

Kanazawa University Cancer Research Institute

Position for Professor or Tenure-Track Associate Professor in  
Cancer Research Institute, Kanazawa University

(Application deadline: July 28th, 2025)

*Kanazawa University is an Equal Opportunity Employer and welcomes international and female applicants.*

**The Kanazawa University Cancer Research Institute\*** invites applications for a full-time professor or tenure-track associate professor (principal investigator) position.

\*The Kanazawa University Cancer Research Institute (KU-CRI) bears the distinction of being the only institute solely focused on cancer research amongst the Research Institutes and Centers of Japan National Universities. Its mission is to promote basic research focusing on the "mechanisms of cancer malignancy" so to develop innovative diagnostics and treatments that utilize novel molecules and models, and cultivate professionals who will lead future cancer research and healthcare. In particular, the institute focuses on "understanding of the mechanisms of basic cellular functions," "interdisciplinary research with innovative technology," and "clinical data science", with the goals of (1) discovering new principles of life, (2) understanding the nature of cancer and (3) developing diagnostic and therapeutic methods for cancer. As a core research institute involved in cancer research in Japan, it also promotes joint use and collaborative research.

1. POSITION:

Professor or Tenure-track Associate Professor (principal investigator)

※Description: In principle, 5-year term of contract (For current employee in Kanazawa university, The period of employment at Kanazawa University cannot exceed total 10 years.)

※Renewal of contract requires peer review process. Details are described in 【9. OTHERS】

2. Compensation :

Annual salary system is applied.

3. RESEARCH AREA:

We are inviting applications for one professor or one tenure-track associate professor (principal investigator). The candidate will be required to promote cutting-edge research that contributes to elucidate the mechanism of cancer and develop novel diagnostic and therapeutic methods. We do not limit application to a specific field. However, we welcome applicants who are enthusiastic about building research systems closely linked to clinical practice, for example clinical data science or research utilizing patient-derived tissues and organoids, taking advantage of the fact that this research field is placed in the Takara-machi Campus, where the Graduate School of Medical Sciences and the affiliated hospital are located. Furthermore, you will be involved in pre-graduate and post-graduate professional education in the School of Medicine.

4. DATE OF EMPLOYMENT:

From January 1st, 2026 (immediately after contract of employment)

## 5. QUALIFICATIONS:

- (1) Applicants should have experience in the cancer research or related research fields with a strong publication record.
- (2) Applicants should be cooperative and highly motivated to perform research with faculty and staff members of the Institute.
- (3) Applicants must have a doctoral degree at the latest by the time when the appointment.

## 6. APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Please present the following documents in A4 or US Letter formats in electronic files.

The documents are to be written in Japanese or English.

- a. Curriculum vitae, describing present position, address, phone number, e-mail address, education career, professional career and others
- b. Publication list, including original scientific papers, book chapters, and others
- c. Reprints of selected publications (up to five)
- d. Details of research experiences (about 500 words in English)
- e. Research plan (500 about words in English)
- f. Grant records (last 5 years, name of grant, title and amount should be included)
- g. Contact information of two suggested referees

Please send the application form by e-mail entitled "Application to Professor or Tenure-Track Associate Professor position (Takara-machi Campus) in Cancer Research Institute" to General Affairs Section of Faculty of Pharmacy and Cancer Research Institute Support Division, Kanazawa University.

※Please convert all documents to PDF files, combine them into a ZIP file, and send the ZIP file.

Email: [y-somu@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp](mailto:y-somu@adm.kanazawa-u.ac.jp)

As we cannot receive emails larger than 10 MB, please use an upload site if the size of the ZIP file exceeds 10 MB. Please write "Application to Professor or Tenure-Track Associate Professor position (Takara-machi Campus) in Cancer Research Institute" in the subject of the e-mail. Upon receipt of the e-mail, the administrative staff will promptly acknowledge it. Please contact the administrative staff by phone, if you do not receive a confirmation within two business days.

After reviewing the submitted documents, applicants may be asked for an interview. Please understand that travel expensed for interview will not be reimbursed. If an on-site interview is not feasible, an interview via the Internet will be also possible.

7. APPLICATION DEADLINE:

July 28th, 2025, 17:00 Japan Standard Time

8. CONTACT PERSON:

Dr. Chiaki TAKAHASHI, The chair of selection committee

E-mail: [chtakaha@staff.kanazawa-u.ac.jp](mailto:chtakaha@staff.kanazawa-u.ac.jp)

9. OTHERS:

(1) An assistant professor or research assistant professor position is available in the same laboratory.

(2) Peer review process for reappointment

**【For Professors】**

Reappointment review criteria:

1. Research activities: such as presentations of research papers and conferences
2. Educational activities: such as lectures and research supervision
3. Research funding
4. Contributions to the university and society

**【For Tenure-Track Associate Professor】**

Outline for the standard in making decision on the approval of academic tenure:

1. Scientific achievement in the concerned field is outstanding in both domestic and international research communities.
2. Appropriately planned research is sufficiently achieved.
3. He/She obtains sufficient competitive research funding and performs high research activities.

※Based on the result of intramural examination on academic achievement in research and activity in education, he/she may have opportunity for the reappointment or the promotion to a tenure researcher, after the expiration of one's term of office.

※After being granted tenure, he/she shall be subject to "Regulations Concerning the Term of Office of National University Corporation Kanazawa University Teachers". Based on the internal assessment results on his/her academic and educational achievements, reappointment is possible after the expiration of this term.

(3) Kanazawa University promotes the development of diversity in the research and education environment.

<https://ipdi.w3.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/en/>

(4) Cancer Research Institute welcomes applications from female researchers in accordance with the purport of the Basic Act for Gender Equal Society.

(5) Salaries, etc., are based on Kanazawa University staff salary regulations. Please see the URL below.

<https://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/university/administration/regulation/rules/> (in Japanese)

(6) Main work location is at Takara-machi Campus.