

**This grant call summary is based on the original grant call document written in Japanese.  
This has been translated into English for potential international research counterparts.**



**Japan Program for Infectious Diseases Research and Infrastructure  
(Interdisciplinary Cutting-edge Research)  
Grant Call Summary**

For inquiries please contact the grant call applicant from Japan who should refer to the main grant call document (Japanese).

**Research funder:** Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED)  
**Program name:** Japan Program for Infectious Diseases Research and Infrastructure (Interdisciplinary Cutting-edge Research)  
**Program website:** [https://www.amed.go.jp/en/program/list/15/01/001\\_001.html](https://www.amed.go.jp/en/program/list/15/01/001_001.html)  
**Grant call page (Japanese):** [https://www.amed.go.jp/koubo/15/01/1501B\\_00050.html](https://www.amed.go.jp/koubo/15/01/1501B_00050.html)  
**Open date:** April 8, 2021  
**Close date:** May 21, 2021  
**Funding:** Maximum 12,000,000 JPY per year  
**Research funding period:** July 2021 - March 2024  
**Inquiries:** Please contact the grant call applicant directly.

**Japan Program for Infectious Diseases Research and Infrastructure (Interdisciplinary Cutting-edge Research) program overview:**

The Interdisciplinary Cutting-edge Research program supports basic research on the control of emerging and reemerging infectious diseases that integrates multiple disciplines and is conducted by researchers and clinicians in diverse fields. This will enable new concepts to be established for prevention, diagnosis, and treatment based on the understanding of the pathogenesis of infectious diseases.

To support a wide range of novel basic research that will contribute to countermeasures against infectious diseases from a long-term perspective, funded research projects involve researchers and clinicians from diverse fields to discover new perspectives and create innovative results using the latest technologies.

**International overseas research counterpart:**

International cooperation and working across national borders are paramount to tackling infectious diseases that are global threats. Therefore, in this grant call one requirement is the proposed research plan includes cooperation with an overseas research counterpart. The research field or their level of contribution is not determined.

**Research funding:**

AMED will only be able to provide research funding to the principal investigator (PI) in Japan. **AMED cannot provide research funding for overseas research counterparts who will need to arrange their own funding.**

- AMED will cover travel expenses for the PI and his research members in Japan to visit their overseas research counterpart's country.
- It is possible for the PI to purchase equipment and reagents necessary for research activities they will use overseas with AMED funding, e.g. for use during a visit abroad that they will use. Here, the PI will need to arrange everything by themselves including ordering, delivery, inspection, payment, and documenting their expenses.

There are some circumstances where funding from AMED can be used for international counterparts:

- If the PI invites the overseas research counterpart to Japan for research activities and gaining expertise, then the travel expenses for the overseas research counterpart can be covered by AMED funding.
- If their work does not involve intellectual property, then it is possible to outsource work to the overseas research counterpart.