Application and Presentation for the Young Investigator Award at the 97th Annual Meeting.

We would like to inform you about the Young Investigator Award (YIA) application process at the 97th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Tissue Culture Association (JTCA). The aim of YIA is to encourage research by promising researchers affiliated with the society who are conducting research related to tissue and cell culture and revitalizing the society.

The YIA is open to students and researchers in the early stages of their careers who meet the following application criteria. We hope students and researchers who meet the application criteria will actively apply for the award at the 97th Annual Meeting.

1. Applicants must meet the following criteria

- Applicants must be a Japanese Tissue Culture Association member at the time of application.
- As of April 1 of the year of the meeting, Applicants must be a researcher who has graduated from 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 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 members, please contact us. Please attach the application materials to an email to "6. Application and Inquiries. If your abstract is accepted as a YIA candidate, you will be asked to submit it via the Annual Meeting website.

Acceptance or rejection as a YIA candidate abstract will be notified by mid-May.

3. Deadline for application.

April 30, 2025

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

4. Presentation

Candidates who pass the application screening process will be invited to give oral presentations at the Annual meeting. Details will be announced on the 97th Annual Meeting website in the future.

- 5. If awarded, the awardee must take the following actions.
 - (1) To submit the comments of impression for getting the Young Investigator Award to the Newsletter of the 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 the Young Investigator Award after the Annual Meeting.
- 6. Contact for applications and inquiries.

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