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The CNRS suspends all new forms of scientific collaboration with Russia

The CNRS condemns Russia's invasion of Ukraine in the strongest possible terms. It pledges its full support to and complete solidarity with Ukraine. It is not acceptable that in the 21st century, such a conflict should break out at the very heart of Europe.

Science knows no borders but the values upheld and shared by each and every scientific community cannot tolerate this war. The CNRS commends the brave stand taken by several hundred Russian scientists who are protesting against this aggression.

The CNRS will provide any form of aid and support to Ukrainian researchers and is prepared to welcome those who so wish. Our organisation has joined the scheme set up as part of the Pause programme, which has launched an urgent call for help for Ukrainian researchers who are in danger, thanks to an emergency fund allocated by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

The CNRS suspends all new forms of scientific collaboration with Russia and cancels all forthcoming scientific events involving Russia. Russian researchers working in French laboratories may continue their activity.

The CNRS will remain mobilised as long as the situation so requires.

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