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1. Qualification of Applicant

Energetic and creative researcher, Malaysian citizen aged below 40, residing in Malaysia, engaged in a basic fundamental scientific research field excluding mathematics and clinical medicine at a research facility in Malaysia, whose work has the potential to contribute greatly to the advancement of science and technology.

2. Research Grant

The Foundation will provide up to about RM300,000 for research grants per year, comprising 10 to 15 grants of not more than RM60,000 each (including 3 to 5 grants from Toray Science Foundation, Japan worth about Yen5 million in total). The Foundation reserves the right to vary the number and amount of the grants at anytime at its absolute discretion without prior notice.

3. Recommending University / Institution

Recommendation must be submitted by an authorised representative of a scientific or professional institution or a university of which the applicant is a member.

4. Application Procedure

Complete the Application Form which is obtainable from MTSF or from the MTSF website and return the same to MTSF at the mailing address stated therein.

5. Deadline

The completed Application Form must reach the Foundation on or before 31 May of each year. Late entry and incomplete forms will not be processed.

6. Method of Selection

There are 3 stages in the selection process :

- 1st Stage : Shortlisting of applicants by the Selection Committee through the review of the Application Forms.
- 2nd Stage : Interview of shortlisted applicants by the Selection Committee.
- 3rd Stage : Approval of the successful applicants by the Board of the Foundation.

For applicants who have advanced to the 2nd stage, the shortlisted applicant or a member representing the research group will be interviewed by September of every year.

The decision of the Foundation is final and no correspondence regarding the decision will be entertained.

7. Selection Committee

The awardees shall be selected by the Selection Committee and approved by the Board of the Foundation. For the list of the Selection Committee Members, please visit our website.

8. Presentation of Research Grant

The presentation ceremony shall be held not later than the end of January of the following year.

9. Disbursement Procedure

The grant is to be disbursed through the nominating university/institution in accordance with the procedure set by the Foundation.

Notes :

- a. This research grant is to be utilized in accordance with the proposed use of the research grant as stated in the application form only. If the recipient desires to use the grant for a different research project, prior written consent from the Foundation must be obtained. The recipient's university/institution is responsible for all financial transactions pertaining thereto.

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- b. The grant should be fully utilized according to the approved schedule. Any unused balance of the awarded amount will have to be refunded to the Foundation upon completion of the research or expiry of the approved schedule, whichever is earlier. Prior written approval of the Foundation must be obtained for any extension to the scheduled completion of the project.
- c. The recipient is required to complete and sign the General Grant Conditions that stipulate the general terms and conditions of the grant.
- d. Each year thereafter and until the research is concluded, each recipient of the Grant is required to submit an annual report, together with the up-to-date account of disbursement and utilization of funds, jointly certified by the University/Institution and the recipient. The annual report, covering January to December of a particular year should reach the Foundation by mid-March of the following year. Upon conclusion of the whole project, a final report and the statement of account must be submitted to the Foundation within 3 months from the date of such conclusion.
- e. At the conclusion of the project, the recipient may be required to present his/her research work/paper at the Grant Research Symposium that are arranged by MTSF from time to time.
- f. In line with the Foundation's plans to publish and distribute a booklet containing the recipients' completed research work, the recipients may be required to help in this endeavour.
- g. Please write, phone or fax to MTSF at the address/contact numbers stated below for clarification and/or for additional forms, or from the MTSF website.
- h. This grant is not taxable in the hands of the recipient.

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