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Eight doctors at Paris-Saclay University are awarded the Chancellorie Prize

This year, Paris-Saclay University’s doctors were recognised for their research excellence, with eight awarded prizes from the Chancellorie des Universités de Paris.

Paris-Saclay University’s Doctoral College commends the eight doctors rewarded by the Chancellorie des Universités de Paris for their outstanding theses, all of whom have made significant progress in research across various disciplinary fields. Ranging from 1,000 to 10,000 euros, the prizes stem from donations and bequests to the former Université de Paris.

The eight young doctors from Paris-Saclay University are ambassadors for the diversity and multidisciplinary nature of the scientific work carried out in our various research laboratories:

- **The Halimi Prize** was awarded to **Doctor Myriam Amsallem** for her thesis on ‘Right ventricular remodelling in pulmonary hypertension: from deep phenotyping to proteomics profiling’ [Laboratoire Hypertension Pulmonaire : Physiopathologie et Innovation Thérapeutique (Pulmonary Hypertension: Physiopathology and Therapeutic Innovation Laboratory) - Inserm/Univ. Paris-Saclay].

- **A prize in Literature and Humanities (all fields)** was awarded to **Doctor Coline Arnaud** for her thesis on ‘French pastry (1870-1914): a gastronomic revolution’ [Centre d’Histoire Culturelle des Sociétés Contemporaines (Centre for the Cultural History of Contemporary Societies) - UVSQ].

- **A prize in Oncology** was awarded to **Doctor Florence Coussy** for her thesis on ‘Identification of new targeted therapeutic strategies for the management of breast cancer using a large panel of patient-derived xenografts’ [Service de Génétique, Unité de Pharmacogénomique (Genetics Department, Pharmacogenomics Unit) – Institut Curie].

- **The second prize in Pharmacy** was awarded to **Doctor Diana Lamaa** for her thesis on ‘Design, synthesis and vectorization of isocombretastatin A-4 analogues: exploration of new reactivities of diazo-precursor compounds’ [Laboratoire Biomolécules : Conception, Isolement et Synthèse (Biomolecules: Design, Isolation and Synthesis Laboratory) - CNRS/Univ. Paris-Saclay].

- **A prize in Sciences (all fields)** was awarded to **Doctor Thibault Lefeuvre** for his thesis ‘On the rigidity of Riemannian manifolds’ [Laboratoire de Mathématiques d’Orsay (Orsay Mathematics Laboratory) - CNRS/Univ. Paris-Saclay].

- **A prize in Sciences (all fields)** was awarded to **Doctor Simon Meunier** for his thesis on ‘Optimal design of photovoltaic water pumping systems for rural communities – a technical, economic and social approach’ [Laboratoire de Génie électrique et électronique de Paris (Paris Electrical and Electronic Engineering Laboratory) – CNRS/CentraleSupelec/Univ. Paris-Saclay/Sorbonne Univ.].
- **The first prize in Pharmacy** was awarded to **Doctor Myriam Nabhan** for her thesis on ‘Protein aggregation and immunization: study of dendritic cells maturation and T-cell response’ [Laboratoire Inflammation, Microbiome, Immuosurveillance (Inflammation, Microbiome and Immunosurveillance Laboratory) – Inserm/Univ. Paris-Saclay].

- **A prize in Sciences (all fields)** was awarded to **Doctor Thomas Noblet** for his thesis on ‘Optical study of vibroelectronic coupling at the interface between semiconductor quantum dots and organic molecules’ [Institut de Chimie Physique (Institute of Physical Chemistry) – CNRS/Univ. Paris-Saclay].

Today, Paris-Saclay University represents 13% of French research, strengthening its ranking as the world’s 14th best university in the 2020 Shanghai Rankings and proving yet again its academic excellence.

For more information on the doctoral programmes at Paris-Saclay University: [https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/en/recherche/doctorate](https://www.universite-paris-saclay.fr/en/recherche/doctorate)

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**ABOUT PARIS-SACLAY UNIVERSITY**

Paris-Saclay University brings together ten constituent faculties and institutes, four Grandes Écoles, the Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques, two associate institutions and shared laboratories with national research organisations.

With 48,000 students, 8,100 lecturers and 8,500 administrative and technical staff members, Paris-Saclay offers a comprehensive and varied range of undergraduate to doctorate-level programmes and engineering degrees, renowned for their quality thanks to the reputation and commitment of the university’s academic staff.

Located in the south of Paris on vast sites that stretch across Paris, Orsay, Évry and Versailles, Paris-Saclay University benefits from a strategic geographical and socioeconomic position that is strengthened by its international visibility. A leading university, Paris-Saclay is recognised for its excellent Mathematics and Physics programmes but also for Biological and Medical Sciences, Agriculture, Engineering, and its extensive Humanities and Social Sciences courses. Close to Paris, Paris-Saclay University is nested in a protected natural area, at the very heart of a dynamic economic hub.

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