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# SUBMISSION FORM

## VRQ CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### SUMMARY

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| **Name of the project** | **File number at Axelys (if available)** |
| **Researcher 1** | **Academic institution** |
| **Researcher 2 (if applicable)** | **Academic institution (if applicable)** |
| **Amount of funding requested** | |
| **Name of the partner organization (if applicable)** | |
| **Brief, non-confidential, description of the project** | |

### ELIGIBILITY

To validate your eligibility for this funding, you need to answer yes or no to the following questions. To be eligible for VRQ funding, you must answer yes to each question.

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| The project is derived from activities from Univalor's affiliated establishments. It has been the subject of a declaration of invention to the establishment or to Axelys. | |
| The project is in the valorization phase | |
| The project is not eligible to the technology maturation program (PSO) | |
| The project does not use the funds received as consideration for a public funding program under the jurisdiction of the Government of Quebec. | |
| For projects over $25,000, a letter of support from a partner organization must be included with the application. | |
| The project will run for a maximum of 24 months. | |

## TARGET PROBLEM AND IMPACT OF THE PROJECT

**Description of the problem (1/2 page maximum)**

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| *Describe in detail the problem you are trying to solve. How long has the research team been working on this problem? Explain why this problem is compelling enough for your solution to reach the market one day. Describe the actions you've taken to validate that this issue is important to potential buyers.* |

**Description of the innovation (1/2 page maximum)**

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| *Describe your innovation and the results obtained so far. Explain their relevance.* |

**Description of the research project (1/2 page maximum)**

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| *Describe the remaining uncertainties associated with the development of the innovation and the actions you have planned to overcome these uncertainties. Include a Gantt chart to illustrate your innovation development plan. The Gantt chart can be in the appendix.* |

**Objective(s), methods, and deliverables of the project**

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| **Objective 1** |
| **Method to achieve the objective** |
| **Deliverables** |

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| **Objective 2 (if needed)** |
| **Method to achieve the objective** |
| **Deliverables** |

**Impact (1/2 page maximum)**

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| *Describe the environmental, social, and/or economic impact of your innovation.* |

## TEAM AND DEPLOYMENT PLAN

**Team (1/3 page maximum)**

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| *Describe in a few lines the background and experience of each team member. Describe similar past achievements.* |

**Deployment of the innovation (2/3 page maximum)**

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| *Describe the commercialization vehicle to bring the innovation to the market. Describe the actions you have taken to talk to the market and attract partners. Describe the milestones you need to reach before a partner is willing to fund the rest of the maturation or take a license. If applicable, describe the role that the identified partner will play in bringing your innovation to the market. In the case of a startup, describe what you need to accomplish before you can attract private funding.* |

**Intellectual property (1/2 page maximum)**

1. *Describe the intellectual property (IP) you currently own. Detail the following information:*
   - *Who are the inventors of the IP?*
   - *What is the status of your IP (e.g. copyright, patent-pending, trade secret, etc.)?*
   - *What year was the patent filed (if applicable)?*
   - *How important is this IP to your deployment plan?*
2. *Describe your IP strategy for the future.*

## FUNDING

**Past and current funding**

*Describe all types of financing you have obtained in connection with this application. Add lines if needed.*

| Name of the funding | Amount | Start/End YYYY/ YYYY | Name of the financed project |
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| **Public** | | | |
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| **Private** | | | |
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| **Collaborative / Research contract** | | | |
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| **Total** | | | |

**Use of funds**

*Indicate the amount of financing you are requesting and detail the precise use of the funds. Add lines if needed.*

| Type of expenses | Amounts | Description of the expenses |
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| **Total** | | |

*Describe why a partner is not yet ready to finance your project, and why VRQ financing is the best way to finance the project at this stage.*

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*Detail how the VRQ funding will be used to leverage additional sources of funding in the short term (leverage to obtain grants, private or public investments, loans, etc.).*

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**Documents needed in the appendix**

- Declaration of invention
- Gantt chart of your innovation's maturation plan
- Letter from a partner (for applications over $25,000). The letter must include the following elements: a description of the partner, a description of the relationship between the partner and the project (e.g. potential licensee, commercialization partner, etc.), a description of what the partner needs to see before committing financially, and a description of their involvement if the key milestones are reached.

**Signature by the representative of the institution**

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*Name of the representative*
*Date*