

The Japanese Society of Gastroenterology

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Prof. Malcolm Arnold President New Zealand Society of Gastroenterology 4th Floor, RACP College Office, 99 The Terrace PO Box 10-601, 6143 Wellington New Zealand

Dear Prof. Malcolm Arnold,

Invitation to Nominate One Candidate for Participation in the Research Fellowship Program Award of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology ("JSGE Research Fellowship Program Award") in 2020

The objective of the Research Fellowship Program Award of the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology is to foster closer cooperation with its Asian partners in advancing knowledge and skills in gastroenterology by providing training opportunities in Japan to promising young gastroenterologists in their countries.

This program first started in 1997, since then it has greatly contributed to promote close relationship between JSGE and respective gastroenterological societies in Asian countries. We renewed this program in 2004 to enhance the quality and increase accessibility by all the Asian countries.

We will invite our Asian national partner societies to nominate one candidate per society for final selection by the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology for three or four Japanese institutes in the educational program for three to five-month training up to the end of November each year. This means that we cannot guarantee the societies forwarding their nominations to us of any places in the program. Competition among the national society-recommended nominees may be intense in the final selection process in Japan. This is why we advise care in the selection of nominees by the national societies.

For more details, please refer to the attached program guide and application form.



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We would be very grateful if you could kindly assist us in ensuring that our program will successfully meet its objectives by:

- 1. Publicizing this program and inviting applications in your country through appropriate media facilities available to you such as your newsletter, website, press release, etc.;
- 2. Receiving and screening applications, and
- 3. Selecting one applicant as your nominee and notifying us of this nominee by air mail or air courier service together with his/her application and your letter of recommendation by <u>the closing date of November 30, 2019</u>. Please note that the application must reach the Japanese Society of Gastroenterology at the following address no later than the said date:

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Your indispensable support will be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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