**FY2025 Call for RIKEN ECL Team/Unit Leaders**

RIKEN offers PI positions in RIKEN Early Career Leaders Program for highly talented junior researchers.

**Job title**

* RIKEN ECL Team Leader (roughly equivalent to early career professor)
* RIKEN ECL Unit Leader (roughly equivalent to associate professor/assistant professor)

**Qualifications**

Applicants should be junior researchers who have appropriate knowledge, experience, and abilities to supervise and promote research.

**Research fields**

Natural sciences (including mathematical science and information science) or research areas bordering/blending natural sciences with humanities and social sciences.

**Research environment**

* Annual research budget   
  Team Leader: an average of 30 million yen per fiscal year  
  Unit Leader: an average of 10 million yen per fiscal year  
  Note: In addition to the annual research budget, initial expenses for a lab start-up will be provided.
* Women researchers will be eligible for the [Sechi Kato Program](https://www.riken.jp/en/careers/programs/riken_ecl/index.html#h2Anchor3) and can receive up to 10 million yen in research funding per year in addition to the standard budget.
* Location

The location of the research will be at one of RIKEN's campuses in Japan where RIKEN's research centers are based.

**Start of employment**

Between August 1, 2026, and January 1, 2027. (negotiable)

If you would like to start earlier than the above timeframe, you can negotiate.

**Salary**

* The ECL Team Leader’s annual salary :10.92 million yen
* The ECL Unit Leader’s annual salary :8.52 million yen

If the above salary amount is lower than that of the previous position, the annual salary amount may be adjusted based on a comprehensive consideration.

**Deadline**

* August 7, 2025(noon, Japan time)

**For more information, please visit the website below.**

<https://www.riken.jp/en/careers/programs/riken_ecl/call2025/>​