Resolution of February 25th 2021, of the Presidency of the State Agency Spanish National Research Council, by which scholarships of introduction to research “JAE Intro” are announced, in the framework of the Program "Junta de Ampliación de Estudios".

The Presidency of the State Agency Spanish National Research Council has decided to announce 250 scholarships, preferably focused to university students in the final year of their university degrees.

The scholarship is organized within the framework of the "Junta de ampliación de estudios" Program (JAE Program, by its initials in Spanish), regulated according to the bases of the Resolution of July 16th 2007, of the Spanish National Research Council, published in the Official State Gazette (Boletín Oficial del Estado) in August 3th 2007.

This announcement seeks to renew the program and adapt it to the general lines arising from the European Higher Education Area, within the framework given by the legislation, and it is focused to university students interested in starting a research career that may lead to the realization of their PhD thesis, making possible the realization of a period of fellowship in one of the research groups that develop their work in the CSIC institutes, their mixed centres and their units.

The purpose is that this initiation in the scientific career allows the CSIC to make known, in the university environment, the professional possibilities offered by the centres and institutes of the CSIC, their mixed institutes and their units, leading and approximation to the knowledge of the current scientific-technical problems and the methods used to solve them.

1. Purpose of the announcement

1.1 The purpose of this announcement is the granting of 250 Introduction to research scholarships for students with a high level of academic performance. The scholarships are granted in accordance with the principles of transparency, objectivity and publicity.

1.2 The work plan derived from the granting of these scholarships will be developed in the centres and institutes of the CSIC, framed within the 3 global areas of the CSIC. This work plan has a view to the subsequent development of the PhD thesis of the fellow in the CSIC.

1.3 The 250 introductory research grants of the call will be distributed among the 3 global areas of the CSIC as follows: 135 grants for the global area Life, 50 for the global area Society and 65 for the global area Matter. In the event that the number of grants for the global areas is not covered due to a lack of applications, the allocation will be distributed proportionally to the other areas.
1.4 A 5% quota (12 scholarships) will be reserved for candidates who have the legal status of persons with disabilities with a degree of disability equal to or greater than 33%.

1.5 Up to 12 scholarships will be reserved for applicants enrolled in the academic year 2020-2021 or in the academic year 2021-2022 in one of the official University Master's Degrees offered by the Menéndez Pelayo International University (hereinafter UIMP), in academic alliance with the CSIC:

1. University Master's Degree in High Specialisation in Plastics and Rubber (CSIC-UIMP).
2. University Master's Degree in Biodiversity in Tropical Areas and its Conservation (CSIC-UIMP).
3. Master's Degree in Integrative Molecular and Cellular Biology (CSIC-UIMP).
4. Master's Degree in Data Science (CSIC-UIMP-UC).
5. Master's Degree in Particle and Cosmos Physics (CSIC-UIMP-UC).

2. Competent bodies for the investigation and resolution of the procedure

2.1 The CSIC Postgraduate and Specialisation Department (hereinafter DPE) is the competent body to carry out the procedure for awarding the grants covered by this call for applications.

2.2 The competent body for the resolution of the award procedure is the Presidency of the CSIC.

3. Application deadline

3.1 The deadline for submitting applications is one month from the day following the date of publication of the extract of the call for applications in the Official State Gazette (BOE).

4. Applicants

Spanish students, nationals of any Member State of the European Union and non-EU foreigners are eligible for this scholarship. Applicants must meet the following requirements at the time of application:

I. Requirements related to studies:

- Students enrolled in a degree of at least 240 "European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System" (hereinafter ECTS), in the academic year 2020-2021, who have completed at least 192 ECTS credits (80%) corresponding to the degree they are studying.
- Students enrolled in a double degree, of at least 300 ECTS, in the academic year 2020/2021, who have completed at least 240 ECTS (80%) corresponding to the degree they are doing.

- Students enrolled in an official University Master’s Degree during the academic year 2020-2021 or are going to be university students enrolled in an official University Master’s Degree in the academic year 2021-2022, having applied for pre-admission, admission or enrolment in the same, and provided that they hold a Bachelor’s Degree and have obtained it after the dates set out below:
  - On January 1st 2018, in the case of graduates, engineers and architects or equivalent in foreign university systems not adapted to the EHEA.
  - On January 1st 2017, in the case of graduates, technical engineers and technical architects or equivalent qualifications in foreign university systems not adapted to the EHEA, who have completed the master’s degree for access to the doctorate.
  - On January 1st 2017, in the case of 180-credit EHEA bachelor’s degrees.
  - On January 1st 2018, in the case of EHEA undergraduate studies of 240 credits.

In relation to the dates of the two previous points, the date of completion of these studies is understood to be the date of passing the last subject of the studies.

In addition, for those applicants included in the previous point, those who have completed their studies as of January 1th 2014 may apply for the grant in the following cases:

a) Graduates in medicine, pharmacy, biology, chemistry or psychology who, on the closing date for the submission of applications, hold an official medical (MIR) or pharmaceutical (FIR) speciality degree or an official speciality certificate in biology (BIR), chemistry (QUIR) or psychology (PIR).

b) Those who, while they have been pursuing the aforementioned studies, have devoted themselves to the care of children under six years of age between 1 January 2014 and 1 January 2015.

c) The period of completion of studies indicated in sections a), b), c) and d) of the previous point shall be extended by two years for those who suffer from a disability equal to or greater than 33 per cent.

d) Those who have interrupted their studies due to serious illness or who have devoted themselves to the care of elderly members of the family in the first parental line.
II. General requirements

- Not to be in possession of or in legal disposition to obtain a doctoral degree.

- Not have been awarded an introductory research grant under the JAE programme in previous calls for applications.

- Not be physically incapacitated or suffer from an illness that may prevent the development of the training activity that constitutes the purpose of the grant.

III. Requirements relating to the minimum average grade of the academic record:

- Accredit a grade point average, on a decimal scale of 0-10 and with 2 decimal places, equal to or higher than 8.00 for all branches of knowledge, except for Engineering and Architecture, which will be equal to or higher than 7.00.

- Applicants who have not completed their degree studies must accredit these average marks for the credits obtained up to the date of the deadline for submission of applications.

IV. Requirements related to the researcher selected in the application

- Must have a doctoral degree with a contractual or civil servant relationship with the CSIC at the time of acceptance and maintain this for the duration of the grant.

- He/she will have full capacity to supervise doctoral theses through educational cooperation agreements with universities.

- Coordinate the applicant's research activities.

5. Financial endowment and funding of scholarships

5.1 The maximum allocation for this programme is EUR 1,350,000. If necessary, the temporary suspension or modification of the contributions for this programme may be approved.

5.2 The grant shall be considered as a financial support for training. The total amount of each grant is 3,000 euros, of which the social security contributions shall be accrued, and shall be paid on a monthly basis.

5.3 The extension of the grant from the CSIC Central Organisation (hereinafter ORGC) will have a budget allocation of 240,000 euros or up to a maximum of 100 extensions. The total amount of the extension is 2,400 euros, of which social security contributions will be accrued, and will be paid monthly.
5.4 The extension of the fellowship at the expense of the CSIC institutes will be subject to the budgetary availability of the CSIC institutes. The maximum allocation for this programme is 360,000 euros. If necessary, the temporary suspension or modification of the contributions under this programme may be approved.

5.5 The research groups in which the grantees of this call are incorporated may cover staff training costs provided that the requirements set out in the resolution of 26 February 2020 approving the General Instruction on Economic Management of the CSIC are met. 4.3 The total amount of the extension of the scholarship will be €3,000, of which a social security tax must be subtracted. This contribution will be paid on a monthly basis.

6. Formalization of applications

6.1 Applications must only be completed using the online application available on the information servers of the Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

6.2 In the telematic application, the applicant must select, at his/her free choice and in no order of priority, up to three training plans from those offered by CSIC researchers.

6.3 Together with the generated application form, applicants must attach the following additional documentation in pdf format:

a) Document accrediting identity. In the case of non-EU foreign applicants who do not have a residence permit, their passport.

b) 1) For all those people who finish the degree in the 2018-2019 academic year, personal academic certificate or academic record, which shows: the total number of credits obtained up to the moment of the presentation of the application, the corresponding average grade in these studies, on the decimal scale of 0-10 with 2 decimals and the total number of credits needed to obtain the degree.

2) For all those applicants who have completed the required studies, the personal academic certification issued and signed by the University, stating: the total number of credits obtained up to the moment of the presentation of the application; the corresponding average grade in those studies, in the decimal scale of 0-10 with 2 decimals and the total number of ECTS credits necessary to obtain the degree.

3) In the case of studies completed, partially or totally, in foreign university systems, the document generated by the Ministry of Education and Vocational Training (MEFP) with the calculation of the equivalence of the grades obtained with the Spanish scale of qualifications, available of the users in the portal "Equivalence of average marks of university studies carried out in foreign centres" http://www.educacionyfp.gob.es/servicios-al-
ciudadano/catalogo/gestion-titulos/estudios-universitarios/titulos-extranjeros/equivalencia-notas-medias.html, together with the certificate indicated in point 6.3. b)1).

c) Curriculum vitae of the applicant, according to the model that appears in the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

d) Official documentation accrediting the complementary training (courses, languages, collaboration scholarships, Erasmus scholarships, etc.), included in the CV.

e) Letter of motivation of the applicant, according to the model that appears in the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

f) Statement of Responsibility for not have been a beneficiary of an Introduction to Research scholarship within the JAE program in the previous calls, according to the model that appears on the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

6.4 The applicant must inform the examining body of any changes in the circumstances set out in the declaration. The modification of the circumstances included in the declaration will result in the applicant's non-compliance with the participation requirements.

6.5 In general, the actual submission of the application generated will be carried out by means of the electronic signature of the interested party and through the telematic application available on the CSIC information servers. The electronic signature system must comply with the requirements established in article 15.

6.6 In the case of a natural person residing abroad who does not opt for the use of an advanced electronic signature system, the documents generated automatically by the telematic application shall be printed out with the original signature and shall be submitted in the telematic application available on the CSIC information servers.

7. Review of applications

7.1 At the end of the application period, the examining body will review the applications submitted, verifying both the content and the documentation provided and compliance with the requirements established in the call for applications, the verification of which does not require any scientific or technical assessment.

7.2 At the end of the period for reviewing applications, the provisional list of those admitted and excluded from the selection process will be published on the CSIC website, indicating, in each case, the reasons for exclusion.

7.3 Those excluded will be requested to make allegations, rectify the lack or provide the required documentation within ten working days of the publication of the provisional list, using the online application, with a warning that, if they fail to do so,
they will be excluded from the procedure or their application will be considered withdrawn in accordance with the provisions of article 68 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, respectively.

7.4 The investigating body will carry out, ex officio, as many actions as it deems necessary for the determination, knowledge and verification of the data by virtue of which the proposed decision must be formulated. If the examination of the applications and the documentation submitted reveals that they omit essential information for the evaluation process or contain inaccurate, contradictory, inconsistent or false information or data, the investigating body may exclude the application from the procedure, by means of a resolution stating this circumstance, without prejudice to any administrative, civil or criminal liability that may arise.

7.5 Once the period for rectification and allegations has ended, and once these have been reviewed, the definitive list of applications admitted and excluded from the selection process will be published on the CSIC website.

8. Evaluation of the candidates

8.1 The evaluation of the applications admitted for processing after the administrative review and of the receiving research group will be carried out in a single phase, in accordance with the evaluation criteria of this resolution. The evaluation will be carried out by the Scientific Area Commissions, made up of experts from the global areas of the CSIC. These experts may be CSIC researchers or researchers from other national and foreign institutions. The names of the persons participating in the Scientific Areas Commissions will be published on the CSIC website, once the call has been processed.

8.2 There will be three Scientific Area Commissions, one for each of the CSIC’s Global Areas. The CSIC Global Areas are: Life, Matter and Society. If the number of applications is high, and the Scientific Areas Commissions consider it appropriate, sub-commissions may be established within these areas.

8.3 The researchers whose training plans have been chosen by the applicants will participate in the evaluation process of these applicants through the assessment of the suitability of the applicants to the training plan selected by the applicants.

8.4 The evaluation will be carried out according to the following scale:

a) The applicant’s academic record (maximum 3 points). If the number of applications is high and the evaluation committee considers it appropriate, a second cut-off mark may be established according to the average mark of the academic records, so that those who do not pass it will be excluded and will not be evaluated in sections b, and c. The calculation of the score obtained in this section will be automatically calculated by the corporate application for the evaluation of applications.
b) The CV and the applicant's accredited complementary training (maximum 2 points): The following may be assessed: languages, Erasmus+ scholarships or stays, courses and workshops, awards, mentions and distinctions, research experience, etc.

c) The suitability of applicants to the training plan. (maximum 2 points). This evaluation will be carried out by the researchers responsible for each training plan for each of the applications received. If the researcher does not carry out the adaptation process within the corresponding period, it will be understood that the applicant does not adapt and the score will automatically be 0.

d) The scientific and training activity of the responsible researcher and of the receiving group (maximum 2 points).

e) The researcher responsible for the training plan selected in the application belongs to one of the bodies and categories established in Annex I that have started their relationship with the CSIC as of 1 January 2019 (1 point).

8.5 The Scientific Area Commissions will submit to the Selection Committee the evaluation of the applicants admitted to the selection process.

8.6 The Selection Committee will be made up of the CSIC Vice-Presidency for Scientific and Technical Research or person delegated by her/him, the Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas, the Coordinators of the CSIC Global Areas and the Directorate of the DPE, in the secretariat.

8.7 The Selection Committee, in view of the evaluations issued by the Scientific Area Committees in accordance with the criteria established in article 8.4 of the call, will draw up a reasoned proposal with the list of applicants to whom it proposes to award the grant, together with a complementary list of substitutes and reserves in order of priority in the event of resignation or non-incorporation of the beneficiaries.

8.8 In accordance with the principles of transparency, objectivity and publicity, the total score resulting from the evaluation process will be published.

9. Resolution of the procedure

9.1. Once the applications have been evaluated in the manner provided for in this call for applications, the investigating body will formulate a provisional decision, stating the reasons. The provisional decision will be published on the CSIC website and notified to the interested parties. Applicants will have a period of ten working days to present the allegations they deem appropriate.

9.2 Each applicant will have a different score for each training plan chosen, in accordance with the evaluation process established in Article 7 of this call.

9.3 Applicants will be awarded the grant in the chosen training scheme in which they have obtained the highest score in the evaluation process, provided that this scheme will not be awarded to another applicant with a higher score in that scheme.
9.4 Applicants who have been awarded a scholarship in one training scheme may appear as substitutes in other training schemes they have chosen for which they have obtained a lower score or in those which have been awarded to another applicant with a higher score in that training scheme.

9.5 The proposal for a decision shall specify, in accordance with the result of the evaluation, the applicants to whom the grant is awarded, the substitutes and the reserves, as well as the evaluations they have received.

9.6 Once the allegations presented by the applicants, if any, have been formulated, the final decision proposal will be formulated, which will express the list of beneficiaries, substitutes and reserves, as well as the evaluations they have received.

9.7 The investigating body will submit the proposal for a final decision to the Presidency, so that the decision to award the grants can be issued.

9.8 Beneficiaries will be notified of the award via e-mail, indicating the corresponding training plan, researcher and CSIC institute in each case. The status of titular holder will prevail over that of substitute.

9.9 The resolution that agrees or rejects the award of the grant will also indicate that it puts an end to the administrative process and will specify the appeals that may be lodged against it and the body before which they should be lodged.

9.10 The provisional and final decision proposals do not create any right in favour of the proposed beneficiary against the Administration, as long as the award decision has not been notified to him/her.

10. Period and conditions of the scholarship

10.1 The scholarships will last for 5 consecutive months, starting on the first of October 2021, except in the case of extraordinary circumstances. The average weekly dedication of the beneficiaries to the scholarship in institutes or centers belonging to the CSIC, as well as in mixed centers, will be 20 hours per week. The beneficiaries of the scholarship will carry out their work in the host groups of the centers and institutes of the CSIC, their mixed centers and their units, under the direction of the researcher of the CSIC responsible for the subject of work.

10.2 For the formalization of the acceptance or renouncement of the scholarship, the beneficiary will have a period of ten working days from the day following the date of publication of the resolution of concession.

10.3 Both acceptance and resignation will be made by sending it to the Department of Postgraduate and Specialization (jaeintro@csic.es) of the corresponding document, according to the model that appears in the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

10.4 In case of not having proof of the acceptance or renouncement of the scholarship within the period indicated in section 9.2, the beneficiary will be
considered as having withdrawn from the scholarship, being automatically granted to
the first candidate of the list of substitutes that integrates the resolution and that has
such condition. The Postgraduate and Specialization Department will manage this
process.

10.5 For the formalization of the incorporation of the beneficiaries, they must
present the original documents, or certified photocopies, of the documents referenced
in: 6.3 b) (personal academic certification or academic record indicating the average
grade obtained); and 6.3 d) (documentation accrediting complementary training), and
6.3 f) (enrolment for a Master’s degree) at the corresponding CSIC institute in each
Case, prior to their incorporation.

10.6 In order for the first payment of the grant to take effect in the month of
incorporation, the document notifying the start of the grant must be sent by e-mail
(jaeintro@csic.es) to the DPE before the interested party joins the corresponding
CSIC institute. Otherwise, payment may be made one month late. The grant will not
be considered as a salary or remuneration, but as financial support for training.

10.7 The scholarship status does not imply, in any case, employment or civil
servant relationship with the CSIC or with the center of the CSIC where he/she will
develop the training activity. Likewise, the CSIC State Agency does not assume any
commitment in order to incorporate the scholarship beneficiary to its staff at the end
of the scholarship.

10.8 In the case of non-EU foreigners without a residence permit who are
eligible, the grant will be conditional on the condition that, before the start of the
grant, they can prove that they have an official residence permit in order to be able to
stay in Spain during the period of the grant.

10.9 The grant will be compatible with the enjoyment of other grants or aid,
provided that they do not overlap with the time devoted by the beneficiaries to the
grant and provided that the incompatibility is not specified in those grants or aid.

10.10 The grant is not compatible with the award of a pre-doctoral grant that
involves the formalisation of a pre-doctoral contract with an organisation other than
the CSIC. To formalise the waiver you will have a period of ten working days from the
publication of the resolution awarding the pre-doctoral grant to waive the JAE Intro
grant, according to the model that appears on the website
(https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021)

11. Extension of the grant from the CSIC Central Organisation (ORGC)

11.1 The extension of the grant shall be subject to the availability of the budget
and, in any case, up to a maximum of 100 one-time extensions.

11.2 The award of the 100 extensions shall be allocated in the same proportion
as set out in Article 1.3, resulting in: 54 extensions for the global area Life, 20
extensions for the global area Society and 26 extensions for the global area Subject. If
the situation arises in which the extensions for the global areas are not covered due to a lack of applications, the allocation will be distributed proportionally to the other areas.

11.3 The extension shall have a duration of four months.

11.4 The total amount of the extension is 2,400 euros, of which the Social Security contributions will be accrued, and will be paid monthly.

11.5 In order to apply for the extension, the interested party must have applied for any of the calls for applications for grants for pre-doctoral contracts or pre-doctoral researchers in training, the date of the decision announcing the call for applications being after 1 September 2021, with a thesis supervisor with a civil servant or contractual relationship with the CSIC at the time of the application and for the entire duration of the grant and which, in addition, involves the formalisation of a pre-doctoral contract with the CSIC.

11.6 The extension shall be requested, at the request of the interested party, by e-mail to the DPE (jaeintro@csic.es), between 12 November and 13 December 2021.

11.7 Documentation to be submitted by e-mail within the above deadline:

a) Extension application form in accordance with the model that appears on the website [https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021](https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

b) Proof of having applied for any of the calls for applications for grants for pre-doctoral contracts or pre-doctoral researchers in training, with a thesis supervisor with a civil servant or contractual relationship with the CSIC at the time of the application and throughout the duration of the grant and involving the formalisation of a pre-doctoral contract with the CSIC, in accordance with the model that appears on the website [https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021](https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021). In the event of not being able to provide proof, or not being able to demonstrate attendance, a signed declaration will be necessary (according to the model).

c) Letter signed with the approval of the researcher responsible for the training plan with which the grant is being carried out, in accordance with the model that can be found at the Internet address [https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021](https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

11.8 The body responsible for the call for applications will submit to the CSIC Presidency a reasoned proposal with a list of the candidates to whom it is proposed to award the grant extension, based on the score obtained in the evaluation process for obtaining the grant established in article 8; together with a complementary list of substitutes in order of priority in the event that the grant is withdrawn. Extensions charged to the ORGC will be granted by resolution of the Presidency of the CSIC.

11.9 Applicants will be granted the extension in the training plan for which the grant was awarded.
11.10 The resolution will specify, in accordance with the result of the evaluation, the applicants to whom the extension is granted and the substitutes.

11.11 The decision granting or refusing the extension shall also state that it terminates the administrative procedure and shall specify the appeals that may be lodged against it and the body before which they may be lodged.

11.12 Beneficiaries will be notified of the grant by e-mail, indicating the corresponding training plan, researcher and CSIC institute in each case. The status of titular holder will prevail over that of substitute.

11.13 To formalise the acceptance or waiver of the extension, the beneficiary will have a period of five working days from the day following the date of publication of the resolution granting the extension.

11.14 Both the acceptance and the waiver shall be made by sending the corresponding document to the DPE (jaeintro@csic.es), according to the model that appears on the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

11.15 If there is no record of the acceptance or waiver of the grant within the period indicated in article 11.13, the beneficiary will be considered to have withdrawn the extension, which will automatically be granted to the first applicant on the list of substitutes on the resolution and who has this status. The DPE shall manage this procedure.

12. Extension of the grant at the expense of the CSIC institutes

12.1 For those applicants for an extension, according to article 11, who are not finally granted an extension at the expense of the ORGC and fulfil the requirements established for it, there will be the possibility of requesting an extension at the expense of the CSIC institutes, provided that the maximum amount established in article 5.4 of this resolution is not exceeded.

12.2 The conditions for taking up the extension at the expense of the institutes are the same as those set out in Article 11.3 and 11.4.

12.3 The extension shall be requested, at the request of the interested party, by e-mail to the DPE (jaeintro@csic.es), using the form available at the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021), within the period established by the DPE once the procedure for the extension of the ORGC grant under article 11 has been completed.

12.4 The opening of the deadline for applications for the extension of the CSIC institutes will be notified to the grantees eligible for this extension.

12.5 The granting of the extension at the expense of the CSIC institutes shall be at the discretion of the CSIC institute.
12.6 The extension may be requested by e-mail to the DPE (jaeintro@csic.es), using the model provided at the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021) within the notified period. The request must contain:

a) Application form for the extension at the expense of the CSIC institutes in accordance with the model available at the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

b) Letter signed with the approval of the researcher responsible for the training plan with which the grant is being carried out, according to the model that appears on the Internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

c) Funding commitment form signed by the management of the CSIC institute in accordance with the model that can be found on the website (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021).

12.7 Extensions at the expense of the CSIC institutes will be granted by resolution of the CSIC Presidency.

12.8 Applicants will be granted the extension in the training plan for which the grant was awarded provided that they comply with the provisions of Article 12.6.

12.9 The decision granting or refusing the award of the grant shall also state that it terminates the administrative procedure and shall specify the appeals that may be lodged against it and the body before which they must be lodged.

12.10 Beneficiaries will be notified of the award by e-mail, indicating the corresponding training plan, researcher and CSIC institute in each case.

12.11 To formalise the acceptance or waiver of the extension, the beneficiary will have a period of five working days from the day following the opening of the procedure detailed in this article.

12.12 If there is no proof of acceptance or waiver of the grant within the period indicated in article 12.11, the beneficiary will be considered to have withdrawn the extension.

13. Fellow duties

13.1 The beneficiaries must comply with the obligations established in Article 14 of Law 38/2003, of 17th November, as well as the specific conditions established in the regulatory bases and in the specific development provisions contained in this resolution.

13.2 Acceptance of the grant by the beneficiary implies acceptance of the conditions set out in this call for applications.

13.3 Fellows will be required to:
a) Collaborate with the researcher responsible for the research, in accordance with the training plan proposed by the latter, comply with the training plan and the calendar of activities derived from the above and undertake to make the necessary trips to meet the proposed objectives, having to conform to the rules of organisation and operation of the CSIC institute where the work is to be carried out.

b) To carry out their work at the Institute for which the grant has been awarded during the period of the grant.

c) At the end of the period of enjoyment of the grant, to present a final report describing the work carried out according to the model that appears on the internet address (https://sede.csic.gob.es/intro2021). The final report must include the approval of the responsible researcher and the management of the Institute. It shall be sent to the DPE (jaeintro@csic.es) within a maximum period of one month from the end of the grant.

d) To state in any means of dissemination resulting from the activity carried out during the grant, their status as a CSIC Introduction to Research grant holder, by including the words "FUNDED BY CSIC, JAE PROGRAMME".

e) To provide any information requested by the CSIC or, where appropriate, by the Intervención General de la Administración del Estado and the Court of Auditors.

f) Immediately inform the CSIC, through the research director, of any results that may be protected in accordance with industrial and intellectual property regulations. The scientific results and possible inventions obtained as a result of the activity carried out by the beneficiary during the period of enjoyment of the grant shall be the exclusive property of the CSIC, without prejudice to the recognition, where appropriate, of the corresponding authorship.

14. Possible suspension or cancellation for reasons related to the SARS-CoV-2 virus

14.1 The administrative procedure for the award and the use of the scholarship may be suspended or cancelled depending on the development of events related to the pandemic caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, with regard to the measures taken to contain the spread of infections caused by SARS-CoV-2.

14.2 If such circumstances are not clarified at the time, the appropriate decision(s) will be issued prior to the start of the fellowship, suspending or cancelling the fellowship, without any compensation being payable. Beneficiaries must take this circumstance into account for the corresponding purposes.

15. Use of electronic media

15.1 As the CSIC is aware of the climate crisis, in compliance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and in accordance with Law 39/2015, it will be necessary to have an electronic signature for the submission or processing of
applications, documents, written submissions and communications required of all interested parties throughout the process of the call.

15.2 It will be compulsory to use an electronic signature system based on a qualified electronic signature certificate. Any of the signatures validated by the Main Certification Authorities will be accepted: https://firmaelectronica.gob.es/. The website of the Fábrica Nacional de Moneda y Timbre explains how to obtain it: https://www.sede.fnmt.gob.es/certificados/persona-fisica. The signature process can be carried out using the free version of Acrobat Reader: https://helpx.adobe.com/es/reader/using/sign-pdfs.html.

15.3 Notwithstanding the above, as a consequence of the events related to the pandemic caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, for the effective submission of the application, both Spanish nationals, nationals of any Member State of the European Union, individuals residing abroad and/or non-EU foreign applicants who do not have a residence permit, may send documentation, written documents and communications required of interested parties throughout the process of the call for applications.

16. Infringement

16.1 The verification of non-fulfill with the necessary requirements or obligations assumed as a result of granting the scholarship, may result in the extinction of the right to its enjoyment or modification of the award resolution, the refund of the amounts received and, in its case, the initiation of the corresponding disciplinary proceedings, in accordance with the provisions of Law 38/2003, of November 17th, General of Subsidies, as well as on any responsibilities of any kind that may arise.

16.2 The amounts received as scholarship will be reimbursed and there will be a demand for late interest from the time of payment, in the amount set by the Article 38 of the Law 38/2003, of November 17th, General Grants, when concurred any of the circumstances provided for in the article 37 of that legal text.

17. Notification and publication

17.1 The resolution of concession, in accordance with the provisions of articles 21 and 45 of Law 39/2015, of October 1th, of the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations, will be published on the website of the State Agency CSIC and notified to the beneficiaries of the scholarships.

17.2 The maximum period for the resolution of the procedure and its notification will be six months from the date of publication of this resolution. The deadline for the resolution may be suspended, in accordance with the provisions of article 22.1 of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, during the period that the evaluation lasts, which may not exceed three months, as well as during the period used for the correction of deficiencies and the provision of documents.

18. Legal Status
18.1. The granting of the aid provided for in this call for applications will be carried out on a competitive basis, in accordance with the principles of publicity, transparency, objectivity, equality and non-discrimination, seeking effectiveness in the fulfilment of the objectives and efficiency in the allocation and use of public resources, established in article 8.3 of Law 38/2003, of 17 November, General Law on Subsidies.

18.2. The grants covered by this call will be subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Resolution of 16 July 2007, of the Higher Council for Scientific Research, which approves the regulatory bases for the awarding of grants, scholarships and contracts within the framework of the "Junta para la Ampliación de Estudios" programme.

18.3 In addition, the following national regulations shall apply: Law 14/2011 of 1 June 2011 on Science, Technology and Innovation; Law 38/2003 of 17 November 2003 on General Subsidies; Law 39/2015 of 2 October 2015 on the Common Administrative Procedure for Public Administrations; and Royal Decree 1730/2007 of 21 December 2007, which creates the State Agency of the Higher Council for Scientific Research and approves its Statute, as well as the other applicable regulations in force.

18.4 An appeal for reversal may be lodged against this Resolution, which puts an end to administrative proceedings, before the same body that issues it, within a period of one month, or a direct contentious-administrative appeal before the Contentious-Administrative Chamber of the High Court of Justice of Madrid, within two months, in accordance with the provisions of articles 123 and 124 of Law 39/2015 of 2 October, on the Common Administrative Procedure of the Public Administrations, as well as article 10 of Law 29/1998 of 13 July, regulating the Contentious-Administrative Jurisdiction. In the case of an appeal for reconsideration, a contentious-administrative appeal may not be lodged until it has been expressly resolved or the appeal for reconsideration has been presumptively rejected.

Madrid, 25 February 2021 - The President of the State Agency of the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC), Rosa Menéndez López.