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## One (1) PhD Student Position

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The research group of Panagiotis Moschou, under the Fondation Santé-supported Research Program in 2024, entitled "A mechanism safeguarding proteins getting stuck in solids" (https://fondationsante.org/research-support/biomedical-research-grants/grant-recipients/). The Program Coordinator, Prof. Panagiotis Moschou, invites applications for one (1) motivated PhD student to assist with the implementation of the project.

#### About the lab:

The Moschou Lab will build on novel protein-RNA interaction rules to explore their functions in environmental adaptation and development. The Lab studies RNA/protein assemblies that transduce environmental and developmental signals; recent relevant papers (2023-2024): https://doi.org/10.1093/plcell/koad288 https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3002305 https://doi.org/10.15252/embj.2022111885 https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tplants.2023.04.006. To reach their aims, the Lab uses a large set of interdisciplinary approaches, including genetics, molecular methods, and genomics.

# About the project:

The main aspects of the project include studying a new rule and its role in physiology based on the recently published concept of dynamic regulation of condensates by actin. The PhD will work in collaboration with other members of the group on the working packages of an ERC project https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101126019

# **Job Description:**

The lab seeks motivated and passionate learners to join our team. Candidates should have a background in molecular biology and/or informatics and be fluent in English (written & oral). Experience in handling genetic data, proficiency in cell biology, and experience working with plants are pluses. We offer training in advanced imaging and various molecular & genetic skills for investigating fundamental cellular mechanisms. The lab is committed to developing the students' communication & critical thinking through journal clubs, conferences, presentations, and research visits abroad.

## **Required qualifications:**

- BSc in Biology, Life Sciences, Chemistry or relevant topics
- MSc in Biology, Life Sciences, Chemistry or relevant topics
- Excellent oral and written skills in the English language
- Proof of enrollment in a PhD Program at a Greek University

### **Desired qualifications:**

- Relevant laboratory experience, as shown by working with plants or the environment
- Excellent oral and written skills in the English language
- Knowledge of the field, as shown through the interview

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	Evaluation criteria	Maximum score
1.	B.Sc. degree grade (Score points = grade x 2)	10
2.	M.S. degree grade (Score points = grade x 2)	10
3.	Proof of enrollment in a PhD Program at a Greek University	YES/NO
4.	Relevant laboratory experience as shown working with plants or environment (6-12 months = 10 points, 12-24 months = 20 points, 24-36 months = 30 points, >36 months = 40 points)	40
5.	Oral and written skills in the English language (B1 = 5 points, B2 = 10 points, C1 = 15 points, C2 = 20 points)	20
6.	Interview (communication skills, field knowledge, and critical thinking = 10 points, knowledge of the field of research = 10 points)	20
Total score		100

Contract Duration: 6 months with the possibility of extension according to the project needs

**Total budget:** 1140 € monthly cost (scholarship)

**Envisaged starting date: 01/10/2025** 

Application submission: Interested applicants should submit their application electronically by July 14, 2025

@ 13:00 (Greece time).

#### The application should consist of:

- 1. Application Form (see below)
- 2. CV
- 3. Brief statement of purpose
- 4. The names and contact details of two referees
- 5. Scanned copies of academic titles
- 6. Scanned copies proving all the qualifications
- 7. Proof of enrollment in a PhD Program at a Greek University

Submission of applications: par0787@imbb.forth.gr

### **Evaluation procedure**

Applications will be evaluated by a three-member evaluation committee. In case of interview procedure, applicants will be invited to participate in person or teleconference.

In case of titles and qualifications awarded by foreign Higher Education Institutions, the provisions of the Law 55/2023 (article 36) and 4957/2022 (article 304) are implemented.

The results of the selection will be announced on the website of IMBB-FORTH. Applicants have the right to appeal the selection decision, by addressing their written objection to the IMBB secretariat within five days since the results announcement on the web. Objections are submitted in one of the following ways: in person, by an authorized person, by post, by courier. They also have the right to access (a) the files of the applicants as well as (b) the table of applicants' scores (ranking of applicants results). All the above information related to the selection procedure will be available at the secretariat of IMBB-FORTH in line with the Hellenic Data Protection Authority. Access to personal data of co- applicants shall be limited to personal data (and relevant data) and supporting documents which have been the basis of the evaluation of the applicants for the specific

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post(s). Prior to the announcement of the personal data and/or documents of the co- applicants to the applicant, FORTH will inform the data subjects in an appropriate way.

The selected applicants will be notified personally regarding the success of his/her application and will be requested to submit certified copies of his/her degrees. If the submitted documents do not agree with the original application, the applicant will be dismissed.

Throughout the duration of the project, and if there is a need to replace persons selected in accordance with this Call, the replacement will be carried out by selecting - based on score/point allocation - another candidate(s) from the compiled ranking list.

In the event that for any reason the funding provided for the project is interrupted, FORTH-IMBB reserves the right to interrupt the execution of the contract with a special declaration of interruption and without compensation.

FORTH-IMBB does not undertake any commitment to conclude a contract and is entitled to cancel or repeat the procedure without obligation to pay any compensation, excluding any relevant claim by the candidates.

Participation in this call for expressions of interest implies full acceptance of the terms of this.

#### **GDPR** Disclaimer

FORTH is compliant with all legal procedures for the processing of personal data as defined by the Regulation EU/2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data. FORTH processes the personal data and relevant supporting documents that applicants have submitted. Processing of that data is carried out exclusively for the needs and purposes of this specific call. Such data shall not be transmitted to or communicated to any third party unless required by law.

FORTH retains the above data up to the announcement of the final results of the call, unless further process and reservation is required by law or for purposes of exercise, enforcement, prosecution of certain one's legitimate legal rights' as defined in the Regulation EU/2016/679 and/or in national law. Under the Regulation EU/2016/679, applicants have the rights to be informed about their personal data, access to, rectification and erasure, restrictions of process and objection to as provided by applicable regulation and national laws. Applicants have the right to file a complaint to the national Data Protection Authority. For any further information regarding exercise of personal data protection rights, applicants may contact the Data Protection Officer at FORTH at dpo@admin.forth.gr.

Applicants have the right to withdraw their application and consent for the processing of personal data at any time. In this case, FORTH shall destroy such documents and/or supporting documents submitted and shall delete the related personal data.

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APPLICATION FORM	
Name: Surname: Date of birth (dd/mm/yy): Address: Telephone number: Email address:	TO
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Hereby I submit my application f In the framework of the project:	or the position:
Position code [Ref #]	
Submitted with this application:	
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I certify that:	
form to the committee without C) I am able to complete the proj	rtificates and documents and I can present them in their original
Date:	
	Applicant name