

Filling out a research proposal application (forms)

(PRESTO-Form 1)

Research Proposal of Individual Type Research (PRESTO)

Proposed Research Area	
Research Subject (in approximately 10 words in English)	
Name of Researcher	
Institute to which applicant belongs	
Number of Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research	(Enter "0" if not applicable.)
Academic Records (University and higher education)	<p>Example:</p> <p>19 xx __: Graduated from __ Department of __ University.</p> <p>19 xx __: Completed a master course in __ at __ University.</p> <p>19 xx __: Completed a doctoral course in __ at __ University</p> <p>19 xx __: Obtained a doctor's degree in __ at __ University.</p>
Research Experience (Major jobs and studies)	<p>Example:</p> <p>19 xx to 19 xx_: Assistant __, Department of __ University. Conducted research on __.</p> <p>19 xx to 19 xx_: Research __, __ Section, __ Research Institute. Engaged in research on __.</p> <p>19 xx to 19 xx_: Lecturer at __ Department of __ University. Conducted research on __.</p>
Preferences about the place of the research	<input type="checkbox"/> The institute the researcher belongs to currently <input type="checkbox"/> Other (The place of the research: _____)

- **Research Area to apply for**
Only one (1) research proposal may be submitted for all research areas in which applications are invited this year.
- **Preferences about the place of the research:** Please Check-mark the place planned for the research.
*We will consult with you about your system for conduct of your research after you have been accepted. We are also willing to consult with you, if required, before you submit your proposal.

(PRESTO-Form 2)

Outline of Research Subject

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Summarize the main points of your “Research Concept” (PRESTO-Form 3) in approximately 200 words in English.

● Proposal keywords

Select up to five (5) keywords that should help explain the Research Subject from the keyword list (Appendix 1) attached at the end of this volume. Write those keywords and their numbers. If no applicable keywords are available in the list, write your own keyword(s) with an asterisk (*) at the beginning.

Example: No. 1: Gene, No. 2: Genome, No. 10: Cytogenesis and differentiation, * XXX

● Research field

Select one (1) main research field and one (1) to three (3) sub-field(s) that best describe the fields into which the Research Subject is categorized from the research field list (Appendix 2) attached at the end of this volume. Write their numbers and research categories.

Example: Main research field: No. 101: Genome

Sub-field(s): No. 102: Medicine and medical care, No. 104: Brain sciences

● References

Provide the names of two (2) individuals who have good knowledge of your Research Subject (A non-Japanese person is acceptable). Write each person’s name, institution and contact information (phone/fax numbers and e-mail address). The evaluators (Research Supervisor and Research Area Advisors) might contact them in reference to the research proposal during the process of screening (preliminary evaluation). Providing this reference information is not mandatory.

(PRESTO-Form 3)

Research Concept

(Please write in a fashion that is easy for evaluators to understand. To this end, add graphics and tables where necessary)

I. Research Concept

(The length should be approximately five(5) A4-size pages. However, necessary and sufficient description is more important. For that reason, the quantity is not fixed.)

Please describe the research objectives, concrete background (how you have come up with the research concept; how it is related to the studies you have conducted so far), the originality/novelty, comparison with similar studies (including research trends in related fields in your country and overseas), the details of your research (including objectives and need) and how to conduct your research (specific research tasks and how to carry them out; problems expected to be seen in the process of achieving the goal and solutions to them) on an item-by-item.

II. Impact and future prospects of the research

(The length should be approximately one(1) A4-size page, but that limit is not fixed.)

Please describe the expected research results and their impact (future prospects, possible intellectual properties, creation of a new technology, and other social contributions expected).

(PRESTO -Form 4)

List of research papers and literary works

- **Major literature**

Select approximately ten(10) of the most important research papers or literary works from those published in academic publications in recent years and list them in reverse-chronological order of the year of publication. Place an asterisk (*) at the beginning of the title of the paper/books of which the applicant is the chief author.

Items mentioned (in random order)

Author(s) (List all authors), title of the paper published, publication in which the paper was published, volume and page numbers and publication year

- **Bibliography**

List any relevant literary works that are necessary for understanding your research proposal. (Place an asterisk (*) at the beginning of the title of the paper/books for which the applicant is the chief author (if any)).

Items mentioned (in random order)

Author(s) (List all authors), title of the paper published, publication in which the paper was published, volume and page numbers and publication year

(PRESTO -Form 5)

Patent list

- **Major patents**

Select approximately five(5) important patents applied for by the Research Director in recent years (if any).

Items mentioned (in random order)

application number, inventor, title of invention, applicant and date of application

[When the patent has not applied, presentation of this page is unnecessary.]

Grants from Other Aid Programs

List grants from the government Competitive Research Funds and any other research subsidies that the Applicants are currently receiving, applying for, or planning to apply for by program name, indicating the Research Subject title, amount of research expense, research period and roles (representative, participant, etc.). Your entitlement to the JST funds might be cancelled on a later day even if you have been selected should your presentation fail to be accurate.

< Note: Please notify JST at the contact point indicated at the end of this volume if, at any time during the selection process of research proposals for this program, any information provided in this form has changed for any reason, including, for example, that other research subsidies being applied for and/or those planned for application have been granted.>

Example:

Program	Research Subject	Research Expense (in 000 yen)	Research period	Roles (representative/ participants)
Grants-in-Aid for Young Scientists (A)	_____	8,000/yr	2005–2006	Research Director

{ Add/reduce rows as necessary. }

(PRESTO-Form7)

Write freely the reason(s) why you have applied for the Basic Research Programs, any requests concerning your research, or any other concerns that you might have.

(Use this space to write the reason(s) if you request that your research take place overseas.)