

Fiscal year 2026

Invitation-to-Japan Research Grant Application Guideline

Japan Epilepsy Research Foundation (JERF)

Grant target

Those who wish to study abroad at a facility in Japan for the purpose of clinical training or basic research on epilepsy

Qualification requirements

- (1) Acceptance facility has been confirmed in Japan.
- (2) The training and research which they apply for should be conducted within one year once the grant is delivered.
- (3) Those who wish to study abroad study epilepsy, should have sufficient skill of daily conversation in Japanese or English, and should be foreign doctors less than age of 50 years (i.e., < 50) at the time of application.
- (4) The applicant (the host researcher) is an epilepsy researcher who is accepting the foreign candidates at one facility, and the member of the Japan Epilepsy Society.

The number of grants

1 cases

Grant amount

750,000 yen / case

Grant period

1 year of fiscal year 2026 (April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027)

Delivery of grant

Grant will be transferred to the account of the financial institution designated by the applicant (the host researcher) in early April, 2026

Travel expenses, the cost of stay and directly related other expenses are applicable.

How to apply

【When the host facility is confirmed】

Applicants (the host researchers) who will accept applicants to study abroad, through the foundation homepage (<https://www.epi-fj.jp/>), should apply according to the "application procedure" from the WEB application system.

Immediately after receiving the application, the reception number will be notified from the WEB application system.

【When the host facility is not confirmed】

For those who wish to study abroad, please visit the Japan Epilepsy Society website (<https://square.umin.ac.jp/jes/>). Refer to the JES Scholarship facility list and send your resume, achievements and letters of recommendation from two or more researchers to the candidates of host researcher for direct negotiations. After confirming the host researcher, the host researcher will apply.

※We do not accept direct applications from applicants to the Foundation.

Recruitment period
October 1st-November 30th, 2025

Selection method and notification

The selection will be made by the Research Grant Selection Committee by the Foundation, and will be decided by the Board of Directors in March, 2026.

The secretariat will notify each applicant of results of selection through the WEB application system. The names of the recipients of the grant will be posted on the Foundation's website in early April, 2026

Obligation to report income and expenditure and research results

By April 2027, the host researcher will submit the prescribed grant balance report (with receipts, etc.), the grant report, and the impression report of the recipients (with one photo attached, etc.) to the president of the foundation.

The report, etc. will be published in the 38th Annual Research Report (2027).

Cancel decision, cancellation and refund of grant decisions

When a recipient falls into or already have turned to be any of the following conditions, the decision to deliver the grant is canceled, the grant is stopped, or the recipient will be requested to all or parts the grants already delivered will be to return to the Foundation.

- (1) When making a false offer or report.
 - (2) When the target research activity is canceled.
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Inquiry

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Japan Epilepsy Research Foundation (Public interest incorporated foundation)

Application procedure

