

**“The Accessible Date to the Electronic Application System”
Regarding the FY2026 Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-up**

When applying for the grant, it is necessary to access the Electronic Application System using e-Rad ID and password to prepare the Research Proposal Documents. Therefore, if the applicant has not yet obtained an ID and password, he/she must obtain ID, password, and eligibility for KAKENHI application from his/her research institution at first.

The date when researchers can access the Electronic Application System is the day following the date that eligibility for KAKENHI application is obtained on e-Rad. Applicants must obtain eligibility for KAKENHI application by the day before the deadline for the submission (May 7 (Thu.),2026).

When the research institution submits “Background Description Regarding the Eligibility for Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-up” (hereinafter referred to as “Background Description”) (submission deadline: May 1, 2026 (Friday), 12:00 pm (This deadline should be strictly observed)), the first date that an applicant can access the Electronic Application System will depend on the dates that “Background Description” arrives at JSPS. For details, see the following table. (See page 38 - 40 and 62 – 63 of the Application Procedures for the “Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-up”)

	Date that “Background Description” arrives at JSPS		Date and time that Researchers can access the Electronic Application System (tentative)
Period 1	—	2026/3/17 (Tue.)	2026/3/19 (Thu.) (10:00 am)
Period 2	3/18 (Wed.)	— 4/1 (Wed.)	4/3 (Fri.) (10:00 am)
Period 3	4/2 (Thu.)	— 4/8 (Wed.)	4/10 (Fri.) (10:00 am)
Period 4	4/9 (Thu.)	— 4/15 (Wed.)	4/17 (Fri.) (10:00 am)
Period 5	4/16 (Thu.)	— 4/22 (Wed.)	4/24 (Fri.) (10:00 am)
Period 6	4/23 (Thu.)	— 5/1 (Fri.) 12:00 pm	5/1 (Fri.) (5:00 pm)
The deadline for the submission: May 8, 2026 (Friday) 4:30 pm (This deadline should be strictly observed.)			

Note: The deadline for the submission “Background Description” is by 11:59 pm on the last day of each submission period, except for Period 6.

Note: As Research Proposal Document that is submitted (sent) after the deadline will not be accepted by JSPS, please complete the registration (renewal) of the applicants’ researcher information on e-Rad as early as possible, so that they will have sufficient time to submit (send) their Research Proposal Documents.

Note: Application cannot be made for Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-up if new researcher information is registered (renewed) or “Background Description” arrives at JSPS outside the timeframe of the above table.