

CV Marie-Hélène VERLHAC

Education and key qualifications

2002	Habilitation (HDR) , Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris, France
1995	PhD in Biology (<i>obtained with honours</i>), Jacques Monod Institute, Paris, France Thesis: <i>MAP Kinases and Meiotic Maturation of the Mouse Oocyte</i> Supervisor: Dr Bernard Maro
1991	Master in Cellular and Developmental Biology , Université Pierre et Marie Curie
1988	Admission at the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon , Lyon, France

Current positions

Since 2019	Director of the CIRB , Collège de France, Paris, France
Since 2019	DRCE at CNRS
Since 2011	Group Leader in the CIRB , Collège de France, Paris, France

Previous positions

2013 – 2018	Joint-Director of the CIRB , Collège de France, Paris, France
2002 – 2011	Group Leader, DR at CNRS , Developmental Biology Unit, Paris, France
1997 – 2001	Staff Scientist, CR at CNRS Developmental Biology Unit, Paris, France
1995 – 1997	Postdoctoral Fellow , University of California at San Francisco, San Francisco, USA <i>Identification of subunits of the yeast eIF3 complex required for cell division and translation</i> ; Supervisor: Pr Rick Derynck
1991 – 1992	First Year of PhD , Mc Gill University, Montreal, Canada <i>Role of MAP Kinases in mouse oocyte meiotic maturation</i> ; Supervisor: Pr Hugh Clarke

Peer recognition

Honors and Awards:

2022	Jaffe Prize from the French Academy of Sciences
2022	Elected to the Société Philomathique de Paris
2022	Knight from the French national order of the « Légion d'honneur »
2021	CNRS Silver Medal
2020	Nominated to AcademiaNet- the expert database for outstanding female academics by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF)
2019	Albert Brachet embryology Prize from the Royal Academy of Sciences from Belgium
2018	Elected EMBO member
2002	ACI Young Investigator award from the french ministry of Sciences

Prizes obtained by lab members:

- Lucie Barbier, post-doc: Young Investigator award for Women in Sciences from L'Oréal-Unesco (2024)
- Marie-Emilie Terret, co-PI since 2019, former PhD student in my lab: *Nature* Mid-Career mentoring award (2023)
- Adel Al Jord, post-doc: Young Researcher award from the Fondation des Treilles (2023) and finalist for the Eppendorf Award for Young European Investigators (2023)
- Maria Almonacid, CRCN CNRS : Grandes Avancées Françaises en Biologie prize from the french Academy of Sciences (2019)
- Isma Bennabi, PhD: Young Researcher award from the Bettencourt- Schueller Fondation (2019)
- Agathe Chaigne, PhD:
 - 18^{ème} Prize from the french magazine *Le Monde* (2015)
 - Young Researcher award from the Bettencourt- Schueller Fondation (2015)
 - 65th Lindau Nobel Laureate meeting alumni (2015)

Seminars and Meeting invitations

> 45 Seminar Invitations to several institutions worldwide

> 92 Invited Speaker to international meetings (ASCB, FASEB, Gordon Conferences, EMBO conferences, Titisee Conferences...), where I gave **15 Keynote Lectures**

Networking and Conference organization as Main Organiser/Co-Organiser

2025	Foundation Singer Polignac meeting "Fertility: contribution of the maternal inheritance", Paris, France
2023	Foundation des Treilles International Meeting on "DNA Damage in Mitosis: bridging two (un)related fields, Tourtour, France
2021	4th edition of Building the Cell meeting, called "Cell La Vie" from the SBCF/BSCB, online
2018	« 3rd Building the Cell meeting-BTC2018 » from the SBCF, Paris, France
2018	"The students and post-docs Meiosis workshop - II» from the GDRi Mammalian Meiosis, Montpellier, France
2018	GDR « Meiosis Ile-de France » at Collège de France, Paris, France
2016	Foundation des Treilles International Meeting on "Causes and Consequences of Aneuploidy", Tourtour, France
2016	"The students and post-docs Meiosis workshop - I» from the GDRi Mammalian Meiosis, Montpellier, France
2014	"Meiosis: a critical step for Reproduction" from GDRi Mammalian Meiosis at Collège de France, Paris, France
2013	Wenner-Gren Symposium on "Meiosis and chromosome segregation - a mammalian perspective", Stockholm, Sweden
2009	Foundation des Treilles International Meeting on "Meiotic Divisions in Oocytes", Tourtour, France
2005	EMBO workshop "Meiotic Divisions and checkpoints", Cargèse, France
2004	"The social life of tubulins and microtubules" by the Integrative Biology IFR, Paris, France

Other contributions to the research community

President/Reporter/Examiner of 39 PhDs in France and abroad

Reporter/Examiner of 20 HDR jury

Member of 19 PhD committee

International Advanced School

2015 – 2023	Lecturer in the International «Cell biology course: Cell and tissue homeostasis », Curie Institute, Paris
2020	Lecturer in the « ABCD: Advanced Courses on Biology of the Cell and Development" organized by Paris Sciences & Lettres (PSL) University, Paris
2019	Lecturer in the « 15th International Curie Course on Epigenetics» on "Physics of the nucleus, Curie Institute, Paris
2015	Lecturer in the Molecular Biology of the Cell training unit from Pasteur Institute, Paris
2009 - 2013	Lecturer in the Cell Biology training unit at l'ENS-ULM, Paris
2008 - 2013	Lecturer in the Cell Differentiation training unit, Université Paris Cité, Paris
2010 -2017	Lecturer in the Genomes, Cells, Development, Evolution training unit, University Paris Saclay

Reviewing activities

- Since 2021 Editorial Board Member of *Physiology/ American Physiological Society*
- Frequent Reviewer for: Nature, Cell, Science, Nature Cell Biology, Molecular Cell, Developmental Cell, The Journal of Cell Biology, Current Biology, The Embo Journal, Embo Reports, Plos Genetics....
- Reviewing for funding agencies (selection): ERC consolidator, ERC starting, National Science Foundation, HFSP, Wellcome Trust, UKRI, National Health and Medical Research Council Australia (NHMRC), DFG, Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF), Branco Weiss Fellowships from ETH (Zürich), Cancer Research UK, Marie Curie Fellowships, Association for International Cancer Research, EMBO YIP, Israeli Science Foundation, Czech Science Foundation, Lalor Foundation (USA)...

Commission of Trust

2025-2030	Co-coordinator of the Fertility axis from the SaFe PEPR
2024	Chaire d'Excellence A*Midex-Aix Marseille Université panel member, Marseille
Since 2024	Member of the Scientific Council of the TV network Arte-France
2023	Member of the evaluation committee of the « Fonds de Recherche du Québec-Santé » (FRQS, Canada)
2023	EMBO solidarity grant committee
2021	Member of the CNRS Paoletti prize for Life Sciences
2020	ERC Synergy panel member
2019 – 2023	Member of the Board of Directors of the Pasteur Institute
2019 – 2020	Member of the Board of Directors in the Research committee of the University Paris Cité
2018 – 2028	Member of the council partners of the Q-Life Convergence Institute from PSL
2014	Member of the ATIP-AVENIR panel, section LS3
2012 – 2016	Nominated Member in the section 22 of the CNRS for the evaluation of research and recruitment of newly appointed researchers, France
2007 – 2010	Panel member in the Genetics and Oncogenesis section from the Ligue Nationale Contre le Cancer

Other professional activities

2025	Remote Evaluator for the Czech Academy of Sciences
2022; 2023	Interviewer for EMBO post-doctoral fellowships
2020 - 2024	SAB member of the Europa Training Network on oocyte Biology/Ireland/UK
Since 2023	Nominator for the Liliane Bettencourt for Life Sciences Prize
Since 2022	VinFuture Prize nominator since 2022, Vietnam
2020 - 2025	Joint Director of a consortium of 3 Institutes supported by PSL, the Memolife 2.0 Labex , headed by Pierre Paoletti
2020	Elected president of the French society for Cell Biology (SBCF)
2017	INSPIRE-Cofound panel Member, University Paris Cité,
2018 – 2022	Member of the administrative council of the French Society for Cell Biology (SFBD)
2011 - 2019	Member of the LABEX Memolife steering committee
2011 - 2019	Member of the GDRI Mammalian Meiosis, organised by Bernard De Massy
2010 - 2012	Member of the administrative council of the French Society for Developmental Biology (SFBD)
2010	Member of the scientific council of the CNRS Jacques Monod conferences
2008 - 2011	Member of the scientific council of the Doctoral School ED515 from Sorbonne University

10 times SAB member as President/Evaluator for French Institutes (Curie Institute, CBI, CRBM, IBGC); Evaluator for the HCERES (French national committee for the evaluation of research) of 5 different research centers in France

Other contributions to the research community

I have supervised/co-supervised 24 master's students, 12 doctoral researchers, and 11 postdoctoral researchers since 2002. Many former PhD students and postdocs from my lab are now group leaders in France and Europe.

Publication List

Original articles (*: corresponding author)

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