



Rector's Decree. n. 55/2026 prot. n. 15895 - 19.01.2026

PUBLIC SELECTION FOR THE AWARD, PURSUANT TO ART. 22 TER OF LAW NO. 240 OF 30.12.2010 AND THE RELATED UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS, WITHIN THE "LevoNano-IPF" RESEARCH PROGRAM, OF N. 1 RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT, LASTING 24 MONTHS, ENTITLED "PHARMACEUTICAL DEVELOPMENT OF A HIGHLY RESPIRABLE LEVOTHYROXINE POWDER", GSD 03/CHEM-08 TECHNOLOGY, SOCIOECONOMICS AND REGULATIONS OF MEDICINES AND PRODUCTS FOR WELL-BEING AND HEALTH, SSD CHEM-08/A TECHNOLOGY, SOCIOECONOMICS AND REGULATIONS OF MEDICINES AND PRODUCTS FOR WELL-BEING AND HEALTH, AT THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUG SCIENCES - CUP D93C25000140005

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HAVING REGARD to the Statute of the University of Parma;

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 168 of 9 May 1989 "Establishment of the Ministry of Universities and Scientific and Technological Research" concerning, among other things, the autonomy of universities;

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 241 of 7 August 1990 on "New rules on administrative procedure and the right of access to administrative documents";

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 104 of 5 February 1992, as amended, on the "Framework law for assistance, social integration and the rights of disabled people" and, in particular, art. 20;

HAVING REGARD TO Prime Ministerial Decree no. 174 of 7 February 1994, containing rules on the access of citizens of the Member States of the European Union to jobs in public administrations;

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 68 of 12 March 1999, as amended, on "Regulations for the right to work for the disabled";

HAVING REGARD to Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000, containing the "Consolidated Law on administrative documentation";

HAVING REGARD to Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30 June 2003 "Personal Data Protection Code", as amended by Legislative Decree no. 101 of 10 August 2018, as well as Regulation (EU) no. 2016/679 "General Regulation on the Protection of Personal Data";

HAVING REGARD to Legislative Decree no. 198 of 11 April 2006 "Code of equal opportunities between men and women";

HAVING REGARD to Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010 on "Regulations on the organisation of universities, academic staff and recruitment, as well as delegation to the Government to encourage the quality and efficiency of the university system";

HAVING REGARD to Regulation (EU) 2021/241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2021, published in the Official Journal of the European Union L57 of 18 February 2021, establishing the Recovery and Resilience Facility of the European Union;

HAVING REGARD to Ministerial Decree no. 639 of the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) of 2 May 2024, concerning the determination of scientific-disciplinary groups and related declarations, as well as the rationalisation and updating of scientific-disciplinary sectors and the reduction of the latter to scientific-disciplinary groups, pursuant to art. 15 of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010;

HAVING REGARD to the D.D. Ministry of University and Research (MUR) no. 15246 of 28 October 2024, which approved the funding of no. 7 (seven) projects with Italian participation, selected for funding by the EU co-funded Partnership ERA4Health, call "Nano and advanced technologies for disease prevention, diagnostic and therapy" (NANOTECMEC), including the following:

Project Title	Acronym
Reactivating Mitochondrial Function: A Novel Therapeutic Paradigm for Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Using Levothyroxine Nanoparticles in Respirable Powder	LevoNano-IPF

HAVING REGARD to Decree-Law No. 45 of 7 April 2025 on "Further urgent provisions on the implementation of the measures of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan and for the start of the 2025/2026 school year", converted with



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amendments by Law No. 79 of 5 June 2025, and, in particular, Article 1-bis amending Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010, introducing articles 22-bis and 22-ter;

HAVING REGARD to the Decree of the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) no. 592 of 6 August 2025, published on 10 September 2025, defining the minimum salary of post-doc appointments and research assignments, pursuant to art. 22-bis and 22-ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010;

RECALLED the resolution of the Board of Directors no. CDA/30-10-2025/389 of 30 October 2025 which, among other things, determined the remuneration for research assignments;

RECALLED the current "*Regulations for the awarding of research contracts, post-doc appointments and research assignments pursuant to articles 22, 22 bis and 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010*", issued with Rector's Decree no. 1851/2025, prot. 314523 of November 7, 2025;

RECALLED the Decree of the Director of the Department of Food and Drug no. 407/2025 prot. no. 7466 of 17.12.2025, adopted for reasons of necessity and urgency and submitted for ratification at the first useful meeting of the Department Council, transmitted with prot. note no. 343678 of 17.12.2025, with which it was approved, pursuant to art. 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30.12.2010, the activation, as part of the "LevoNano-IPF" research program, of no. 1 research assignment, with a duration of 24 months, entitled "*Pharmaceutical development of a highly respirable levothyroxine powder*", framed in the Scientific Disciplinary Group (GDS) 03/CHEM-08 Technology, socioeconomics and regulations of medicines and products for well-being and health, Scientific Disciplinary Sector (SSD) CHEM-08 Technology, socioeconomics and legislation of medicines and products for well-being and health, and of which the Scientific Coordinator is Prof. Ruggero Bettini;

CONSIDERING that the coverage of the total cost of the research assignment, placed in the IR-B BAND, equal to 66,614.00 euros, entirely financed by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR), will be borne by the accounting project "BETT_R_24_UELEVONANO-IPF_01", which has the necessary economic availability, as certified by the Department of Food and Drug itself;

RECOGNISING the need to launch the above-mentioned recruitment procedure;

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- ART. 1 -

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC SELECTION

A selection procedure is announced, **through comparative evaluation, for the assignment of n. 1 research assignment, with a duration of 24 months, pursuant to art. 22 ter of Law 30.12.2010 n. 240 and the related University Regulations**, aimed at introducing young scholars to research and innovation, as specified below:

GRUPPO SCIENTIFICO DISCIPLINARE / SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINARY GROUP	
(ITA) 03/CHEM-08	Tecnologia, socioeconomia e normativa dei medicinali e dei prodotti per il benessere e per la salute
(ENG) 03/CHEM-08	Technology, socioeconomics, and regulation of medicinal products and health and well-being products
SETTORE SCIENTIFICO DISCIPLINARE / SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINARY SECTOR	
(ITA) CHEM-08/A	Tecnologia, socioeconomia e normativa dei medicinali e dei prodotti per il benessere e per la salute
(ENG) CHEM-08/A	Technology, socioeconomics, and regulation of medicinal products and health and well-being products
TITOLO PROGRAMMA DI RICERCA / TITLE OF RESEARCH PROGRAM	
(ITA)	Riattivare la funzione mitocondriale: un nuovo paradigma terapeutico per la fibrosi polmonare idiopatica. Utilizzo di nanoparticelle di levotiroxina in polvere respirabile - LevoNano-IPF



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(ENG) Reactivating Mitochondrial Function: a Novel Therapeutic Paradigm for Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Using Levothyroxine Nanoparticles in Respirable Powder- LevoNano-IPF

DESCRIZIONE DEL PROGRAMMA DI RICERCA / DESCRIPTION OF THE RESEARCH PROGRAM

(ITA) Il progetto ha l'obiettivo di definire un nuovo paradigma terapeutico per il trattamento della fibrosi polmonare idiopatica attraverso una terapia innovativa volta a riattivare la funzione mitocondriale delle cellule epiteliali polmonari utilizzando nanoparticelle di levotiroxina sotto forma di polvere secca per inalazione. Partendo da promettenti dati preliminari ottenuti *in vitro* con una nanoformulazione innovativa, l'obiettivo è di completare lo sviluppo farmaceutico e preclinico, per accelerare il trasferimento di questo approccio innovativo alla pratica clinica. Gli obiettivi principali del progetto sono: lo sviluppo farmaceutico di una polvere altamente respirabile contenente nanocristalli di levotiroxina; l'ottimizzazione del processo di produzione della nanoformulazione di levotiroxina per guidare la cattura delle particelle verso le cellule epiteliali polmonari evitando la clearance macrofagica.

(ENG) The project has the objective of shaping a new therapeutic paradigm for the treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis through an innovative therapy aimed at reactivating the mitochondrial function of lung epithelial cells using levothyroxine nanoparticles in the form of dry powder for inhalation. Starting from promising preliminary data obtained *in vitro* with an innovative nanoformulation, the intention is to complete the pharmaceutical and preclinical development, to accelerate the translation of this innovative approach towards clinical practice. The main goals of the project are: the pharmaceutical development of a highly respirable powder containing levothyroxine nanocrystals; the optimization of the production process of levothyroxine nanoformulation to drive the particle capture toward lung epithelial cell avoiding macrophagic clearance.

RESPONSABILE DELLA RICERCA e TUTOR / RESEARCH MANAGER and TUTOR

Prof. Ruggero Bettini

TITOLO DELL'INCARICO OGGETTO DELLA SELEZIONE / TITLE OF THE POSITION SUBJECT TO THE SELECTION

(ITA) Sviluppo farmaceutico di una polvere di levotiroxina altamente respirabile

(ENG) Pharmaceutical development of a highly respirable levothyroxine powder

OBIETTIVI OGGETTO DELL'INCARICO / OBJECTIVES COVERED BY THE ASSIGNMENT

(ITA) Studio, sviluppo e caratterizzazione di sistemi nanoformulati in forma di polveri somministrabili per via inalatoria destinate alla terapia della fibrosi polmonare idiopatica ed in grado di massimizzare la penetrazione delle particelle nelle cellule epiteliali polmonari evitando la cattura macrofagica.

(ENG) Study, development and characterization of nanoformulated systems in the form of inhaled powders intended for the treatment of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and capable of maximizing particle penetration into pulmonary epithelial cells while avoiding macrophage capture.

PRINCIPALI ATTIVITÀ DI ASSISTENZA ALLA RICERCA OGGETTO DELL'INCARICO / MAIN RESEARCH ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES COVERED BY THE ASSIGNMENT

(ITA)

- 1) Messa a punto di nuove polveri inalabili contenenti levotiroxina
- 2) Caratterizzazione tecnologica di nuove polveri inalabili contenenti levotiroxina

(ENG)

- 1) Development of new inhalable powders containing levothyroxine
- 2) Technological characterization of new inhalable powders containing levothyroxine study

DURATA DELL'INCARICO / DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

(ITA) 24 MESI / **(ENG)** 24 MONTHS



IMPORTO LORDO PERCIPIENTE ANNUO / GROSS ANNUAL RECEIVING AMOUNT	
27.000,00 € / anno	
SEDE PRINCIPALE DI SVOLGIMENTO DELLE ATTIVITÀ / MAIN PLACE OF THE ACTIVITIES	
(ITA) Dipartimento di Scienze degli Alimenti e del Farmaco – Università di Parma (ENG) Department of Food and Drug – University of Parma	
CONOSCENZE LINGUISTICHE RICHIESTE / LANGUAGE SKILLS REQUIRED	
(ITA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lingua _Inglese – corrispondente al Livello B2 QCER• In aggiunta, per candidati stranieri: adeguata conoscenza della lingua ITALIANA (ENG) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English Language – corresponding to the Level B2 QCER• In addition, for foreign candidates: adequate knowledge of the ITALIAN language	
NUMERO MASSIMO DI PUBBLICAZIONI PRESENTABILI / MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS THAT CAN BE SUBMITTED	
(ITA) 4 (quattro) / (ENG) 4 (four)	
CODICE UNICO PROGETTO (CUP) / UNIQUE PROJECT CODE (CUP)	
D93C25000140005	
COSTO COMPLESSIVO DELL'INCARICO DI RICERCA / TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT	
66.614,00 €	
FONTI e/o ENTE DI FINANZIAMENTO / SOURCES and/or FUNDING BODY	
(ITA) Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca (MUR) (ENG) Ministry of University and Research (MUR)	
PROGETTO SU CUI IMPUTARE IL COSTO DELL'INCARICO DI RICERCA / PROJECT TO WHICH THE COST OF THE RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT IS TO BE CHARGED	
ACCOUNTING PROJECT	AMOUNT
BETT_R_24_UE_LEVONANO-IPF_01	66.614,00 €

- ART. 2 -

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR SELECTION

Italian and/or foreign candidates who, **on the date of expiry of the deadline for submitting applications**, meet the following requirements are eligible to participate in the selection process:

1) Master's Degree (LM) or single-cycle, belonging to one of the following classes:

- LM - 9 MEDICAL, VETERINARY AND PHARMACEUTICAL BIOTECHNOLOGY
- LM - 13 PHARMACY & INDUSTRIAL PHARMACY

or equivalent/equivalent qualification, provided that it **has been obtained for no more than 6 (six) years**.

The **qualification obtained abroad** must be official in the university system of reference, issued by an institution officially accredited in the country of origin, and must be recognized by the Selection Committee, in terms of nature, level and disciplinary correspondence, as equivalent to the Italian qualifications indicated above, for the sole purpose of awarding the research assignment covered by this call. In foreign university systems that provide for a single course of study that integrates the master's degree and the doctorate and that issue a unitary degree, the Selection Committee assesses the correspondence of the qualification, even if it is of a higher level.

Candidates in possession of a qualification obtained abroad can participate in the selection by opting for one of the following alternatives:



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- a) attaching, if already possessed, a copy of the provision of academic recognition (former equivalence), with which the foreign qualification in Italy was conferred, assimilating it on a one-off basis to the Italian qualification required by the call for applications and allowing all the uses related to it, issued by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) pursuant to art. 74 of Presidential Decree no. 382/1980 or, after 1 March 2022, by an Italian university or other Italian higher education institution pursuant to art. 38, paragraph 3.2, of Legislative Decree no. 165/2001¹;
- b) attaching the degree certificate with the list of exams taken (*Transcript of Records*) translated and legalized² *or* Diploma Supplement and, if available, the Declaration of value on site by the Italian diplomatic-consular representation competent for the territory *or* the certificates issued by CIMEA, the Italian ENIC-NARIC center, for evaluation by the Selection Committee for the purposes of equivalence of the Title.

2) scientific-professional curriculum suitable for assisting in carrying out research activities, which will be evaluated by the Selection Committee.

In addition, foreign citizens must have adequate knowledge of the Italian language.

Those who not eligible to participate in the selection process are:

- a) belong to the permanent staff of universities, public research bodies and institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD pursuant to Article 74, fourth paragraph, of Presidential Decree No. 382 of 11 July 1980;
- b) have a relationship of kinship or affinity, up to and including the 4th degree, with a professor belonging to the structure that proposed the activation of the position, or with the Rector, the Director General or a member of the University Board of Directors;
- c) have benefited from fixed-term Researcher contracts pursuant to Article 24 of Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010, in the version in force after the date of entry into force of Legislative Decree No. 36 of 30 April 2022, converted, with amendments, by Law No. 79 of 29 June 2022 (RTT);
- d) have benefited from research assignments pursuant to art. 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010, even with different institutions, for a period that, added to the duration of the assignment put out for tender, exceeds a total of 3 (three) years, even if not continuous with the exception of assignments conferred under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) program. For the purposes of the duration of the aforementioned relationships, periods spent on maternity or paternity leave or for health reasons according to current legislation are not relevant;
- e) have held positions referred to in Articles 22, 22-bis, 22-ter and 24 of Law 240/2010, including with different universities, state, non-state or telematic, with institutions of Higher Education in the Arts, Music and Dance, with institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD pursuant to Article 74, fourth paragraph, of Presidential Decree 382/1980, and with public research institutions, for a period that, added to the duration of the assignment put out for tender, exceeds a total of 11 (eleven) years, even if not continuous. For the purposes of the duration of the aforementioned relationships, periods spent on maternity leave or for health reasons according to current legislation are not relevant;
- f) are excluded from the enjoyment of civil and political rights (for foreign citizens or those who do not hold refugee or subsidiary protection status, the enjoyment of civil and political rights refers to the country of citizenship).

The prescribed requirements must be met on the date of expiry of the deadline for submitting applications for admission to the selection.

Candidates are admitted to the selection with reservations. Exclusion from the selection procedure for lack of requirements or for declarations made pursuant to Presidential Decree 445/2000 that are untrue may be ordered at

¹ For more information on the academic recognition procedure (*formerly equivalence*), please see:
<https://www.mur.gov.it/it/aree-tematiche/universita/equipollenze-equivalenza-ed-equiparazioni-tra-titoli-di-studio/titoli-0>

² For information on legalization, please refer to [the website of the Ministry of University and Research](#)



any time, even after the selection has been carried out, with a reasoned Decree of the Rector. The exclusion will be notified directly to the interested party.

The Administration guarantees equality and equal opportunities between men and women for access to work and treatment in the workplace.

- ART. 3 -

APPLICATION FORM, TERMS AND METHODS OF SUBMISSION

The application for participation in the selection, together with the attachments, must be submitted, under penalty of exclusion, electronically, using the dedicated IT platform "PICA", available at the following address:

<https://pica.cineca.it/unipr/2026idr001>

In this regard, candidates are invited to consult the [Guidelines](#) for filling out the application available at the same address.

The procedure for filling in and sending the application form electronically, including any documentation required, must be completed no later than 11.59 p.m. (Italian time) on the 15th (fifteenth) day, starting from the day following that of the publication of this decree on the University on-line notice board. If the deadline indicated falls on a public holiday, the deadline is extended to the first working day.

The date of electronic submission of the application for participation in the selection will be certified by the PICA system; The receipt of the application and its subsequent registration will be notified to the candidate by means of two separate e-mail messages.

Each application will be assigned a unique identification number (application ID) and a protocol number visible within the application; for each subsequent communication, the application ID must be used together with the selection code **2026idr001**.

Other forms of sending applications or documentation useful for participation in the selection are not allowed.

The computerized procedure for submitting applications and attachments will be deactivated strictly at the end of the deadline and the computer system will no longer allow access to the *form*, nor the submission of the application.

In the event that the IT procedure described is unavailable, the University of Parma reserves the right to communicate through its website, alternative methods for submitting applications for participation in the selection.

The online application form must be completed in all its parts, as indicated in the procedure; The required documents can only be attached in pdf format.

Under penalty of exclusion, the application must be signed by the candidate in one of the ways specified in the guidelines.

Within the deadline of the call, the candidate can withdraw his/her application using the PICA system; the receipt of the withdrawal application and its registration will be notified to the candidate by means of two separate e-mail messages. After the deadline of the call, any waiver to participate in the selection, signed and dated, must be promptly communicated to protocollo@unipr.it or protocollo@pec.unipr.it together with a copy of an identity document, specifying the application ID together with the selection code.

To report problems of a purely technical nature, you can contact support via the link at the bottom of the <https://pica.cineca.it/unipr> page.

In the application, the candidate must indicate the domicile elected for the purposes of the selection, as well as a telephone number and e-mail address for communications from the University Administration.

Any changes must be promptly communicated to this University by e-mail to the following address: concorso@unipr.it.

Furthermore, the Administration does not assume responsibility for the failure to receive communications, due to inaccurate indications from the competitor or from failure or late communication of the change of addresses and



contact details indicated in the application, nor for any computer errors, in any case attributable to third parties, fortuitous events or force majeure.

After the expiry of the deadline of this call, no documentary integration will be admitted.

In the application for admission, the candidate must declare, under penalty of exclusion from the competition and under his/her own personal responsibility and awareness of the criminal sanctions provided for false declarations, pursuant to Presidential Decree no. 445/2000:

- a) surname, first name and tax code;
- b) luogo e la data di nascita;
- c) cittadinanza posseduta;
- d) residence with the indication of municipality, street, house number, province and postal code and, for the purposes of communications by the University Administration in relation to this selection, a telephone number and an e-mail address and the domicile elected for the purposes of the selection. Any change in residence/domicile must be promptly communicated to the following address: concorsipta@unipr.it
- e) if an Italian citizen, the municipality in which she is registered, or the reasons for non-registration or cancellation from the same lists;
- f) if an Italian citizen or foreigner, to have adequate knowledge of the Italian language and to enjoy civil and political rights also in the countries of origin or origin;
- g) possession of the qualification required for admission to the selection procedure;
- h) that they have not been convicted of any criminal offences, even if they are not final, and that they do not have any criminal proceedings in progress, in Italy or abroad; otherwise, the convictions, the proceedings against them and any criminal record must be indicated, specifying the date of the measure and the judicial authority that issued it or the one before which any criminal proceedings are pending. The existence of a previous criminal conviction is not in itself an obstacle to the stipulation of the private law contract and it will be the responsibility of the Administration to ascertain the existence of the moral and aptitude requirements to carry out the activity;
- i) not to belong to the tenured staff, hired on a permanent basis, of universities, public research bodies and institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD pursuant to art. 74, fourth paragraph, of Presidential Decree no. 382 of 11 July 1980;
- j) not to have a family or affinity relationship, up to and including the 4th degree, with a professor belonging to the Department who proposed the activation of the position, with the Rector, the Director General or a member of the Board of Directors of the University;
- k) that they have not benefited from fixed-term researcher contracts referred to in Article 24 of Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010, in the version in force after the date of entry into force of Legislative Decree No. 36 of 30 April 2022, converted, with amendments, by Law No. 79 of 29 June 2022 (RTT);
- l) not to have benefited from research assignments pursuant to art. 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010, for a period that, added to the duration of the assignment advertised, exceeds a total of 3 (three) years, even if not continuous, with the exception of assignments conferred under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) program, taking into account that, for the purposes of the duration of the aforementioned relationships, periods spent on maternity or paternity leave or for health reasons according to current legislation are not relevant;
- m) not to have held positions referred to in Articles 22, 22-bis, 22-ter and 24 of Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010, including with different universities, state, non-state or telematic, with institutions of Higher Education in the Arts, Music and Dance, with institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD pursuant to Article 74, fourth paragraph, of Presidential Decree 382/1980, and with public research bodies, for a period that, added to the duration of the assignment put out for tender, exceeds a total of 11 (eleven) years, even if not continuous, taking into account that, for the purposes of the duration of the aforementioned relationships, periods spent on maternity leave or for health reasons according to current legislation are not relevant;
- n) that the copies of the accompanying publications and of the documents and titles submitted are true to their originals;



o) that what is stated in their *curriculum vitae*, attached to the application, is true;

Pursuant to art. 3 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, citizens of non-EU countries, legally residing in Italy, can use the substitute declarations only for:

- states, facts and qualities that can be certified or attested by Italian public bodies, without prejudice to the special provisions contained in the laws and regulations concerning the discipline of immigration and the condition of foreigners;
- states, facts and qualities that can be certified or attested in application of international conventions between Italy and the country of origin of the declarant, indicating the Convention invoked and the act by which it was transposed into Italian law.

Apart from the above-mentioned cases, the states, personal qualities and facts are documented by certificates or attestations issued by the competent authority of the foreign State, accompanied by a translation into Italian authenticated by the Italian consular authority certifying their conformity to the original.

Candidates with disabilities and/or disabilities recognized pursuant to Law no. 104 of 5 February 1992 and Law no. 68 of 12 March 1999, in the application form, must explicitly request the necessary assistance to be able to take the interview, in relation to their disability, to be documented, by means of a suitable certificate issued by the medical-legal commission of the ASL of reference or by an equivalent public structure. Failure to indicate in the application the request for aids and tools, as well as failure to submit the required documentation, exempt the Administration from any obligation in this regard. The request must be drawn up following the instructions available in the online application procedure for participation in the competition procedure.

The University assumes no responsibility in the event of the candidate's unavailability or for the dispersion of communications due to inaccurate indication of the address by the candidate or failure or late communication of the change of address indicated in the application, nor for any postal or telegraphic errors not attributable to the Administration itself.

- ART. 4 -

ATTACHMENTS TO THE APPLICATION FORM

The application must be accompanied by the following attachments, in a non-modifiable format (pdf):

- a) ***curriculum vitae***, having the value of self-certification, pursuant to Presidential Decree 445/2000³, drawn up according to the European format, duly dated and signed, containing the explicit and articulated statement of the scientific and professional activity;
- b) **the detailed list, dated and signed, containing an indication of the qualifications, publications (in the maximum number envisaged) and other scientific products relevant to the research activity** that the candidate considers to be submitted to the Selection Committee for evaluation;
- c) **the titles, publications (in the maximum number provided for and with the characteristics set out below), as well as the other scientific products relevant to the research activity**, mentioned in the list referred to in point b), with the characteristics set out below;
- d) copy of a **valid identity document (front and back)** with visible signature, even for those signed with a digital signature. Those who are citizens of a European Union country must present their passport, or an identity document issued by the country of origin. Applicants from non-EU countries must present only their passport.
- e) any **other documentation** required upon the occurrence of any specific conditions provided for in the announcement.

Only what is actually attached to the application form can be assessed, as long as it is contained in files that are not damaged and/or illegible.

³ In this case, the *curriculum vitae* must contain the following wording: "Pursuant to and for the purposes of articles 46 and 47 and aware of the criminal sanctions provided for by article 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28 December 2000 in the event of falsity in deeds and false declarations, I declare that the information contained in this *curriculum vitae*, drawn up in European format, correspond to the truth."



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All publications must already be published by the deadline for the submission of the application for admission. Titles, publications, as well as other scientific products related to the research activity, sent after the same deadline or in a number greater than the maximum allowed, will not be taken into consideration.

Documents drawn up in a foreign language must be accompanied by an Italian translation, certified as conforming to the foreign text by the competent diplomatic or consular representation, or by an official translator, in accordance with current legislation. An exception is made for publications in English, for which translation into Italian is not necessary.

- ART. 5 -

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee, established pursuant to art. 56 of the *"Regulations for the awarding of research contracts, post-doc appointments and research assignments pursuant to articles 22, 22 bis and 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010"*, is appointed by Decree of the Rector, on the proposal of the Department Council.

- ART. 6 -

SELECTION MODE

The selection is carried out through a **comparative evaluation of the candidates** through the examination of qualifications, publications and other scientific products, as well as the carrying out of an **interview** useful to ascertain the aptitude and suitability for research, as well as the language skills, of the candidates themselves.

For the evaluation of each candidate, the Selection Committee has a **maximum of 100 points available**, divided on the basis of the following criteria:

Evaluation criteria	Maximum score that can be awarded
a) relevance and relevance of titles, publications and other scientific products, in relation to the activities covered by the assignment	40 points
b) interview aimed at ascertaining the aptitude and suitability to carry out the activity covered by the assignment, as well as the knowledge of English and/or other languages relevant to the research activities to be carried out	60 points

The Selection Committee, before examining the applications, analytically declines the aforementioned evaluation criteria, published on the University website at the address <https://www.unipr.it/bandi-incarichi-di-ricerca>, in the section dedicated to this procedure, as well as the methods of evaluation of the same in order to assign the relative scores.

Candidates who have obtained a score of at least 25 (twenty-five) points in the evaluation of qualifications, publications and other scientific products are admitted to the interview.

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, together with the score obtained by them in the evaluation of qualifications, publications and other scientific products, will be published by publishing a specific notice on the University website (link: <https://www.unipr.it/bandi-incarichi-di-ricerca>), in the section dedicated to this procedure, with the value of notification to all interested parties, on **11 FEBRUARY 2026**.

The interview, in public form, will take place according to the following **calendar**:

Date and time	Procedure	Location
FEBRUARY 13, 2026 11:00 a.m.	In presence (*)	University of Parma Department of Food and Drug Via delle Scienze 27/A, 43124, Parma https://saf.unipr.it/ → Plesso di Farmacia, Pad. 8, Aula F

(*) The public form that distinguishes the interview will be guaranteed by allowing anyone to be able to attend it at the time of its performance.



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For the purposes of identification and under penalty of exclusion from the selection procedure, each candidate is required, before the interview begins, to identify himself/herself, by showing a suitable identification document. Those who are citizens of a European Union country must present their passport, or an identity document issued by the country of origin. Applicants from non-EU countries must present only their passport.

The absence of the candidate from the interview will be considered as a waiver of the procedure, whatever the cause.

Once the evaluation has been concluded, the Commission shall draw up a merit ranking list for each candidate, on the basis of the criteria referred to in points a) and b) above, in descending order and identify the winner of the selection. The judgment of the Commission is final on the merits.

The selection is considered passed with a minimum score of 70 (seventy) points out of a total of 100 (one hundred).

The research assignment is awarded to the candidate who has obtained the highest overall score according to the order of the final ranking. In the event of equal merit, the candidate of the youngest age is preferred.

The ranking list remains in force for 12 (twelve) months from the date of approval of the acts.

- ART. 7 -

APPROVAL OF THE ACTS OF THE SELECTION PROCEDURE

The acts of the selection procedure are approved by Rector's Decree, published on the *online Register* and on the website of the University of Parma in the section dedicated to the procedure, which can be reached via a link to the <https://www.unipr.it/bandi-incarichi-di-ricerca> address, which will declare the winner under a condition precedent of the verification of the requirements for the assignment of the appointment. The deadline for any appeals runs from the day of publication of this decree.

The ranking list remains in force for 12 (twelve) months, starting from the date of approval of the acts, without prejudice to compliance with all the requirements for activating the research assignment. No declarations of eligibility for selection will be made.

In the event of renunciation or forfeiture due to non-acceptance within the deadline set by the Administration, the search assignment may be assigned to another candidate who has been found suitable according to the order of the respective ranking. The scrolling of the ranking, in this case, is ordered by Decree of the Rector.

During the validity of the ranking list, in the presence of further justified needs relating to the performance of the same research project, the Department Council may propose to the Rector the assignment of additional research assignments to candidates duly placed in the ranking list, provided that the availability of the relevant financial coverage has been ascertained.

- ART. 8 -

ASSIGNMENT OF THE RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

The assignment of the research assignment takes place through the stipulation of a fixed-term private law contract, with a duration of 24 months, containing the rights and duties of the parties, to be signed within the term set by the University.

The private law contract is signed by the person declared "winner" or "winner" and by the Rector.

When concluding the private law contract, the interested party is invited to submit the documentation required under current legislation. Failure to deliver or incomplete delivery or failure to regularise it, within the prescribed deadline, will result in the forfeiture of the right to confer the assignment.

Citizens of non-European Union countries in order to sign the private law contract, for the purpose of taking up employment, must certify the regularity of their position regarding their stay in Italy, pursuant to the current provisions on immigration (Legislative Decree 286/1998).



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In the case of a PhD qualification obtained abroad, for the signing of the private law contract, the winner must provide a declaration of value with a legalized⁴ and translated *diploma or legalized Diploma Supplement*⁵ or certificates issued by CIMEA, the Italian center ENIC-NARIC.

Those who, within the deadline set by the University, do not declare that they accept it or do not sign the relevant private law contract forfeit the right to the conferral of the research assignment.

The holding of research contracts does not in any way constitute an employment relationship and does not confer any right to access the role of universities, public research bodies and institutions whose scientific specialization diploma has been recognized as equivalent to the title of PhD pursuant to Article 74, fourth paragraph, of Presidential Decree no. 382 of 11 July 1980, nor can it be taken into account for the purposes of Article 20 of Legislative Decree no. 75 of 25 May 2017.

- ART. 9 -

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE HOLDER OF A RESEARCH ASSIGNMENT

The holder of the research assignment carries out the research assistance activities in conditions of autonomy and without preordained working hours, within the limits of the research program and the indications provided by the Tutor, under whose supervision and direction he is placed.

The holder of a research assignment is required to:

- submit, normally every six months and, in any case, at the end of the report, to the Department Council a detailed report on the activities carried out, endorsed by the Tutor;
- comply with the regulations of protection and safety in the workplace, including in the health field, in force at the University;
- to observe and comply with all the provisions of the University Code of Ethics, the Code of Conduct for public employees adopted by Presidential Decree no. 62 of 16 April 2013 and the University Code of Conduct;
- the provisions contained in the private law contract stipulated at the time of the assignment itself.

The violation by the holder of the assignment of the obligations deriving from the Code of Conduct for public employees may result in the termination of the private law contract and the consequent termination of the research assignment.

The activity of the holder of the assignment is carried out at the headquarters of the structure concerned, without prejudice to the missions or off-site activities envisaged by the research project and/or those previously authorized by the reference tutor, the Research Manager and approved by the Council of the structure itself.

The University provides the holder of the assignment with the necessary support for the realization of the activity subject to the assignment, guaranteeing access to the premises, equipment and the use of technical-administrative services, compatibly with its organization, with the needs and with the resources available for the specific research program.

- ART. 10 -

INCOMPATIBILITY

The research assignment is not compatible with:

- a) the attendance of bachelor's, master's or master's degree courses, research doctorates or specializations in the medical area, in Italy or abroad, without prejudice to the possibility of implementing specific European Union research funding programs as part of the actions related to the Marie Skłodowska-Curie program (MSCA);
- b) the holder of PhD scholarships or other scholarships, for any reason, conferred by national or foreign institutions, except in the case where these are aimed at international mobility for research reasons;
- c) the ownership, also at other universities or public research institutions, of a research grant, of a research contract awarded pursuant to art. 22 of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010, of post-doc assignment conferred pursuant to

⁴ For information on legalization, please refer to [the website of the Ministry of University and Research](#)

⁵ Refer to the previous point



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art. 22 bis of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010, as well as a fixed-term Researcher contract pursuant to art. 24 of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010;

d) any other employment relationship, including part-time or fixed-term, with public and private entities.

- ART. 11 -

ECONOMIC, FISCAL, SOCIAL SECURITY AND INSURANCE TREATMENT

The holder of the research assignment shall be paid, for the entire duration of the private law contract, the gross annual amount indicated in Article 1 of this call, determined in relation to the commitment required and the complexity of the activities to be carried out. The amount is attributed to the holder of the office in monthly installments of the same amount.

In tax matters, the provisions of art. 4 of Law no. 476 of 13.08.1984 and subsequent amendments and additions. (Assignments exempt from IRPEF).

In the field of social security, the provisions of art. 2, paragraphs 26 et seq. of Law no. 335 of 08.08.1995 and subsequent amendments and additions. The holder of the research assignment is responsible for registering with the INPS separate management.

With regard to compulsory maternity leave, the provisions of the Decree of the Minister of Labour and Social Security of 12 July 2007, published in the Official Gazette no. 247 of 23 October 2007, apply. During the period of compulsory maternity leave, the allowance paid by INPS, pursuant to Article 5 of the aforementioned Decree of 12 July 2007, is supplemented by the University or by the funding body up to the full amount of the research assignment.

With regard to sick leave, Article 1, paragraph 788, of Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006 applies.

The University provides insurance coverage for accidents and civil liability towards third parties in the performance of research activities.

- ART. 12 -

PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROCEDURE AND RIGHT OF ACCESS TO DOCUMENTS

Pursuant to Law no. 241 of 7.08.1990 and subsequent amendments and additions:

Responsible Administration	Università di Parma
Subject-matter of the proceedings	Selection procedure for the assignment of research assignments pursuant to art. 22 ter of Law 240/2010 and the related University Regulations
Office, digital domicile and Responsible for the procedure	Personnel and Organization Area / U.O. Recruitment PEC: protocollo@pec.unipr.it Avv. Anna Maria Perta
Modalità per prendere visione degli atti ed esercitare i diritti previsti dalla legge 241/1990 e s.m.	To exercise the right of access to procedural documents, a request must be sent to the University protocol using the form available on the website (link: https://www.unipr.it/node/12548)

- ART. 13 -

PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

The personal data of the candidates, communicated to the University of Parma, will be processed, in paper or electronic form, for the sole purposes inherent in carrying out the selection and managing any assignment, in compliance with the provisions in force. Candidates are invited to read the specific information provided, pursuant to Article 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 – General Data Protection Regulation, published on the University website.



- ART. 14 -

SAFEGUARD OR POSTPONEMENT RULES

This announcement constitutes the "*lex specialis*" of the selection procedure and participation in the same implicitly implies the acceptance, without reservation, of all the provisions contained therein.

For all matters not covered by this call, please refer to the "[Regulations for the awarding of research contracts, post-doc appointments and research assignments pursuant to articles 22, 22 bis and 22 ter of Law no. 240 of 30 December 2010](#)", cited in the introduction, as well as to the regulations in force on the subjects covered.

The University of Parma will carry out checks on the veracity of the substitute declarations made for the winner and, if necessary, suitable candidates, pursuant to art. 71 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000. Should the check reveal the untruthfulness of the content of the declaration, the declarant will forfeit the benefits obtained on the basis of the untruthful declaration and, if necessary, the termination of the private law contract stipulated will be determined, without prejudice to the provisions of art. 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28.12.2000 on criminal sanctions.

The University reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to extend or reopen the terms of this call, to make any changes or additions to this call for applications, as well as to revoke or suspend it for reasons of public interest.

An extraordinary appeal to the Head of State may be lodged against this measure within 120 days from the date of publication, or, in judicial proceedings, an appeal to the Regional Administrative Court, within 60 days from the same date.

- ART. 15 -

INFORMATION

For any information, interested parties can contact the Organizational Unit (O.U.) Recruitment, Via Università 12, 43121 Parma – Telephone numbers: 0521.034382 / 0521.034386 / 0521.034108 - E-mail address: concorso@unipr.it

The staff in charge receives the public by appointment only and answers phone calls from Monday to Friday from 9:00 to 11:00.

This call for applications, drawn up in Italian and English, will be made public by means of:

- ✓ publication on the recruitment portal InPA - Department of Public Administration;
- ✓ publication on the website of the MUR – European Union, at the address <https://bandi.mur.gov.it/>;
- ✓ publication on the online Register and on the website of this University at the following address: <https://www.unipr.it/bandi-di-concorso-incarichi-di-ricerca>

Unless otherwise specified, communications to candidates will be provided only by publication of the same on the University website, in the section dedicated to the procedure, which can be reached at the address indicated above. Such publications will be deemed to be notification to all intents and purposes. Candidates, in order to acquire all the necessary information, are therefore required, for the entire duration of the selection procedure, to consult the University's institutional website.

Prof. Paolo Martelli

Digitally signed in accordance with the D.Lgs. n. 82/2005

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