

Application Guide for the NIMS Postdoctoral Fellowship 2008
- Second Recruitment -

1. Objectives

- 1) To provide opportunities for young postdoctoral researchers that helps them to advance their own research with the guidance of their NIMS host researchers.
- 2) To offer excellent human resources as well-qualified and motivated young researchers to the NIMS host research groups, especially for the groups with female host researchers and junior host researchers so that it can enhance leading-edge research in NIMS,.
- 3) To support the career path of female postdoctoral researchers with a view to realizing a gender equality society promoted by the government.

2. Fellow Status

The status of the fellow at NIMS shall be "NIMS postdoctoral researcher" in the Employment Regulation for Fixed-Term Researchers.

3. Fellow Eligibility

Each candidate for the Fellowship must:

- 1) Hold a doctorate degree when the Fellowship goes into effect, which must have been received within ten years prior to the appointment date.
- 2) Have published about one original paper per year since the commencement of his/her doctoral program.
- 3) Not apply if he or she is a NIMS postdoctoral researcher and his/her job tenure exceeds one year as of the day before the appointment date.
- 4) Not reapply if he or she has been awarded this Fellowship.

4. NIMS Host Researcher Eligibility

Each NIMS host researcher for the Fellowship MUST:

- 1) Be a permanent researcher.
- 2) Not be granted for this Fellowship as of October 1, 2008.
- 3) Supervise the candidate postdoctoral researcher by himself/herself. If not, awarding will be ceased.

5. Selection Process and Notification

- 1) The selection committee organized by some members and designated by the President will screen the candidates.
- 2) Female candidates would be given favorable consideration in accordance with the policy to support female researchers.
- 3) The executive board determines successful candidates from the list made by the selection committee.

6. Number of Fellowships

About 8 Fellowships will be granted.

- For female NIMS host researcher 2
- For junior NIMS host researchers 3
- For other NIMS host researchers 3

Note : “Junior NIMS host researchers” should be less than forty years old as of April 1, 2008.

7. Duration and Commencement of Fellowships

- 1) Successful candidates must start the Fellowship at NIMS between October 1 2008 and March 31, 2009.
- 2) Fellowships are awarded for a period of 2 years from the beginning of work at NIMS as the position of the NIMS postdoctoral researcher. Even if the contract as the NIMS postdoctoral researcher is extended, the fellowship is NOT applied to the extended duration.

8. Terms of Award

A monthly salary of ¥376,380.

9. Application Procedure

NIMS host researcher must fill in the attached application form and send it to the E-mail address below no later than noon, July 31, 2008.

E-mail: MINETA.Hajime@nims.go.jp

10. Research Report

The fellow and his/her NIMS host researcher must submit a research report within

two weeks of the completion of the fellowship tenure to the President's Office.

11. Contact

About the fellowship: Mr. Hajime Mineta (Ext. 2771) at the President's Office.

About administration of the awardees' : Personel Affairs Division.