Junior Associate Professor (PI), the Faculty Consort of iPS Cell Research and Application, Kyoto University (CiRA Project for Discovering and Developing Future Independent Researchers)

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Position	One Junior Associate Professor (Principal Investigator)
Work location	Center for iPS Cell Research and Application (CiRA), Kyoto University Address: 53 Kawahara-cho, Shogoin, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto Access: five-minute walk from Jingu-marutamachi station of Keihan Railway *Home, etc., if telecommuting is permitted or ordered by Kyoto University.
Job description	The purpose of the "CiRA Project for Discovering and Developing Future Independent Researchers" is to develop young researchers with the potential to play a pioneering role in the field of life sciences of the next generation and conduct world-class research. Under this project, CiRA is seeking a Junior Associate Professor (PI). [Targeted fields] We call for ambitious research proposals that break away from conventional ideas across a wide range of scientific fields. We especially seek applications from researchers aiming to pioneer new advancements in life sciences or medicine using iPS cells, reprogramming techniques, etc., at the molecular, cellular, tissue, organismal, and other levels. Please refer to the CiRA Website (http://www.cira.kyoto-u.ac.jp) for an overview of the institute.
Support System	The successful candidate will: - be employed as regular faculty staff (Junior Associate Professor) prescribed in Kyoto University Work Rules for Faculty and Staff. - receive research funds, including start-up expenses, of up to 10 million yen per year. - be assigned a dedicated research assistant (e.g., a Part-time Researcher, Assistant Technical Staff). - be assigned a faculty mentor to provide advice on research activities and access to experimental equipment as needed. - have access to well-equipped research environment, including cutting-edge common equipment, research space for experiments, Facility for iPS Cell Therapy, and Animal Research Facility. - have access to CiRA's support system, which includes offices responsible for secretarial tasks, medical applications, intellectual property management, dissemination of research findings, and acquisition and management of research funding, ensuring an environment that allows researchers to focus on their studies.
Job requirements	Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in medicine, dentistry, pharmacology, or science and engineering (preferably obtained approximately within the past seven years). No prior research experience or achievement in iPS cells is required.

Contract period	A five-year term (non-renewable) starting from the earliest possible date after December 1, 2024. However, depending on performance during this period, there may be opportunities for career advancement at the Institute. (The start date is negotiable; the earliest possible start date is preferred.)
Probationary period	Six months
Working conditions	 Regular faculty staff of Kyoto University (full-time Junior Associate Professor• limited-term) Salaries, etc. are determined based on the Kyoto University standards in accordance with capabilities and backgrounds. Discretionary work system for specialist staff (38 hours and 45 minutes/week, 7 hours and 45 minutes/day) 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. (break 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)/ 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, and the anniversary of foundation holiday. Social insurance: Health Insurance of MEXT Mutual Aid Association, employee pension insurance, industrial accident compensation insurance, and employment insurance.
Deadline for application	Monday, August 26, 2024
Documents to be submitted	Please submit the following documents: 1. Curriculum vitae (Form 1) Please attach your face photo on the CV and write the email address and telephone number by which we can unfailingly contact you. 2. List of research achievements or other professional achievements (publications, presentations, acquired research funds, patents, roles engaged in, etc.) (Form 2) 3. Outlines of past research progress, research results, or work you have taken charge of (Form 3) 4. Research plan (Form 4) 5. Essay in approx. 2000 words (No designated form) Please choose one topic from the below and express your opinion. • Future of Life Sciences and Medicine • Science and Ethics • My career as a scientist in next ten years 6. Recommendation (up to two referees) (optional) • Please use the Forms 1 through 4 for the documents 1 through 4. If you do not find appropriate items in the Forms when documenting your professional

achievements, please add the necessary items to the Forms as needed.

You will find the Forms for downloading at:
 http://www.cira.kyoto-u.ac.jp/j/images/pdf/Application_Forms.zip
 **Additional information may be requested in the process of screening.

Contact

Please send application documents by mail or e-mail to the following address. Personnel Section, Center for iPS Cell Research and Application, Kyoto University 53 Kawahara-cho, Shogoin, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606-8507, Japan

E-mail: jinji-admi*cira.kyoto-u.ac.jp (Please change * to @)

Phone: 075-366-7309

Please clearly indicate "Application for CiRA Project for Discovering and Developing Future Independent Researchers" on the envelope or in the subject line of the email.

For inquiries regarding the job description, working conditions, etc., please contact us at the following address. Ensure the subject line reads: "Application for CiRA Project for Discovering and Developing Future Independent Researchers".

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Selection method

After the screening of documents, an interview will be conducted. Applicants will be contacted by email or in writing at a later date for further details. During the interview, applicants may be asked to give a presentation on the contents of their research plan, etc. (If a presentation is requested, the Institute will cover domestic travel and accommodation expenses. The amount paid will be based on the Kyoto University Rules for the Provision of Travel Expenses. In some cases, the presentation may be conducted online.)

The results of the review will be notified to the applicants by email or in writing as soon as a decision is made.

Gender equality

Kyoto University promotes gender equality. As part of the university's measure to promote gender equality, Kyoto University prioritizes employing women when the candidates get the same evaluation at selection, based on Article 8 of the Act on Securing, Etc. of Equal Opportunity and Treatment between Men and Women in Employment (Equal Employment Opportunity Act).

As for the period during which the research was discontinued due to childbirth, childrearing, or caregiving, please describe the details in the curriculum vitae as the review is performed in consideration of its content and the period.

Others

Submitted documents shall be used just for the selection, and never be disclosed, transferred, or lent to the third party without due reasons.

Please be advised that submitted documents shall not be returned.

Kyoto University is working to prevent passive smoking, by prohibiting indoor smoking on all campuses and also outside smoking except in designated areas.

We are looking forward to your application.