

## **Research Proposal**

(Your proposal, following the outline below, should be no longer than **five A4 pages**.)

(Diagrams and tables may be included)

Please **delete** the notes in parentheses as you complete the form.)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **A. Title**

### **B. Summary (200 words)**

### **C. Objectives (specific aims)**

(Clearly and concisely describe what the proposed research is intended to accomplish.)

### **D. Background and significance**

(Describe the research problem including the proposed rationale, current state of knowledge and potential contributions and significance of your research to the field.)

### **E. Preliminary studies and progress report**

(Describe prior work you have done, if any, that is directly relevant to the current proposal.)

### **F. Research design and methods**

(Describe how you plan to carry out the research in a three-year term.)

### **G. Reason for selection of the desired lab**

Please describe why you selected the specific lab, including the following.

- 1). How you learned of the lab, and how much communication you have had about the research you plan to do at the lab.
- 2). The merits of the lab you chose for the research you plan to carry out, and what potential it offers for further development of your research
- 3). If there is a possibility you will carry out a substantial part of your research work at an institution outside of Japan, please indicate the reason.