## CERIC

# CERIC: a case study of science communication in a distributed research infrastructure

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## **About CERIC-ERIC**

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CERIC is a European research infrastructure consortium, built by unifying some of the best complementary facilities in Central and Eastern Europe, allowing multidisciplinary research in all fields of advanced materials, biomaterials and nanotechnology (with focus on energy and life sciences)





## **CERIC-ERIC** in brief

**CERIC** started in central-eastern Europe and now extends to 11 countries, considering Partner and Associated Facilities

**CERIC** gives researchers free access to over 60 different techniques and instruments for research



## **Complementary techniques**





## **Several research fields**





## Open Access to multiple facilities: the CERIC way

- *Support* in proposals preparation
- *One entry point* to over 60 techniques
- Possibility to ask for several instruments in a single proposal
- **Mobility support** (2 users per measurement for each site)
- **Dissemination** of research results

ONE SINGLE OR MULTI-TECHNIQUE PROPOSAL

Two calls per year for coordinated access to all facilities

Two-step access procedure

One review panel

ONE REPORT



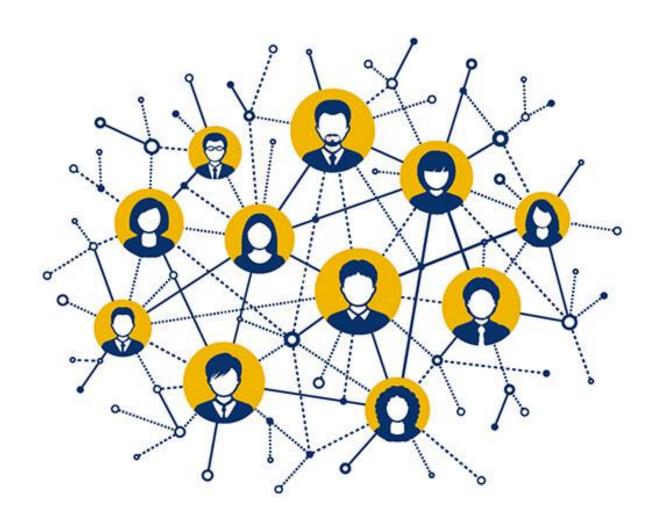
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1-2 years 1 day -1 year





## (Theoretical) solution



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## (Practical) solution 1





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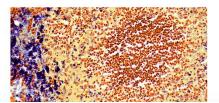
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#### Improved nanoparticles towards more effective drug formulation, delivery and cancer treatment

A recent study conducted in the frame of the Nano-analytics for Pharmaceutics project led by Aden Hodzic (CERIC-ERIC) and in cooperation with UCL scientist Maximilian Besenhard, Kim Than, and Asterios Gavriilidis, shed light on new methods for the synthesis of iron oxide nanoparticles. Findings will help improve future drug formulation and delivery for more effective cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Magnetic iron oxide nanoparticles (IONPs) have emerged as one of the primary nanomaterials in biomedicine, thanks to their low toxicity and biodegradability. Their morphological features allow their use in drug delivery systems for tumour cells imaging or burning, as well as for delivery of therapeutic agents. For example, they can be used as contrasting agents for magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), which is widely deployed in clinical oncology diagnostics.



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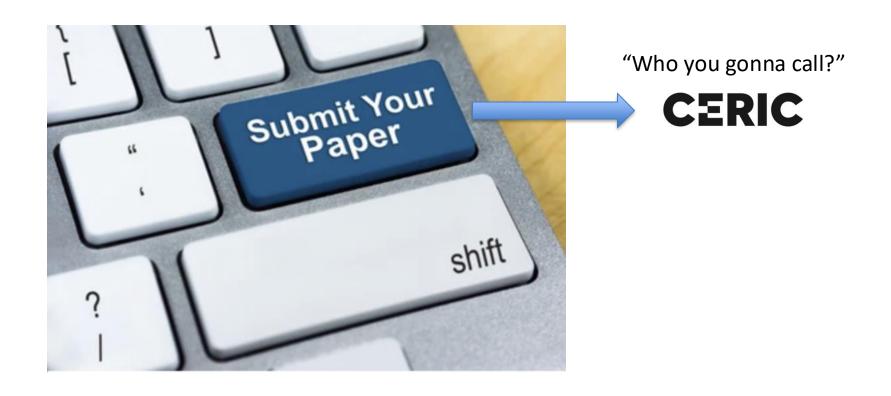
PRESS RELEASE: Fighting cancer and genetic diseases with lipid nanoparticles

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Researchers at Sapienza University's NanoDelivery Lab, supported by the European research infrastructure consortium CERIC-ERIC, have developed a technology to transport large DNA molecules, paving the way for new targeted gene therapies. The results of the study have been published in Nature Communications.

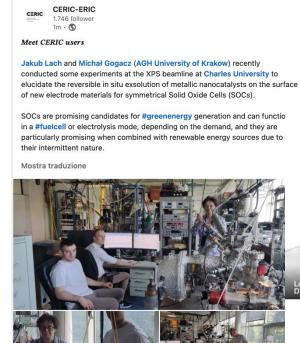
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