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## **Daiichi Sankyo Sponsored Research**

### **Guidelines for Application**

Application is on email basis. For inquiry, please contact Masakatsu Suzuki, PhD  
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Eligibility: Researchers affiliated with universities and research institutions, who have ideas which may lead to drug discovery. The program is not open to undergraduate or graduate students.

Research Budget: up to \$250,000 for one year including overhead/indirect costs (Subject to USD-JPY exchange rate)

Term: 1-3 years. Successful program(s) will be considered for staging into collaborative research.

Selection Criteria:

- Matching needs (Research interests)
- Originality and uniqueness of research
- Drug discovery potential
- Feasibility of research plan
- Non-redundancy with Daiichi Sankyo's internal research projects and current collaboration

Deadline: Rolling application (till March 2024)

### **Research Interests**

#### **Oncology**

- I. Innovative therapeutics or technologies employing non-invasive, external forces
- II. Novel targeted protein degradation technologies such as tumor/tissue selective E3 ligands and molecular glues
- III. Novel modalities (not including liposome or peptides) that allow for tumor-specific and repeated delivery of payloads including DNA/RNA/protein/small molecule
- IV. Novel, biologically-tractable, tumor-associated antigens and their antibodies
- V. Novel IO targets for which mechanisms are confirmed in human-derived samples
- VI. Allogenic adoptive cell-therapy technologies that can successfully treat solid tumors

#### **Non-Oncology**

- I. Novel disease relevant targets for autoimmune diseases, neurogenerative protein-misfolding diseases including neuro-inflammation, psychiatric diseases, rare diseases and ophthalmological disorders (AMD, RP and PDR)
- II. Technologies for patient stratification in psychiatric diseases and for antigen-specific immune tolerance induction
- III. In vitro models to identify and validate novel targets for autism spectrum disorder
- IV. Drug delivery system to brain tissue



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V. RNA targeting small molecules & editing technologies

Further information is available on our website below.

[https://www.daiichisankyo.com/rd/strategy\\_operations/open\\_innovation/our\\_interests/](https://www.daiichisankyo.com/rd/strategy_operations/open_innovation/our_interests/)

**Parallel Application to Other non-Daiichi Sankyo Grants**

Public Grant

DS may accept an application for a research topic by an individual that has already applied for a public grant for such research topic so long as the applicable intellectual property is controlled by either the PI and/or university.

Pharma-Sponsored Grant

DS may accept an application for a research topic by an individual that has already applied for a private grant for such research topic, but DS reserves the right to decline such application for any reason, including if such individual accepts a private grant.