



JSPS POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS 2026

NOTES FOR REFEREES

Applicants are responsible for sending this document, a copy of their JSPS application form, and information about the JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowships program to a referee who agrees to provide the applicant with a supporting letter of reference.

Referees are asked to address the following points:

- Is your field of research the same as the applicant's?
- Discuss your view of the scientific merit of the proposal.
- Describe the appropriateness of the work being conducted in Japan, and the value of the expected outcome of the research project to Australian science. For example, the extent to which the visit will improve Australian access to global science and technology, including facilities, equipment, and data not available in Australia, or more advanced than is available in Australia.
- Describe the demonstrated achievements of the applicant in their career to date, and how you believe the fellowship will contribute to the development of the applicant's career.
- Would the fellowship initiate or consolidate longer-term collaborations between Australia and Japan?
- Please declare your connections with the applicant regarding joint publications.

The signed referee report should be on an institution letterhead and sent electronically to the applicant for inclusion in the grant application.

Thank you for your consideration of the proposal