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European Cystic Fibrosis Society and Cystic Fibrosis Europe Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship

The European Cystic Fibrosis Society (ECFS) is an international society of researchers and clinical professionals committed to improving survival and quality of life for people with cystic fibrosis (CF) by promoting high quality research, education and care.

Cystic Fibrosis Europe (CFE) is the federation of national CF Patient Associations in Europe. CFE represents persons with CF and their families throughout Europe. CFE aims to promote collaboration and progress in CF research in Europe, to promote the best care from a patient perspective and represent and defend the interests of people with CF.

With aim to foster basic and translational research on CF, the ECFS and CFE have joined forces to support a number of European Post-Doctoral 2-year duration Research Fellowships.

A call was launched in December 2019 with a deadline for applications on 14 February 2020. Applications were evaluated by a Selection Committee composed of four international experts in basic science or translational research on cystic fibrosis and two representatives of ECFS and CFE. Evaluation and recommendation of the Selection Committee were based on external reviews made by two experts in the field of each application and interviews of top-ranking candidates. The Boards of ECFS and CF Europe then made the final selection.

The ECFS and CFE are happy to announce that they awarded three Post-doctoral Research fellowships.



Dr Katherine Sutcliffe (UK): she has obtained her PhD in 2019 at the University of Bristol (UK). She will work in Prof. David N Sheppard's laboratory at University of Bristol (UK) on "Molecular dynamics simulations to identify the molecular mechanism of CFTR copotentiation by ivacaftor and CP-628006".



Dr Emmanuelle Bardin (FR): she has obtained her PhD in 2019 at Imperial College London (UK). She will work in Prof. Isabelle Sermet's laboratory at INSERM/Université de Paris (FR) on "Novel insights into the impact of CFTR modulators on the response of the cystic fibrosis respiratory epithelium to *S. aureus* infection".



Dr Matthew Coates (UK): he has obtained his PhD in 2018 at Imperial College London (UK). He will work in Prof. Jane Davies' laboratory at Imperial College London (UK) on "The role of CFTR in the infection and early inflammatory response of respiratory epithelia to *Aspergillus fumigatus*".