

**The NOVARTIS Foundation (Japan) for the Promotion of Science**  
**(Public Interest Incorporated Foundation)**  
**Activity Plan for FY2024**  
(Apr 1, 2024 - Mar 31, 2025)

**1. Basic Policy of the Business Activity**

The foundation does the following business to contribute the progress of science and development of welfare in this country through promotion of research and international exchanges in the area of biology, life sciences, related chemistry and information science.

- 1) Grants for the research (Articles of incorporation, Article 4-1-1)
- 2) Hosting and granting international conference academic lecture presentation, symposium, seminar, research meeting and workshop (Article, 4-1-2)
- 3) Support to international exchange (Article, 4-1-3)
- 4) Publication of the annual report (Article, 4-1-4)
- 5) Other activities necessary to achieve the objectives (Article, 4-2)

**2. Business Plan**

**1) Novartis Research Grant (Articles of Incorporation, Article 4-1-1)**

- (1) Scheme: Grants for creative research conducted in Japan in the field of biology / life science, which chemistry and information science related to (the 38th Novartis Research Grant)
- (2) Budget: Total JPY 36 Mio Yen (1 million Yen for each, 36)
- (3) Nomination: Presidents, deans and directors of Universities, research institutes and hospitals, and board member (trustees and former trustees/councilors) of the Foundation could nominate candidates.
- (4) Application: Jul 1 to Sep 13, 2024
- (5) Qualification: researcher with Ph.D belong to Universities or Institutes
- (6) Selection: The selection committee selects candidates followed by final decision of the board of trustees.

**2) Grants for Research Meeting (Article, 4-1-2, 3)**

- (1) Scheme: This is granted to an international meeting in the same area.
- (2) Budget: Total JPY 2 Mio Yen (0.4 Million Yen for each, 5),
- (3) Public Offering
- (4) Application: Jul 1 to Sep 13, 2024

(5) Selection: The selection committee selects candidates followed by the final decision of the board of trustees.

3) **Publication of Annual report (Article, 4-1-4)**

(1) Purpose: Annual report is published to provide information about the foundation.

(2) Issuance: 50 copies are prepared to distribute to grantees, 90 postcards to people involved in the foundation and the same contents are posted on the foundation's web page for public access.

(3) Publishing: Nov 2024

(4) Budget: JPY 400,000 Yen

3. **Prospects for fundraising (borrowing) and capital investment**

Prospects for fundraising:

No plans for fundraising during the FY2024.

Capital Expenditure Projections:

No capital expenditures (including disposal or sale) are expected during the FY2024.