

Public Interest Incorporated Foundation
The NOVARTIS Foundation (Japan) for the Promotion of Science
Business Report & Financial Statements

Fiscal 2022 (36th fiscal year) (April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)

The Foundation was established on September 4, 1987 with the approval of the Minister of Education and Culture and was converted to a public interest foundation on April 1, 2012 with the approval of the Cabinet Office. Since its establishment, the Foundation has been providing public service to the public, and the current status of its operations, general affairs and accounts for fiscal year 2022 (the 36th fiscal year) are as follows

I. Business Situations

1. The 36th Novartis Research Grant

The purpose of the grant is to support creative research conducted in Japan in the fields of biological and life sciences and related chemistry and information science. We requested nominations of candidates from 612 persons, including the heads of national, public and private universities, research institutes and affiliated hospitals, as well as trustees and councilors of the Foundation, and received 245 nominations. The Selection Committee selected 39 candidates (plus two runners-up), and the Board of Trustees made the decision. A total of 39 million yen was awarded in April 2023, with each award amounting to 1 million yen. The ratio of adoption was 6.3 times.

2. Research Meeting Grant

The purpose of the grant is to support research meetings of international interest held in Japan in the fields of biological and life sciences and related chemistry and information science.

FY2022 Meeting : Five candidates (one runner-up) were selected by the Selection Committee from 17 applications, and the decision was made by the Board of Trustees (adoption ratio: 3.4 times). The recipients received 400,000 yen each, for a total of 2 million yen, in April 2023.

3. Annual Report Publication

In order to broaden understanding and support for the Foundation's activities, 150 CD copies and 47 books of the annual report were prepared, and distributed to grant recipients and related parties. The annual report included reports on the results of the 34th (2020) research grant recipients, reports on the 2020 research meetings, and the status of the Foundation's activities, and was also posted on the website for public access.

II. General Affairs Overview

1. Trustees, Auditors, Councilors and Selection Committee members

The list of Trustees, Auditors, Councilors and Selection Committee members as of May 1, 2023 is on a separate page.

2. Meetings of the Foundation (Board Meeting of Trustees, Board Meeting of Councilors and Grant Selection Committee)

1) 30th Board of Trustees Meeting (May 24, 2022) at Daiichi Hotel Tokyo “Cosmos”

Number of Directors 5 (Quorum: 3): Attendees: 4 Directors, 1 Auditors

Proposal 1: Business Report and Settlement of Accounts for FY2021 (Approval of the original proposal)

Proposal 2: Resignation and appointment of selection committee members for FY2022 (Resolved and approved 2 resignations, 2 replacements, and 4 reappointments)

Proposal 3: Confirm the application guidelines for Novartis Research Grant and Research Meetings for FY2022

Proposal 4: Internal regulation for Food and Beverage

Proposal 5: Convening of the 15th Meeting of the Board of Councilors (Approval of the original proposal)

1) Matters to be reported: Report on the execution of duties by the Representative Trustee, and status report on the results and achievements of the Research Grants and Research Meetings

2) 15th Meeting of the Board of Councilors (June 15, 2022) at Daiichi Hotel Tokyo “Flora”

Number of Councilors: 10 (Quorum: 6): 9 Councilors in attendance

Proposal 1: Business Report and Settlement of Accounts for FY2021 (Approval of the original proposal)

Proposal 2: Appointment of Trustees (Approval of the original proposal)

Proposal 3: Election of Signatories to the Minutes (Approval of the original proposal)

Report: Business Plan and Budget for FY2022 • Retirement and election of selection committee members; • The Application Guidelines for the 36th Novartis Research Grants for Priority Research Areas, Results of the 31st-34th Novartis Research Grants

3) 31st Board of Trustees Meeting (June 15, 2022) Deemed Resolution

Number of Trustees 5 (Quorum: 3) : # of participated in the resolution: 5 Trustees, 2 Auditors

Proposal 1: Appointment of Representative Trustee (Approval of the original proposal)

3) Eleventh Selection Committee Meeting (December 16, 2022) at Tokyo Kaikan LEVEL XXI

Number of Selection Committee members: 20 (Quorum: 11): 16 members in attendance

Agenda 1: Selection of the 36th Novartis Research Grants for FY2022 (37 grants and 4 alternates were selected)

Agenda 2: Selection of Research Meeting Grants for FY 2022 (5 grants and 1 runner-up selected)

4) 32nd Board of Trustees Meeting (February 13, 2023) at Tokyo Kaikan Main Building “Iris”

Number of Trustees 5 (Quorum: 3): Attendees: 5 Trustees, 2 Auditors

Proposal 1: Determination of recipients of the 36th Novartis Research Grants and Meeting Grants for FY2022 (Approval of the original proposal)

Proposal 2: Business plan and budget for FY2023 (Approval of original proposal)
Proposal 3: Renewal of the designated institutions of the Novartis Research Grants for FY2023 (Approval of the original proposal)
Proposal 4: Election Policy for Selection Committee Members for FY2023
Proposal 5: Selection Committee Revision of Operating rules
Report: Report on the status of execution of duties by Representative Trustee. Result of on-site Inspection by the Cabinet Office

3. Matters related to donations

The Foundation received a general donation of 40 million yen from Novartis Pharma K.K., for a total of 40 million yen.

III. Financial statement (FY 2022)

Ordinary income includes 17.44 million yen and 0.65 million yen from the management of basic assets and other assets, respectively, and 40 million yen from donations, for a total ordinary income of 58.10 million yen.

The total ordinary expenses were 51.40 million yen in operating expenses and 3.95 million yen in administrative expenses, for a total ordinary expense of 55.35 million yen.

Operating expenses accounted for 92.9% of recurring expenses, and subsidies of 41 million yen accounted for 79.8% of operating expenses.

The operating expenses were in the black by 0.6 million yen.

Total net assets for the period totaled 1,164.88 million yen, an increase of 2.74 million yen from the previous period.

The Foundation did not raise funds (borrowing) or make any capital investments in fiscal 2022.