

Guidelines for the JSUM Fellowship

The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine

1. Objectives

The JSUM Fellowship was established to promote the training of Asian specialists in medical ultrasound at academic and medical institutions in Japan and the use of medical ultrasound in medical research. Candidates must be members of societies affiliated with AFSUMB, be nominated by their respective societies, and be willing to contribute to the distribution and improvement of medical ultrasound in Asia, thereby encouraging mutual understanding and scientific cooperation.

2. Administration of the Fellowship

The Fellowship will be administered in accordance with the rules accepted at the meeting of the JSUM Administrative Council on 13 April 1990. They are as follows.

(1) Responsibilities of JSUM

JSUM will be responsible for the following aspects of research or training of Fellows in Japan.

- Selection of recipients.
- Guarantee of recipients' immigration status during their stay in Japan.
- Donation of a grant for the Fellowship.
- Certification of completion of research or training after the submission of a related report by the recipient.

(2) Responsibilities of Affiliated Societies

Affiliated societies nominating recipients shall be responsible for the following.

- Guarantee immigration status of recipients.
- Advice to the applicants to submit application forms to the JSUM office in Japan before the prescribed deadline and ensuring that the following items and information are included: (1) full name of candidate, (2) age, (3) career, (4) current position and specialty, (5) desired field of research or training, (6) name of Japanese institution issuing letter of confirmation, (7) term of research or training (inception through completion), (8) itinerary after completion of research or training, (9) comments, if any, (10) portrait photograph of candidate, (11) list of publications and other relevant items, and (12) a written pledge.

3. Institutional Providers of Research Opportunities or Training

National, public, or private institutions in Japan, including universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, to be eligible to accept the candidates, must have a Senior Fellow (SJSUM), a Fellow (FJSUM), or an Engineering Fellow of JSUM (EJSUM) on their staff to train the Fellowship recipients.

4. Term and Period of Research or Training

- (1) The term for research or training shall, in principle, be 6 months. However, training must be completed by the end of March, the end of the fiscal year.
- (2) The period of research or training shall, in principle, not be changed.

5. Field of Research or Training

Research and training shall be limited to the field of medical ultrasound.

6. Number of Recipients

Up to three recipients will be accepted during any calendar year.

7. Requirements for Recipients

(1)Age: Not more than 35 years.

(2)Career: Recipients must be specialists who have sufficient training and experience in medical ultrasound who have graduated from a university or college or institution of an equivalent level.

(3)Language: Recipients must speak Japanese or English well enough to complete their research or training.

(4)Certificate of Acceptance: Candidates must obtain a letter confirming provisional acceptance. This letter must be issued by the Japanese supervisor in charge of the accepting institutional department and, further, must submit one copy of this certificate with their original application for a Fellowship.

(The Japanese supervisor's name is available at <http://www.jsum.or.jp>)

8. Duties of Recipients

(1)Recipients must obey Japanese laws during the period of their research or training. They are also expected to cooperate with their instructors and related personnel, and should make every effort to achieve the objectives of the Fellowship.

(2)At their earliest convenience upon the completion of the period of their research or training, recipients should submit a report concerning their research or training achievements to Journal of Medical Ultrasonics, an official journal of JSUM.

(3)Recipients are obligated to leave Japan to return to their home country immediately upon the completion of their research or training, where they should endeavor to contribute to the general improvement of medical ultrasound.

9. Grant

JSUM will grant the sum of ¥1,200,000 (¥200,000 per month) to each recipient to help cover the cost of lodging and transportation in Japan. Any additional expenses must be borne by the recipient.

10. Societies in Charge of Reception and Administration

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In the recipient's home country: The respective Affiliated Society.

JSUM and the Affiliated Society shall each appoint one individual to oversee the Fellowship, seeing that the training or research proceeds smoothly and in a responsible manner. The responsible party in Japan will be a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of JSUM.

11. Addendum

Any problem or issue not covered in these Guidelines shall be resolved by amicable and mutual discussion between both parties.