August 2017, Research Division

**AY2018 Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (Open Recruitment in September 2017)**

**Self-Check Sheet for Confirming Application Requirements for "Early-Career Scientists"**

* Starting from AY2018, the current "Young Scientists (B)" will be renamed "Early-Career Scientists," and the application requirements will be changed from the conventional "Age (39 or under)" to "Years after acquiring a doctorate degree (less than 8 years)" (as a transitional measure, persons 39 years of age or under who have not acquired a doctorate degree can apply).
* As a result, regarding prospective applicants for "Early-Career Scientists" who have acquired a doctorate degree, the Research Office must confirm the date they acquired their doctorate degree and register it in e-Rad in advance (the researcher himself/herself cannot input data into e-Rad).
* Prospective applicants for "Early-Career Scientists" should perform a self-check of the corresponding application requirements based on the **[Application Requirements Check]** below and carry out the necessary procedures.

"Doctorate" in the application requirements for "Early-Career Scientists" refers to a doctorate as a degree. Therefore, it includes dissertation doctorates and degrees equivalent to a doctorate acquired overseas (such as a Ph.D.), but a scientist cannot apply with a doctorate as an honorary title that is not a degree (such as an honorary doctorate). Also, professional graduate school programs are not included in doctoral programs, so a scientist cannot apply with the said degree.

**[Application Requirements Check]**

Eligibility to apply to "Early-Career Scientists" is limited to the persons described below. Those not described below cannot apply.

Select the corresponding application requirements from the choices below. Furthermore, the limitation which limits the same scientist to receiving funds to 2 times will include the times "Young Scientists (S / A / B)" funding was received before this review.

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| **☐** | (1) Persons who, as of April 1, 2018, have acquired their doctorate degree less than 8 years ago (\*) (persons who acquired their doctorate degree between April 2, 2010, and the time of application)(\*) If the applicant has acquired multiple doctorate degrees, this is counted from the date on which the first doctorate degree was acquired. |
| **☐** | (2) Persons who have not acquired a doctorate degree at the time of application but plan to do so by April 1, 2018, and also are 40 years of age or older as of April 1, 2018 |
| **☐** | (3) Persons who acquired a doctorate degree less than 8 years ago (\*) once childcare leave and the like (pre-birth / post-birth maternity leave, childcare leave) taken after acquiring a doctorate degree have been taken into account (round up the sum of the leave taken in academic years and subtract it from the number of years after a doctorate was acquired)(\*) If the applicant has acquired multiple doctorate degrees, this is counted from the date on which the first doctorate degree was acquired. |
| **☐** | (4) [Transitional measure] Persons who have not acquired their doctoral degree as of the time of application, and are also 39 years of age or younger as of April 1, 2018 |

**Persons corresponding to (1) or (3)** ***\*\*Preliminary procedures are required by Tuesday, October 10, 2017.\*\****

**Fill in the required items in "AY2018 Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research - Notification of Date of Acquisition of Doctorate Degree for Application to 'Early-Career Scientists'" on the reverse side of this sheet, and then submit it with a copy of your diploma to the Research Office (can be submitted via e-mail). Furthermore, the copy of the diploma is not limited to paper and can be submitted using photo data.**

After it has been confirmed that you meet the application requirements according to the contents of the notification, the Research Office will contact you via e-mail to tell you that the date you acquired your degree has been registered in e-Rad (you cannot begin creating a "Young Scientists" research plan in the KAKENHI Electronic Application System while the date you acquired your degree is not yet registered in e-Rad).

**Persons corresponding to (2) or (4)**

**Preliminary procedures are not required.**

However, persons corresponding to (2) should fill in the required items on the reverse side of this sheet upon acquiring their doctorate degree and submit it and a copy of their diploma to the Research Office by April 1, 2018. Conversely, please be aware that if the applicant could not acquire a doctorate degree by April 1, 2018, they must withdraw their grant application, even if it is adopted for "Early-Career Scientists."

End

**AY2018 Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research - Notification of Date of Acquisition of Doctorate Degree for Application to "Early-Career Scientists"**

<Submission deadline: Tuesday, October 10, 2017>

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| Researcher ID Number (8-digit numeral) |  |
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| I acquired a doctorate degree on |  | (MM) |  | (DD) |  | (YYYY) | , as shown on the  |
| attached copy of my diploma. In accordance with this, I request that you register the date I acquired my doctorate degree in e-Rad. |

[Be sure to check either (1) or (2), and (3). Check (4) only if it applies.]

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| **☐** | (1) I have only acquired the doctorate degree for which the diploma copy is attached. |
| **☐** | (2) I have acquired multiple doctorate degrees, and the diploma copy attached is for the doctorate degree I first acquired. |
| **☐** | (3) I have received "Young Scientists (S / A / B)" funding either 0 times or 1 time by AY2017. |
| **☐** | (4) The childcare leave and the like (pre-birth / post-birth maternity leave, childcare leave) I have taken after acquiring a doctorate degree is as shown below, and after taking it into account (round up the sum of the leave taken in academic years and subtract it from the number of years after a doctorate was acquired), I acquired a doctorate degree less than 8 years ago.- Period for childcare leave and the like: From / / to / / (MM/DD/YYYY)- Period for childcare leave and the like: From / / to / / (MM/DD/YYYY)- Period for childcare leave and the like: From / / to / / (MM/DD/YYYY) |

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**< Location to submit this sheet and copy of the diploma (can be submitted via e-mail) >**

**We may contact you to confirm the contents of the notification.**

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