



National Regulations Belgium (CODA-CERVA)



Research will be funded as far as it falls within activity lines A, B, C, D, F or H of the current call.

Projects will only be funded if one or more of CODA-CERVA staff is a partner of the proposed Research Consortium. Other Belgian scientific institutions or universities are invited to participate in Research Consortium, but on their own expenses.

The proposed research will be in line with the core activities and the mission of CODA-CERVA, i.e.

- Epidemic, endemic, and emerging transmittable diseases in animals.
- Zoonotic and emerging infectious diseases threatening public health.
- Contaminants and the quality of the environment in the framework of safe food production.
- Epidemiology : surveillance, risk analysis, and molecular epidemiology

The mission of the CODA-CERVA includes following tasks:

- Improve methods of diagnosis and prevention in view of reducing animal transmittable diseases, the impact of zoonosis on animal health and environmental pollution by harmful micro organisms
- As reference laboratory for the Belgian and international authorities,
 - Conduct scientific research in view of the development and the application of new scientific techniques and methods in the field of veterinary medicine and agro chemistry
 - Develop relevant scientific methods as standards in this field
 - Supply the official confirmation, especially of diseases that are subject to legal measures and
 - Isolate, identify, and characterise causal disease agents in the field of diseases of the list of the OIE
 - Coordinate and harmonise the diagnostic techniques used in certified diagnostic laboratories, in cooperation with the FASFC
- Study new transmittable animal diseases and the epidemiology of diseases with a strong impact on animal welfare and human health, including research on the potential role of wild fauna
- Control the safety of products of animal or vegetable origin, thereby checking the compliance with consumer and export requirements
- Conduct scientific research in order to develop and apply improved scientific techniques and methods for tracing residues of drugs, pesticides, organic substances, heavy metals, and other residues and elements that could discredit the safety of animal or vegetable products
- Study the interactions between agriculture and stock farming, and the environment in order to protect the safety of the food chain

The total budget available is €200,000 for a period of three years.

Eligible costs are salaries, consumables and travel costs.

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