition of his outstanding body of work.

23 May

National Order of Merit

109 individuals from higher education, research, and innovation were promoted or appointed to the National Order of Merit, three of whom are members of the Université Paris-Saclay community.

Officer:



Hélène Bouchiat, researcher in mesoscopic physics at the Laboratory of Solid-State Physics (LPS – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS);



Jean-Philippe Bourgoïn, physicist, Deputy Director of Research at CEA, board member of ENS Paris-Saclay, and member of the institutional committee of Quantum-Saclay;



Nathalie Noblet-Ducoudré, climatologist, research director at CEA in the Laboratory for Climate and Environmental Sciences (LSCE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/CEA/CNRS).

11 July

Legion of Honour



Joël Ankri, director of the Laboratory of Ageing and Chronic Diseases (Vima – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/Inserm), professor at Université Paris-Saclay, hospital practitioner, specialist in Alzheimer's disease at Sainte Péline Hospital in Paris, and President of the

Scientific Council of the French National Agency for the Safety of Medicines and Health Products (ANSM) since January 2021, has been appointed Knight of the Legion of Honour.

2 September

Member of the Institute for Advanced Study



Tess Bouis, doctor of Université Paris-Saclay, who completed his PhD in mathematics at the Laboratoire de mathématiques d'Orsay (LMO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), has been appointed a member of the Institute for Advanced Study, one of the world's most prestigious

research institutes.

[>> Click here to learn more](#)

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a pen, poised to write on a document. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent purple filter. The text 'HIGHLY CITED RESEARCHERS' is written in bold white capital letters, with a vertical dotted line to its left.

HIGHLY CITED RESEARCHERS

The "Highly Cited Researchers 2025", published on 12 November 2025 by Clarivate Analytics, recognise 17 scientists from Université Paris-Saclay among the 7,100 most influential researchers worldwide, particularly those most frequently cited by their peers over the past decade. Université Paris-Saclay ranks as the second French university in terms of the number of distinguished scientists.



Fabrice Barlesi - Specialist in lung cancer, precision medicine, and cancer immunology; Director General of Gustave Roussy and Professor of Medicine at Université Paris-Saclay, Fabrice Barlesi is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category

Clinical Medicine.



Benjamin Besse - Medical oncologist specialising in thoracic cancers and Director of Clinical Research at Gustave Roussy Hospital; Professor at Université Paris-Saclay and member of the team Genetic Adaptation to Kinase Inhibitors within the unit Molecular Predictors and

New Targets in Oncology (PMNCO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Institut Gustave Roussy/Inserm). He is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Claire Chenu - Professor of Soil Science at AgroParisTech and Research Director at the Laboratory of Functional Ecology and Ecotoxicology of Agroecosystems (Ecosys – Univ. Paris-Saclay/AgroParisTech/INRAE), Claire Chenu is among the most cited scientists

worldwide in the category Agricultural Sciences.



Franck Courchamp - Ecologist and CNRS Research Director at the Laboratory of Ecology, Society and Evolution (ESE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/AgroParisTech), Franck Courchamp is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Environment

and Ecology.



Stanislas Dehaene - Neuroscientist specialising in cognitive psychology; Professor at the Collège de France and Research Director at the Cognitive Neuroimaging Laboratory (Unicog – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA), which he also leads, Stanislas Dehaene is among the most

cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.



Charles-Antoine Dutertre - Researcher at the Laboratory of Tumour Immunology and Cancer Immunotherapy (Itic – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy) and member of the unit Molecular Analysis, Modelling and Imaging of Cancer (Ammica – Univ. Paris-

Saclay/CNRS/Inserm/Gustave Roussy), Charles-Antoine Dutertre is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.



Albert Fert - Nobel Laureate in Physics in 2007 for the discovery of giant magnetoresistance (GMR), Emeritus Professor at Université Paris-Saclay and former researcher at the Albert Fert Laboratory (LAF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Thales), which he co-founded,

Albert Fert is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.



Karim Fizazi - Medical oncologist specialising in prostate cancer, Director of the Genitourinary Committee at Institut Gustave Roussy, Professor of Oncology at Université Paris-Saclay and member of the team Adaptive Resistance to Anti-Cancer Therapies within the unit

Molecular Predictors and New Targets in Oncology (PMNCO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Gustave Roussy/Inserm), Karim Fizazi is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Florent Ginhoux - Head of the Development and Functions of Myeloid Cells Department at the Laboratory of Tumour Immunology and Cancer Immunotherapy (Itic – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy) and visiting or adjunct professor at prestigious

institutions (Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York; Singapore Immunology Network (SIgN)/A*STAR; Jiao Tong University Institute of Immunology, Shanghai), Florent Ginhoux is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Immunology.



Marc Humbert - Dean of the Faculty of Medicine Paris-Saclay, Professor of Pulmonology at Université Paris-Saclay, Head of the Department of Pulmonology and Respiratory Intensive Care at Bicêtre Hospital (Assistance Publique – Hôpitaux de Paris), and Director of the Pulmonary

Hypertension: Pathophysiology and Therapeutic Innovation Unit (HPPIT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm), Marc Humbert is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Philippe Langella - Researcher at INRAE, Head of the team Interactions of Commensal and Probiotic Bacteria with the Host (ProbiHôte) within the Microbiology of Food for Human Health Laboratory (Micalis – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INRAE/AgroParisTech), Philippe Langella

is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.



David Makowski - Research Director at INRAE in the Mathematics and Applied Computer Science – Paris-Saclay Laboratory (MIA-PS – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INRAE/AgroParisTech), David Makowski is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.



Aurélien Marabelle - Medical oncologist and Professor at Université Paris-Saclay; Head of the Translational Research Laboratory in Immunotherapy (LRTI – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy), affiliated with the Laboratory of Tumour Immunology and Cancer Immunotherapy (Itic – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy), Aurélien Marabelle is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



David Planchard - Thoracic oncologist, Head of the Thoracic Pathology Committee at Gustave Roussy and Associate Professor at Université Paris-Saclay, David Planchard is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Caroline Robert - Head of the Dermatology Department at Gustave Roussy Hospital, Professor at Université Paris-Saclay and responsible for teaching dermatology at the Faculty of Medicine Paris-Saclay, Caroline Robert also leads the team Adaptive Resistance to Anti-Cancer Therapies within the unit Molecular Predictors and New Targets in Oncology (PMNCO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy). She is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Jean-Charles Soria - Internationally renowned medical oncologist, specialist in precision medicine, immunotherapy, and lung cancer, Professor of Medicine and Medical Oncology at Université Paris-Saclay; Jean-Charles Soria served as Director General of Gustave Roussy, Europe's leading cancer centre, from January 2020 to the end of July 2021. He is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the category Clinical Medicine.



Robert Vautard - Director of the Pierre-Simon Laplace Institute (IPSL – Univ. Paris-Saclay/École Polytechnique/UVSQ/Sorbonne Univ./CEA/CNRS/IRD/CNES/ENS Ulm/Univ. Paris-Est Créteil/Univ. Paris-Cité), Co-Chair of the first Working Group of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) since 2023, and CNRS Research Director at the Laboratory of Climate and Environmental Sciences (LSCE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/CNRS/CEA), Robert Vautard is among the most cited scientists worldwide in the Cross-Field category.

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HEALTH

11 March

Medical Research Award



Yohann Loriot, professor at Université Paris-Saclay and hospital practitioner (PU-PH), medical oncologist specialising in bladder cancer at Gustave Roussy, Deputy Head of the Department of Therapeutic Innovations and Early Trials (DITEP), and coordinator of the

programme UNLOCK: Analysis of Mechanisms of Action and Resistance to Innovative Therapies, received the Lucie and Olga Fradiss Foundation Award for his project on identifying treatment resistance and developing new therapies for urothelial and prostate cancers.

4 November

Vladimir Jakovljevic Award for Excellence in Cardiovascular Sciences



Rodolphe Fischmeister, emeritus research director at INSERM in the Signalling and Cardiovascular Pathophysiology Laboratory (CARPAT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INSERM), affiliated with the Faculty of Pharmacy of Université Paris-Saclay, was honoured at

the annual congress of the International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences with the Vladimir Jakovljevic Award for Excellence in Cardiovascular Sciences in recognition of his lifetime achievements.

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25 November

Second Session of the Academy of Sciences Awards



Ana Maria Gómez, INSERM research director and head of the Signalling and Cardiovascular Pathophysiology Laboratory (CARPAT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INSERM), received the Lamonica Cardiology Award for her research on heart failure and the development of

arrhythmias.

20 November

“Danièle Hermann - Cœur de Femmes” Fellowship

Ana Maria Gómez was also awarded the “Danièle Hermann – Cœur de Femmes” Fellowship for her research project aimed at understanding why women, at equivalent age and cardiac condition, are more susceptible than men to certain arrhythmias, particularly in situations of acute stress.

27 November

Inserm Grand Prize



Marc Humbert, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine Paris-Saclay, Director of the Pulmonary Hypertension: Pathophysiology and Therapeutic Innovation Unit (HPPIT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm), Head of the Department of Pulmonology and Respiratory

Intensive Care at Bicêtre Hospital (AP-HP), and former President of the European Respiratory Society (ERS), received the Grand Prize of the AP-HP Foundation in recognition of his outstanding career.

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20 October

2025 AP-HP Foundation Grand Prize

Marc Humbert was also awarded the Grand Prize of the AP-HP Foundation in recognition of his lifetime achievements.

2 December

INRAE Laurel



Olivier Berteau, research director at INRAE in the Microbiology of Food for Human Health Institute (Micalis – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INRAE/AgroParisTech), was awarded the INRAE “Scientific Challenge” Laurel for his work addressing a scientific problem of societal interest.

5 December

Foundation for Medical Research Awards

The Foundation for Medical Research presented its 2025 awards to honour the top talents in French medical research. Four individuals associated with Université Paris-Saclay were recognised:



Véronique Minard-Colin, Professor of Paediatrics at Université Paris-Saclay and head of the Immunotherapy programme within the Department of Paediatric and Adolescent Haematology and Oncology at Gustave Roussy, received the Fondation Guillaumat-Piel 1

Prize for her innovative work in the fight against childhood cancers.



Cécile Denis, INSERM research director and head of the Haemostasis, Inflammation and Thrombosis Unit (HITH – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INSERM) at Bicêtre Hospital, was awarded the Jean-Paul Binet Prize for her research on the mechanisms of blood clot formation.



Carole Escartin, CNRS research director and head of the Astrocyte Signalling in Physiology and Neurodegenerative Diseases Team at the Institut des Neurosciences Paris-Saclay (NeuroPSI – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), has been awarded the Marie-Paule Burrus Prize for

her work on neurodegenerative diseases.



Suzette Delaloge, oncologist specialising in breast cancer and cancer prevention, director of the Personalised Prevention – Interception Programme at Institut Gustave Roussy and alumna of Université Paris-Saclay, received the Jean Bernard Prize for her initiatives in cancer

prevention.

16 December

National Academy of Medicine Awards

The National Academy of Medicine presented its annual awards. Four recipients are affiliated with Université Paris-Saclay:



Béchir Jarraya, university professor and hospital practitioner (PU-PH) in neurosurgery at Hôpital Foch and neuroscience researcher, received the Émile Delannoy-Robbe 2025 Prize. He currently leads the Neuromodulation Team within the Cognitive Neuroscience

Unit (Unicog – Université Paris-Saclay/INSERM/CEA/CNRS).



Dragos Ciocan, lecturer in the Hepato-Gastroenterology Department at Hôpital Antoine-Béclère in Clamart, received the Alcoholism Prevention Prize. A hepatogastroenterologist and researcher at the Inflammation, Microbiome and Immunosurveillance

Laboratory (MI2 – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INSERM), he combines clinical practice with fundamental research.



Fanny Jaulin, INSERM research director and head of the Collective Invasion Team at the Tumour Cell Dynamics Laboratory (TCD – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Gustave Roussy/INSERM), received the Cancer Prize.



Émilie Pacheco Da Silva, PhD graduate of Université Paris-Saclay, received the Albert Sézary Young Researcher Prize. After several years of research at the Centre for Research in Epidemiology and Population Health (Cesp – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/INSERM), focusing on environmental and occupational health, she has been a junior epidemiologist at the MGEN

Foundation for Public Health since July 2025.

17 December

National Academy of Pharmacy Awards

The National Academy of Pharmacy presented its annual awards recognising excellence, innovation, and commitment to the advancement of pharmaceutical sciences.

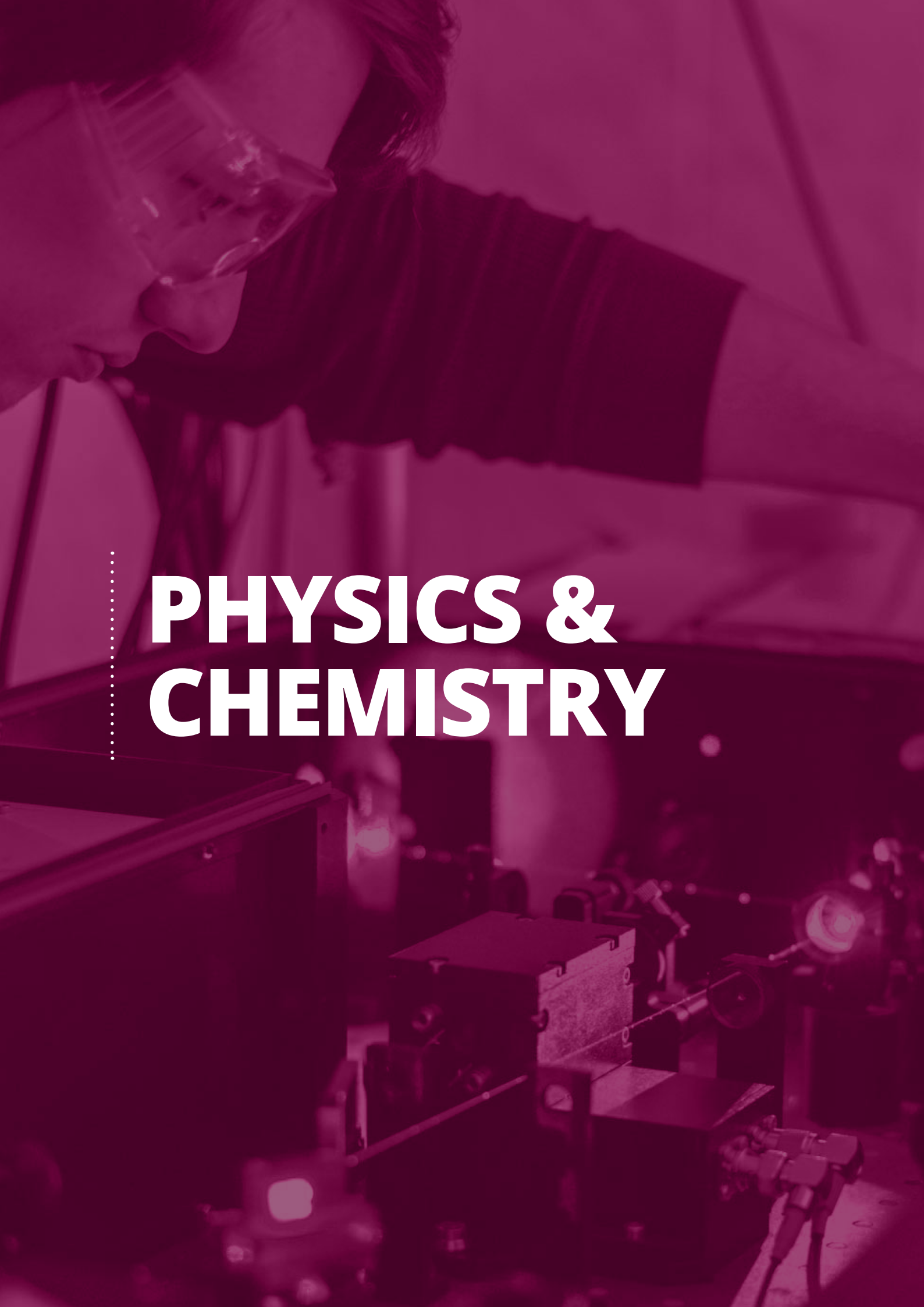
Two PhD graduates from Université Paris-Saclay were honoured:



Oriane Jouhet, PhD graduate in hospital pharmacy and health economics from Université Paris-Saclay, received the Choay Prize.



Benjamin Querin, PhD graduate from Université Paris-Saclay, specialising in the prevention and control of infectious risks, received the Internat Prize.

A person wearing a lab coat and safety goggles is working with scientific equipment. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent purple filter. The text "PHYSICS & CHEMISTRY" is prominently displayed in the center.

PHYSICS & CHEMISTRY

6 January

Charpak-Ritz Prize

contributions
information.

Nicolas Sangouard, Research Director at CEA in the Institute of Theoretical Physics (DRF/IPHT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), received the 2025 Charpak-Ritz Prize from the French Physical Society (SFP) and the Swiss Physical Society (SPS) for his theoretical

to quantum optics and quantum

16 June

CNRS Medals

Manuel Bibes, CNRS Research Director at the Albert Fert Laboratory (LAF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Thales), specialist in oxitronics (at the intersection of materials physics) and co-founder of the start-up Nellow, received the CNRS Silver Medal.



Igor Ferrier-Barbut, CNRS Research Scientist in the Quantum Optics Group at the Charles Fabry Laboratory (LCF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/IOGS/CNRS) and recipient of the 2022 Jacques Herbrand Grand Prize of the French Academy of Sciences, was awarded the CNRS Bronze Medal.



Vladimir Manea, experimental nuclear physicist and CNRS researcher at the Irène Joliot-Curie Laboratory (IJCLab – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris Cité), received the CNRS Bronze Medal.



Michael Winn, experimental hadronic physicist and CNRS researcher at the Department of Nuclear Physics (Ifu – DPHN – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received the CNRS Bronze Medal.



Emiliano Olivieri, research engineer at the Laboratory of Physics of the Two Infinities – Irène Joliot-Curie (IJCLab – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris-Cité), received the CNRS Crystal Medal.

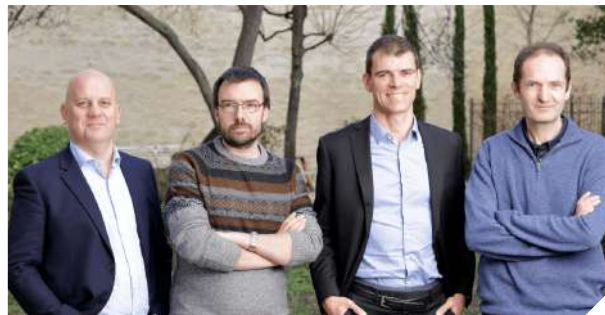


Géraldine Masson, chemist and CNRS research director at the Institute of Chemistry of Natural Substances (ICSN – CNRS/Univ. Paris-Saclay), and head of the Photocatalysis and Organocatalysis With Efficient Reactivity (POWER) Team, was awarded the CNRS Silver Medal.



Aurélien de la Torre, CNRS research officer at the Institute of Molecular and Materials Chemistry of Orsay (Icmmo – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS) and 2024 ERC Consolidator Grant recipient, received the CNRS Bronze Medal.

8 July

Yves Rocard Prize

The French Physical Society awarded the 2025 Yves Rocard Prize to **Antoine Browaeys**, **Thierry Lahaye**, **Georges-Olivier Reymond**, and **Christophe Jurczak**. The first two are true French pioneers of quantum physics at the Charles Fabry Laboratory (LCF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/IOGS/CNRS), while the latter two contributed to the creation of the company PASQAL.

2 October

French Physical Society Awards

Abel Pires, PhD from Université Paris-Saclay who completed his thesis at the Laboratory of Matter under Extreme Conditions (DAM/LMCE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA), received the Jacques Haïssinski Prize from the French Physical Society (SFP) for his thesis on the optimisation of an X-ray source via inverse Compton scattering on a linear electron accelerator.



Guillaume Ferrand, research engineer at the Laboratory of Hyper-Frequency Accelerator Structure Engineering (Lisah) of the Department of Accelerators, Cryogenics and Magnetism (DACM – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA), received the Jean-Louis Laclare Prize for his body of work and complex projects across a wide range of subjects.



Laurent Le, holder of a PhD from Université Paris-Saclay, who carried out his doctoral research at the Institut des sciences moléculaires d'Orsay (ISMO – Université Paris-Saclay/CNRS), has received the 2024 Treefrog Prize for his innovative contributions to high-precision fluorescence microscopy for living systems.

7 October

2025 Nobel Prize in Physics



The 2025 Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded to British researcher John Clarke, French researcher Michel H. Devoret, and American researcher John Martinis for their work on quantum mechanics by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in Stockholm.

Currently a professor in the United States at the University of Santa Barbara and Emeritus Professor of Applied Physics at Yale University, **Michel Devoret** completed part of his studies, including his doctoral degree, at Université Paris-Saclay. He then spent part of his career at CEA Saclay, where he co-founded the Qunatronics Group with Daniel Estève and Cristian Urbina.

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29 October

2025 Academy of Sciences Awards



Hubert Saleur, CEA researcher at the Institute of Theoretical Physics (IPhT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS) and Professor at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), received the Ampère Prize of Electricity of France.



Louis Fayard, CNRS Emeritus Research Director at the Laboratory of Physics of the Two Infinities – Irène Joliot-Curie (IJCLab – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris-Cité), received the Jaffé Foundation Prize from the Institut de France.



Pierre-Olivier Lagage, CEA Research Director at the Astrophysics Service of the Laboratory Astrophysics, Instrumentation, Modelling (AIM – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS/Univ. Paris-Cité), received the Astrophysics and Space Science Prize.



François Boulogne, CNRS researcher at the Laboratory of Solid-State Physics (LPS – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received the Ivan Peychès Prize.

**LIFE SCIENCES, CLIMATE
& SPACE SCIENCE**

9 April

Sonning Prize

Hervé This, consulting professor at AgroParisTech and INRAE researcher in physical chemistry within the Paris-Saclay Food and Bioproduct Engineering unit (SayFood – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INRAE/AgroParisTech), has received the Sonning Prize from the University of

Copenhagen for his work, which has scientifically challenged and renewed culinary know-how and gastronomy.

11 April

"Best ICOS Ecosystem Station" Award

The **Barbeau Forest Research Station**, a research platform affiliated with the Ecology, Society and Evolution Laboratory (ESE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/AgroParisTech/CNRS), has been awarded the 2025 "Best ICOS Ecosystem Station Award".

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28 April

ScholarGPS® Highly Ranked Scholars™ Ranking

Franck Courchamp, Franck Courchamp, CNRS Research Director at the Ecology, Society and Evolution Laboratory (ESE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/AgroParisTech), was recognised as the world's leading scientist in the field of Invasion Science by the ScholarGPS®

Highly Ranked Scholars™ ranking.

28 April

Participatory Research Award

The participatory science project Vigie-Ciel, co-founded by **Sylvain Bouley**, professor at Université Paris-Saclay, planetary scientist at the Geosciences Paris-Saclay Laboratory (Geops – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS) and Vice-President of the French Astronomical Society, together with Brigitte Zanda, professor at the National Museum of Natural History (MNHN), received the Participatory Research Award awarded by INRAE, in association with the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

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3 July

EMBO Member

Mathilde Grelon, INRAE research director and head of the Meiosis Mechanisms team (MeioMe) at the Jean-Pierre Bourgin Institute (IJPB – Univ. Paris-Saclay/INRAE/AgroParisTech), has been elected as a member of the European Molecular Biology

Organization (EMBO).

30 September

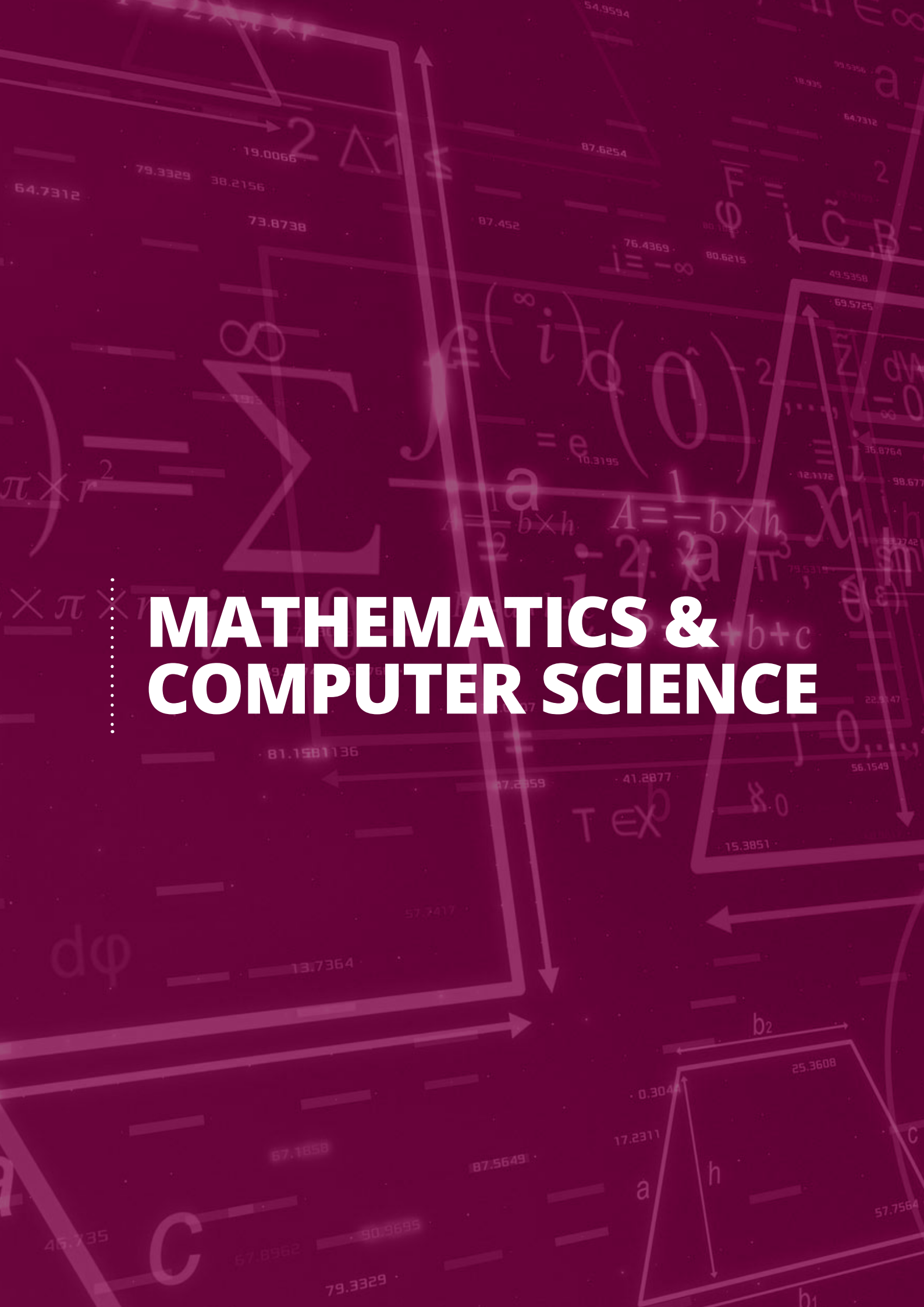
Francis Birch Lecture

Anne Davaille, CNRS Research Director at the Fluids, Automatic Control and Thermal Systems Laboratory (Fast – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS) and a specialist in complex fluid dynamics applied to the evolution of planetary cores, was awarded the Francis Birch Lecture in recognition of her outstanding career, marked by original laboratory experiments that have shed light on fundamental phenomena such as mantle convection, the formation of mantle plumes, and the processes governing planetary evolution.

29 October

2025 Academy of Sciences Award

Benjamin Brigaud, professor at Université Paris-Saclay and researcher at the Geosciences Paris-Saclay Laboratory (Geops – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received the Michel Gouilloud Schlumberger Prize from the Schlumberger Foundation.



MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

16 June

2025 Tangente Prize



Amandine Aftalion, mathematician and CNRS Research Director at the Laboratory of Mathematics of Orsay (LMO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), known for her research on Bose–Einstein condensates and on performance in running, received a Special Mention at

the tenth edition of the Tangente Secondary School Prize for her book “Why Do We Lean into Corners? Sport Explained through Science in 40 Questions”.

16 June

2025 CNRS Medals



Flora Jay, CNRS Research Fellow at the Interdisciplinary Laboratory of Digital Sciences (Lisn – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Inria), received the CNRS Bronze Medal.



Véronique Almadovar, administrator of the Centre Borelli (CB – Univ. Paris-Saclay/ENS Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris-Cité/SSA) and of the Department of Mathematics Education and Research, received the CNRS Crystal Medal.



Mathilde Rousseau, Head of the IT Service and Systems and Network Administrator at the Laboratory of Mathematics of Orsay (LMO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received the CNRS Crystal Medal.



Cyril Verrecchia, graphic designer at the Interdisciplinary Laboratory of Digital Sciences (Lisn – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CentraleSupélec/CNRS/Inria), received the CNRS Crystal Medal.



Valérie Lavallée, technical engineer in Health and Safety at the Paris-Saclay Institute of Neuroscience (NeuroPSI – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received the CNRS Crystal Medal.

25 November

Second Session of the Academy of Sciences Awards



Anne Moreau, professor at Université Paris-Saclay, researcher at the Orsay Mathematics Laboratory (LMO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), director of the Jacques Hadamard Library at LMO, and editor-in-chief of the Panoramas & Synthèses collection, has received the

Section Medal of the French Academy of Sciences for her particularly promising research work.

1 December

Open Science Research Data Awards 2025

During the first day of the National Assises of Research Data (ANDOR), jointly organised by Université Paris-Saclay and the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Space, several projects were awarded the 2025 Open Science prizes (Research Data, Free Software, and Open Science of the Thesis). Two of the winning projects are linked to Université Paris-Saclay:

- The **e-NDP project**, aimed at renewing knowledge of Notre-Dame de Paris through the digital edition of 26 medieval registers, won the Research Data Award in the category “Creating the Conditions for Reuse”. This application was developed at the École nationale des Chartes – PSL and received ANR funding as part of a project coordinated by Université Paris-Saclay.
- The **RPG Explorer project**, aimed at valorising data on agricultural land use from the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), collected annually at the national level, also won the Research Data Award in the category “Creating the Conditions for Reuse”. This project is carried out by a team from INRAE and AgroParisTech.



SPORT

15 March

Badminton World Championships



Éric Wasylyk, director of the University Service for Physical and Sports Activities (Suaps) and a Suaps lecturer at Université Paris-Saclay, took part in the Badminton World Championships held in Pattaya (Thailand), where he won the bronze medal in men's singles in the over-45 category. Éric Wasylyk had already distinguished himself at the French veterans' badminton championships in Tournefeuille (31) in June 2025, winning three medals in men's singles, men's doubles and mixed doubles.

13-21 April

European Weightlifting Championships



Garance Rigaud, a student at ENKRE, became the new European weightlifting champion in the under-55 kg category at the championships held in Chisinau, Moldova. She distinguished herself across all three events, winning a silver medal in the snatch with 92 kg, a silver medal in the clean and jerk with 113 kg, and a gold medal for the total with 205 kg.

24-27 April

U23 European Fencing Championships



Anas Anane, a student at ENKRE, became a double U23 European vice-champion at the championships held in Tallinn, Estonia, in both individual and team foil events.

2-5 June

European Artistic Swimming Championships



Jeanne Clair, a physiotherapy student at ENKRE, won the bronze medal at the European Artistic Swimming Championships held in Madeira, Portugal, in the team technical category.

14-19 June

European Fencing Championships



Sarah Noutcha, a physiotherapy student at ENKRE, excelled at the European Fencing Championships held in Genoa, Italy, winning gold in both the individual and team sabre events, alongside Sara Balzer, Faustine Clapier, and Toscane Tori.

Anas Anane, also a student at ENKRE, won silver in both individual and team foil events.

14-19 June

French Swimming Championships



Maxime Grousset and **Yohann Ndoye-Brouard**, both physiotherapy students at ENKRE, shone at the French Swimming Championships held in

Montpellier. Grousset became a four-time French champion (50 m and 100 m freestyle, 50 m and 100 m butterfly), while Ndoye-Brouard won gold in all three backstroke events (50 m, 100 m, and 200 m).

11 July-3 August

European Swimming Championships

Maxime Grousset, physiotherapy student at ENKRE, became European champion in the 100 m freestyle and 100 m butterfly at the championships held in Lublin, Poland. He also won silver in the 50 m freestyle and 100 m individual medley, as well as bronze in the men's 50 m butterfly.

30 July

World Fencing Championships

Sarah Noutcha, a student at ENKRE, became team sabre world champion alongside Sara Balzer, Faustine Clapier, and Toscane Tori at the championships held in Tbilisi, Georgia.

15-21 September

World Military Fencing Championships

Sarah Noutcha, a physiotherapy student at ENKRE, excelled at the World Military Fencing Championships held in Seville, Spain, winning gold in the sabre event.

5-7 December

World Swimming Championships

Maxime Grousset a physiotherapy student at ENKRE, won 4 of France's 13 medals at the World Swimming Championships held in Singapore, with a double gold in the 50 m and 100 m butterfly, silver in the 4x50 m medley relay alongside Mewen Tomac, Jérémie Delbois, and Clément Secchi, and bronze in the 4x100 m mixed freestyle relay alongside Yann Le Goff, Marie Wattel, and Beryl Gastaldello. In the 100 m butterfly, he delivered an outstanding performance, setting a new European record.

Yohann Ndoye-Brouard, also a physiotherapy student at ENKRE, won two bronze medals in the 100 m and 200 m backstroke events.

14 December

French Judo Championships



Julia Tolofua and **Gaétane Deberdt**, both physiotherapy students at ENKRE, excelled at the French Judo Championships held in Saint-Chamond (42). Julia

Tolofua became French champion in the +78 kg category, while Gaétane Deberdt won the title in the -63 kg category.



EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ERC)

31 January

ERC “Advanced” grants released from the 2023 reserve lists

Two projects led by scientists from Université Paris-Saclay have been awarded ERC “Advanced” grants by the European Research Council, after being released from the 2023 reserve lists:



Jean-François Roch, professor of physics at ENS Paris-Saclay, researcher at the Light, Matter and Interfaces Laboratory (Lumin – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/ENS Paris-Saclay/CentraleSupélec) and co-director of the coordinated research laboratory on quantum sensors

between Lumin and Thales, dedicated to the joint development of quantum sensors and laser devices, has received an ERC “Advanced” grant for his project **QPRESSE**, “Quantum Probes for High-Pressure Superconductivity”.



Laurence Zitvogel, medical oncologist at Gustave Roussy, professor of immunology at Université Paris-Saclay and director of the Tumour Immunology and Cancer Immunotherapy Unit (Itic – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Inserm/Gustave Roussy), will receive an ERC “Advanced”

grant for her project **MADCAM**, “Microbiota-controlled trafficking of immunosuppressive intestinal T cells into cancer”.

17 June

ERC “Advanced” grants

Two projects led by scientists from Université Paris-Saclay have been awarded ERC “Advanced” grants by the European Research Council:



Patrice Bertet, CEA physicist and specialist in superconducting quantum circuits at the Condensed Matter Physics Department (Spec – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), has been awarded an ERC “Advanced” grant for his project **ONESPIN**, “Single-spin magnetic resonance spectroscopy and imaging”.



Mathieu Kociak, CNRS research director at the Solid State Physics Laboratory (LPS – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS) and coordinator of the STEM (Scanning Transmission Electron Microscopes) group, whose activities focus on state-of-the-art electron

microscopy, has been awarded an ERC “Advanced” grant for his project **FreeQCC**, “Free Electrons to Bound Electrons and Photons Quantum Coherent Coupling”.

4 September

ERC “Starting” grants

Eight projects led by scientists from Université Paris-Saclay have been awarded ERC “Starting” grants by the European Research Council:



Lucile Anthore-Dalio, CNRS researcher at the Laboratory of Molecular Chemistry and Catalysis for Energy (LCMCE/Nimbe – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), has received a “Starting” grant for her project **DECAF**, “Carboxylic esters as bifunctional reagents in decarboxylative cross-coupling reactions and alkene functionalisations”.



Matteo Bugli, researcher at the Institut d’astrophysique de Paris, who completed his PhD and a postdoctoral fellowship at the Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship at the Department of Astrophysics (DRF/Irfu – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA), where he will return to begin his **BlackJET** project in March 2026.



Sandrine Codis, CNRS researcher at the Astrophysics, Instrumentation and Modelling Laboratory (AIM – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Paris Cité/CEA/CNRS), has received a “Starting” grant for her project **COLIBRI**, “Cosmic non-linearities: Impact of baryons on cosmological inference with modern galaxy surveys”.



Émilien Fargues, postdoctoral researcher at the Centre for Sociological Research on Law and Penal Institutions (Cesdip – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/Univ. Cergy-Pontoise/CNRS/Ministry of Justice), has received a “Starting” grant for his project **POSTCOLCIT**, “Postcolonial perspectives on citizenship and belonging in former European colonial powers”.



Isabella Boverter, Thales research engineer at the Albert Fert Laboratory (LAF – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Thales/CNRS), has received a “Starting” grant for her project **ARXIMEDES**, “A new platform for exploring magnonics interfaced with ultracold neutral atoms for quantum

information”.



James O’Sullivan, CEA researcher within the Quantronics group of the Condensed Matter Physics Department (Spec – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), has received a “Starting” grant for his project **nQUICHE**, “Nuclear quantum information processing controlled via hyperfine interaction with electrons”.



Julio Parra Martinez, theoretical physicist at the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques – Université Paris-Saclay (IHES), has received a “Starting” grant for his project **GravitaS**, “The gravitational S-matrix: from theory to experiment”.



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12 November

ERC "Synergy" grants

Five projects led by scientists from Université Paris-Saclay have been awarded ERC "Synergy" grants by the European Research Council:



Led by **Philippe Ciais**, researcher at the Laboratory of Climate and Environmental Sciences (LSCE – Univ. Paris-Saclay/UVSQ/CEA/CNRS) and Highly Cited Researcher, together with Gustaf Hugelius (Stockholm University, Sweden), Pierre Friedlingstein (University of Exeter, United Kingdom) and Christina Biasi (University of Innsbruck, Austria), the project **CLIMPEAT**, "Northern Peatlands in the face of climate warming and abrupt changes", has received a "Synergy" grant.



Led by **Olivier Namy**, CNRS research director and head of the Genomics, Structure and Translation team at the Institute for Integrative Biology of the Cell (I2BC – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), together with Leos Valasek (Institute of Microbiology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic), Julius Lukes (Biology Centre, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic) and Mark Osborn (University of Minnesota, United States), the project **3Stops2Go**, "Three Stop Codons to Get Over to Flourish", has received a "Synergy" grant.



Led by **Stéphane Collin**, CNRS research director at the Centre for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology (C2N – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS/Univ. Paris Cité) and author of a guide and a comic strip aimed at informing the public about photovoltaic solar energy, together with Stefan Glunz (Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg, Germany) and Christophe Ballif (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne, Switzerland), the project **UltiMatePV**, "Ultimative Photovoltaics", has received a "Synergy" grant.



Led by **Kirone Mallick**, permanent CEA physicist at the Institute for Theoretical Physics (IPhT – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CEA/CNRS), Olivier Bénichou, CNRS research director at the Laboratory of Theoretical Physics of Condensed Matter (LPTMC – CNRS/Sorbonne University), Aurélien Grabsch, CNRS researcher at LPTMC, and Benjamin Doyon (King's College London, United Kingdom), the project **UniCIPS**, "Universal Equation for Non-Equilibrium Correlations in Interacting Particle Systems", has received an ERC "Synergy" grant.



Led by **Marco Di Renzo**, CNRS research director at the Signals and Systems Laboratory (L2S – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CentraleSupélec/CNRS), together with Giuseppe Caire (Technical University of Berlin, Germany), Andrea Alù (CUNY Advanced Science Research Center, United States) and Christoph Studer (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, Switzerland), the project **WePhiCom**, "Waves, Physics, Information, and Computation", has received an ERC "Synergy" grant.

9 December

ERC Consolidator Grants

Five projects led by scientists affiliated with Université Paris-Saclay have been awarded Consolidator Grants by the European Research Council:



Berislav Buca, researcher at the Laboratory of Theoretical Physics and Statistical Models (LPTMS – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received a grant for his project **EmPhaSys**: "Emergence of quantum information as a phase of matter in non-equilibrium systems".



Antoine Levitt, professor at Université Paris-Saclay and researcher at the Orsay Mathematics Laboratory (LMO – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS), received a grant for his project **TENUMEL**: "Theory and numerics for electronic structure".



Dalimil Mazáč, CEA research director at the Institute of Advanced Scientific Studies (IHES – Université Paris-Saclay), received a grant for his project **HARMONICON**: "Connecting Harmonic Analysis and Conformal Field Theory".



Nataliya Petryk, CNRS researcher in the Genome Integrity and Cancer unit (IGC – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Gustave Roussy/CNRS) and head of the Genome and Epigenome Replication team, received a grant for her project **REGEM**: "REvealing the mechanisms linking Genome replication and Epigenome Maintenance".



Leandro Quadrana, CNRS researcher at the Paris-Saclay Plant Sciences Institute (IPS2 – Univ. Paris-Saclay/Univ. d'Évry/INRAE/CNRS/Univ. Paris-Cité), received a grant for his project **HostEome**: "Interplays and evolutionary dynamics of transposable elements and host proteins".

An illustration on a solid purple background. Two men are shaking hands. The man on the left is wearing a dark suit jacket, a light-colored shirt, and a dark tie. He is standing on a tall stack of gold coins. The man on the right is wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt and dark trousers. He is standing on a large, glowing lightbulb. The word "INNOVATION" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the center of the image. To the left of the word, there is a vertical dotted line.

INNOVATION

17 December

CNRS Innovation Medal

Pascale Senellart, CNRS research director at the Centre for Nanosciences and Nanotechnologies (C2N – Univ. Paris-Saclay/CNRS) and co-founder of the start-up Quandela in 2017 with Niccolò Somaschi and Valérian Giesz, has received one of the four 2025 CNRS Innovation Medals.

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20 February

EIC Accelerator

The European Innovation Council has selected 71 cutting-edge companies from 16 countries to receive blended financing combining grants and equity, as part of the final stage of the EIC Accelerator 2024. Of the five French companies awarded, three have links with the Université Paris-Saclay community.

- Co-founded by **Yann Gaston-Mathé**, an AgroParisTech alumnus, Quentin Perron and Nicolas Do-Huu, the company Iktos will receive blended financing for the AIR-3D project, «Iktos robotics: integrating AI and robotics for efficient drug design and discovery».
- Co-founded by **Maxime Feyeux**, who holds a PhD from Université d'Évry, Kevin Alessandri and Jean-Luc Treillou, the company Treefrog Therapeutics will receive equity investment support for the C-Stem XL project, «ground-breaking path to the XL scale».
- Co-founded by **François Perruchot**, who holds a PhD from Université Paris-Saclay, Maud Vinet and Tristan Meunier, the company Quobly will receive blended financing for the MCQube project, «Breaking barriers in scalable quantum computing».

