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To International students

International Center

**Scholarship Information and Application Procedure
for the Ichiro Kanehara Foundation for the Promotion of Medical Science & Medical Care
“The 41st Scholarship Grant for Living Expenses for Foreign Nationals in Japan”**

We would like to inform you that the Ichiro Kanehara Foundation for the Promotion of Medical Science & Medical Care has announced a scholarship opportunity for international students.

Please refer to the information below for details regarding eligibility requirements and the application procedure. Please note that **a recommendation from your supervisor is required** to apply for this scholarship. As **only one applicant may apply from each laboratory**, students who wish to apply must **consult with their supervisor in advance** and obtain their supervisor's approval for a recommendation. *(This process is not on a first-come, first-served basis.)*

Students selected by their laboratories must contact the International Center at HUSM_IC@hama-med.ac.jp. After receiving your email, the International Center will provide you with the Foundation's application website and detailed instructions for the application process.

As this scholarship requires a direct application by the student, candidates selected by their laboratories should follow the application guidelines below, as well as the instructions provided by the International Center, and submit their application through the website within the designated application period.

1) About the scholarship

Scholarship amount: 100,000 yen per month

Scholarship period: April 2027 - March 2028 (1 year)

2) Eligibility requirements

- Graduate students who reside in Japan for at least three consecutive years, including the period from April 2027 to March 2028, and who are conducting research in basic medical sciences or medical care in Japan are eligible to apply. (Students who have received this scholarship grant in the past three years are not eligible.)
- Both government-sponsored (MEXT Scholarship) students and privately financed international students are eligible.
- Applicants must be able to obtain **a letter of recommendation from the supervisor** who will supervise them from April 2027.
- Applicants must have **published research papers**.

3) Application period

From November 1, 2026 (00:00) to November 30, 2026 (23:59)

4) Application procedure

Applications must be submitted online.

1. Starting November 1, 2026, please **download the application form (Word format)** from the application website, and complete the form.
2. Enter your information on **the web application form**.
3. Attach the required documents, and follow the instructions to complete the online submission.

Required documents:

The information below is based on previous application cycles and is provided for reference only. The application form will be released on November 1, 2026. As the detailed document requirements are specified in the application form, applicants must follow the instructions provided in the application form.

- Application form
 - Complete the form in English or Japanese.
 - A list of your **published papers** is required.
 - Enter the **DOI** for each paper (mandatory). If a DOI is not available, please provide the **ISSN** instead.
 - Prepare the completed application form as a PDF for submission.
- A representative paper
 - Submit one representative published paper from the list of publications provided in the application form. Either the full paper or its abstract may be submitted in PDF format.
- A recommendation letter (any format, PDF required)

The recommendation letter must include:

 1. The applicant's academic position as of April 2027 (for students, please indicate "Graduate Student")
 2. The recommender's signature

5) Important notes

- The selection results will be announced directly to all applicants at the end of February 2027.
- Scholarship payment will be made by wire transfer to the recipient's bank account in Japan.
- Scholarship recipients are required to submit their Research Achievement Report within 6 months after the end of the scholarship period (by the end of September 2028). Please note that the report will be published in the "Report of Research Results of the Grant" by The Ichiro Kanehara Foundation.
- If a recipient of the HUSM International Exchange Scholarship is awarded this scholarship grant, the amount of the HUSM International Exchange Scholarship will be reduced so that the total monthly amount received from both scholarships will be 150,000 yen.

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