



CNRS research scientist tenure-track position on spintronics

CONTEXT

Spin electronics (spintronics) is a research field whose latest advances hold the potential to bring about a paradigm shift in developing more energy-efficient digital technologies. The French community ranks among the world leaders in spintronics research. It is currently supported by the exploratory national research program [PEPR SPIN](#), whose primary goal is to push the boundaries of knowledge and prepare a new cycle of innovation that proactively integrates digital sobriety across computing, the Internet of Things, reconfigurable logic, and smart sensors.

In a highly competitive international context, the so-called SPIN Junior Professor Chair aims to contribute to opening new research directions of the PEPR SPIN's fundamental physics, by recruiting a leading talent into a laboratory that is internationally recognised in spintronics. The research project must leverage the host laboratory's strengths, with the dual objective of advancing knowledge—CNRS's core mission—and helping develop new application-oriented concepts.

HOST LABS

The three laboratories that could host the awardee of the SPIN Junior Professor Chair are all world-leading in spintronics and its interfaces. In alphabetical order, these are:

- The [Institut Jean Lamour in Nancy, particularly its Spintronics and Nanomagnetism research team](#);
- The [Laboratoire Albert Fert](#) in Palaiseau;
- [SPINTEC](#) in Grenoble.

Each laboratory has distinct strengths that candidates can draw on to build their research programme. Candidates are strongly encouraged to contact their intended host laboratory ahead of preparing an application.

POSITION

The tenure-track position is a so-called Junior Professor position at CNRS. The fixed-term contract has a duration between 3 to 6 years depending on the candidate experience. During this period, lecturing at the host university is due with yearly amount 28h of lectures or 42h of practicals/tutorials. Following this, the position is converted to a CNRS senior research scientist (so-called Directeur de Recherche), upon examination of a dedicated committee, with no more teaching duties.

The yearly gross salary during the Junior position is in the range 54.6-57.8 k€, depending on the experience. The position comes with a starting package of 200 k€.

APPLY

The deadline for application is 2nd September 2026 at 17:00 CEST.

- Official call: <https://carrieres.cnrs.fr/en/chair-recruitment/> (see the *Physics* section)
- Application: <https://emploi.cnrs.fr/Offres/CPJ/CPJ-2026-046/Default.aspx?lang=EN>