**PhD student position**

**High-resolution cardiac magnetic resonance imaging for patients with implantable cardiac devices**

The LIRYC (Electrophysiology and Heart Modelling Institute) diagnostic imaging team in Bordeaux and the Department of Radiology at the Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV) are looking for a highly motivated PhD candidate in the area of cardiovascular magnetic resonance imaging.

This position is available immediately and for the expected duration of 3 years. The research project will be in strong collaboration with the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois (CHUV) in Lausanne, a worldwide renowned cardiac MR research center, as well as with the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire (CHU) of Bordeaux and industrial partners, including Siemens Healthineers. This position is an excellent opportunity for a young and motivated scientist to perform cutting-edge research in a unique cardiac MR center through collaborations with scientific experts, clinicians and medical industry.

**Project Description:** Late gadolinium enhancement (LGE) magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a widely used imaging technique to assess the fibrotic substrate of scar-related ventricular tachycardia and to guide ablation procedures. Unfortunately, many patients do not undergo MRI because of the presence of pacemakers and implantable cardioverter defibrillators (ICD) causing considerable image artefacts on MRI. The PhD candidate will develop novel MRI techniques for artifact-free LGE imaging in patients with ICDs. The developed techniques will be tested, optimized and validated on phantom, animal models, healthy volunteers and finally in patients in collaboration with medical professionals.

**Location:** This Doctoral position will be embedded in a translational, multidisciplinary, collaborative, and international environment. The candidate will further be able to spend time both in Bordeaux and in Lausanne while the home base will be in Lausanne.

**Requirements:** Required education level in computer science. Computer programming skills are a requirement, while pre-existing experience with MRI pulse sequence programming will be a distinct advantage for the candidate. Flexibility for frequent travel between Bordeaux and Lausanne.

**Supervisor:**

- **Main Supervisor:** Prof. Matthias Stuber, University of Lausanne and Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV), Lausanne, Switzerland, matthias.stuber@chuv.ch
- **Co-Supervisor:** Dr. Aurelien Bustin, Lausanne University Hospital (CHUV), Lausanne, Switzerland and IHU LIRYC, Bordeaux, France, aurelien.bustin@ihu-liryc.fr
- **Collaborators:** Prof. Hubert Cochet, Department of Cardiovascular Imaging, Hôpital Cardiologique du Haut-Lévêque, CHU de Bordeaux, Bordeaux, France, hubert.cochet@chu-bordeaux.fr
Skills

• **Qualifications, previous experience and background:** master’s degree in engineering, physics, life science or a similar degree, preferably at ease with AI or applied mathematics. Advanced grasp of English.

How to apply: Please send your CV and motivation letter to: aurelien.bustin@ihu-liryc.fr

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**About CIBM**

The CIBM Center for Biomedical Imaging was founded in 2004 and is the result of a major research and teaching initiative of the partners in the Science-Vie-Société (SVS) project between the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), the Université de Lausanne (UNIL), Université de Genève (UNIGE), the Hôpitaux Universitaires de Genève (HUG) and the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois (CHUV), with the generous support from the Fondation Leenaards and Fondation Louis-Jeantet. CIBM brings together highly qualified, diverse, complementary and multidisciplinary groups of people with common interest in biomedical imaging.

We welcome you in joining the CIBM Community.