## Application and Presentation for the Young Investigator Award at the 96th Annual Meeting

We would like to inform you about the application for the Young Investigator Award (YIA) for the 96th Annual Meeting. The 96th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Tissue Culture Association (JTCA) will accept applications for the YIA, the purpose of which is to " Encourage promising researchers who are members of JTCA to conduct research related to tissue and cell culture and revitalize JTCA."

The YIA is intended for students and researchers in the early stages of their career development who meet the following eligibility requirements. We hope that students and researchers who meet the eligibility requirements will actively apply for the award at the 96th Annual Meeting.

## 1. Applicants must meet the following criteria

- Applicants must be a member of the Japanese Tissue Culture Association at the time of application.
- -As of April 1 of the year of the meeting, Applicants must be a researcher who has graduated in graduate school for less than 10 years or a student currently enrolled in graduate school as of April 1 of the year of the meeting.
- Applicants must be the first author of the presentation to be presented at the 96th Annual Meeting.
- The applicant must not have received must not have received a YIA before.
- Those who have previously applied for YIA but were not awarded the award may not reapply with the same abstract (but may reapply with a different abstract (including an abstract that expands on the research content of the previous abstract and includes other content)).

## 2. Application

Please download the application form from the convention website and complete the required information. The application requires the recommendation of a JTCA council member. No seal or signature of the recommender is required, but the recommender's approval is required. If you are unsure about JTCA council member, please contact us. Please send the application materials as an attachment to an email to "6. Application and Inquiries. If your abstract is accepted as a YIA candidate, you will be asked to submit your abstract via the Annual Meeting website.

Notification of acceptance or rejection as a YIA candidate abstract will be made by mid-February.

3. Deadline of application.

January 31, 2024

Please do NOT submit to online registration BEFORE the approval of application by YIA office.

## 4. Presentation

Candidates who pass the screening process will be invited to give oral presentations at the Annual meeting. Details will be announced on the 96th Annual Meeting website in the future.

- 5. If awarded, the awardee will be required to take the following actions.
  - (1) To submit the comments of impression for getting the Young Investigator Award to Newsletter of Japanese Tissue Culture Association soon after the Annual Meeting,
  - (2) To submit the paper (regular articles or review articles) to "Tissue Culture Research Communications" by the consistent title applied to Young Investigator Award after the Annual Meeting.
- 6. Contact for applications and inquiries.

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