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# 2021-2022 Interstellar Initiative

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*Application deadline June 21, 2021 11:59 PM EDT*

## **A Unique Opportunity for Early Career Faculty/Investigators**

The *Interstellar Initiative* recognizes the world's most promising early career faculty and connects them with peers to develop a solution to a major research question, under the guidance of established scientists. The aim is to foster international and interdisciplinary collaboration and thereby catalyze discovery.

The 2021-2022 series of workshops will address challenges in **Healthy Longevity**. Applications are invited from Early Career Faculty who have backgrounds in five broad categories:

1. Clinical Research
2. Life Sciences
3. Physical Sciences
4. Technology
5. Allied Health

## **Location**

New York Academy of Sciences  
7 World Trade Center  
250 Greenwich Street  
40<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007

*\*Applicants will have the option to participate virtually*

## **Application Guidelines and Instructions**

[nyas.org/InterstellarSept2021](https://nyas.org/InterstellarSept2021)

Application Portal: <https://interstellarnyas.smapply.io/>

Please email [interstellar@nyas.org](mailto:interstellar@nyas.org) with additional questions.

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## **Presented By**



Japan Agency for Medical Research  
and Development

***"I am really grateful to have met my team members. We developed plenty of great ideas and continue working closely together. It would not have happened without this workshop."***

Interstellar Initiative 2018-19 participant



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## How It Works

Accepted applicants will be grouped into teams of three. The first workshop will take place on **September 10-12, 2021**, where teams will develop a grant proposal, centered on a novel scientific research question, under the guidance of a senior researcher. Teams will present their proposals and top teams will be recognized at the close of the workshop. **All teams will receive a modest funding award from the Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (AMED)** to further enhance their proposals. At the second workshop, **February 24-25, 2022**, teams will prepare their proposals for submission to international funding agencies.



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*\*All participants will be reimbursed for eligible travel expenses, and virtual participation will be available for those unable to travel.*

***"There's an earnest desire to ensure young, promising junior faculty do not make the same mistakes that we made, and that they benefit from our experiences. An experienced scientist can explain how to think about grant proposals in the way that critical reviewers think about them."***

Noriyuki Kasahara, MD, PhD, University of California, San Francisco and Interstellar Initiative mentor