

T-CiRA Program-Specific Researcher, Hotta Lab for iPS Cell Ethics

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Position	One Program-Specific Researcher (Specially Contracted Limited-Term Staff)
Number of position available	One
Work location	<p>T-CiRA Hotta Project (In vivo Genome Editing Therapy Project)</p> <p>Center for iPS Cell Research and Application (CiRA), Shonan Branch</p> <p>26-1, Muraoka-Higashi 2-chome, Fujisawa, Kanagawa, Postal code: 251-8555, Japan</p> <p>※ 15-min Bus ride from JR Ofuna or Fujisawa station</p> <p>※Home, etc., if telecommuting is permitted or ordered by Kyoto University.</p> <p>https://www.shonan-health-innovation-park.com/en/access/</p>
Job description	<p>With the Hotta Project in T-CiRA Program, we are conducting research and development of a novel genome editing therapy for Duchenne muscular dystrophy. So far, we have developed various gene delivery techniques, such as LNP, AAV, and VLP, and demonstrated the efficacy and safety using patient' iPS cells and animal models [Ref: Kenjo E et al., Nat Com, 2021 Gee P et al., Nat Com, 2020 Morisaka H et al., Nat Com, 2019 Li HL et al., Stem Cell Reports, 2015].</p> <p>The T-CiRA project, which is a 10-year project started in April 2016 as a collaboration with the CiRA and Takeda, will promote research and development for clinical application of innovative therapeutics based on groundbreaking basic research. In this unique industry-university collaborative project, we are conducting research aiming to develop a therapeutic method that has a scientific impact and a benefit to patients.</p> <p>“Act for the Promotion of Science, Technology, and Innovation” will be applied to this position.</p> <p>For details of T-CiRA and our research, please visit the sites below:</p> <p>T-CiRA Program: https://www.takeda.com/what-we-do/t-cira/</p> <p>CiRA Hotta Lab: http://www.cira.kyoto-u.ac.jp/hotta/en/</p>

Job requirements	<p>He/she has (or expects to have) a Ph.D. or equivalent professional achievements/capabilities in medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, science, or engineering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enthusiastic about the research and development of muscle disease treatment methods using genome editing. • Motivated to acquire and develop new experimental methods. • Can work as a member of our team with researchers from academia, Takeda Pharmaceutical, and related companies. <p>【Desired capabilities】</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research experiences in the research field of DDS and cellular entry. • Research experiences in the research field of CRISPR genome editing. • Research experiences in the research field of muscular dystrophy model animals.
Contract period	<p>Start day (negotiable) ~ March 31st, 2025 with a possibility of renewal until up to the end of the project.</p> <p>When the contract term has expired, the employment contract terminates. Renewal of the contract at the expiration of the limited-term employment contract is decided comprehensively, taking into consideration the workload, work performance, behavior, capabilities, progress of the work engaged in, etc. at the end of the contract term. No matter how excellent your work performance, behavior, and capabilities have been, there are cases in which the contract is not renewed on account of unavoidable reasons, such as loss of the job contents specified above due to reassignment of your lab's principal investigator or reorganizations or change of financial status and acceptance status of external fund for the employment.</p>
Probational period	<p>6 months</p>
Working conditions	<p>Kyoto University Program-Specific Researcher (full-time, annual salary system)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salaries, etc. are determined based on the Kyoto University standards and according to capabilities and backgrounds. • Annual salary includes various allowances. • Discretionary work system for specialist staff (38 hours and 45 minutes/week, 7 hours and 45minutes/day) • 8:30am ~ 5:15pm (break 12:00pm ~ 1:00pm)/ 5 days a week, when Discretionary work system for specialist staff is not applied. • You may be ordered to work overtime as needed. • Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, year-end and new-year break, the anniversary of foundation holiday, and paid holidays • MEXT Mutual Aid Association, employee pension insurance, industrial accident compensation insurance, and employment insurance

Documents to be submitted	<p>Please submit the following documents: (If you request additional materials, please specify them.)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curriculum vitae (Form 1) Please write names and contact information of two referees who can evaluate you. Please write the email address and telephone number by which we can unfailingly contact you in the designated space. 2. List of research achievements or professional achievements (publications, presentations, acquired research funds, patents, etc.) (Form 2) 3. Outlines of research progress and research results in the past (Form 3) <p>※Please use the Forms 1 through 3 for the documents required above. You will find the Forms for downloading at: http://www.cira.kyotou.ac.jp/e/employment/img/doc/Application_Forms.zip If you do not find appropriate items in the Forms, please add items to the Forms as needed. ※Additional information may be requested in the process of screening.</p>
Deadline	Until the position is filled.
Contact	<p>Please send the application documents to the following address by postal mail or e-mail.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hotta Lab, Center for iPS Cell Research and Application, Kyoto University 53 Kawahara-cho, Shogoin, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606-8507, JAPAN E-mail: akitsu.hotta@cira.kyoto-u.ac.jp (Please change “*” to “@”.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please be sure to write “Application documents for Program-Specific Researcher of Hotta Lab” on the envelope or in the subject line of the e-mail. • If you make inquiries about job specifications or working conditions, please contact Hotta mentioning in the subject line as: “Recruitment of Program-Specific Researcher of Hotta Lab”
Selection process	<p>An interview will follow the screening of application documents. Those who have passed the screening will be informed of the date and time of the interview via e-mail or in writing and may be requested to give a lecture on the research or professional achievements at the interview. (Interviewees will bear their transportation and accommodation expenses for the interview.)</p> <p>Results will be informed via e-mail or in writing as soon as the decision is made.</p>
Gender equality	Kyoto University is promoting gender equality. Female researchers are encouraged to apply
Others	<p>Submitted documents shall be used just for the selection, and never be disclosed, transferred, or lent to the third party without due reasons.</p> <p>Please be advised that submitted documents shall not be returned.</p> <p>Kyoto University is working to prevent passive smoking, by prohibiting indoor smoking on all campuses and also outside smoking except designated areas.</p>