1. Objectives
The JSUM Fellowship was established to promote the training of Asian specialists in medical ultrasound at academic and medical institutions in Japan and in the use of medical ultrasound in medical research. Candidates must be members of societies affiliated with AFUMB, to be nominated by their respective societies, and be willing to contribute to the dissemination and improvement of medical ultrasound in Asia, thereby encouraging mutual understanding and scientific cooperation.

2. Administration of the Fellowship
The Fellowship will be administered in accordance with the rules accepted under the Japanese Exchange Scheme for University Students (EJSUM) on their staff to train the Fellowship recipients.

3. Institutional Providers of Research Opportunities or Training
National, public, or private institutions in Japan, including universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, to be eligible to accept the candidates, must have a Senior Fellow (SISUM), a Fellow (FISUM), or an Engineering Fellow of JSUM (EJSUM) on their staff to train the Fellowship recipients.

4. Term and Period of Research or Training
(1) The term for research or training shall, in principle, be 6 months. However, training must be completed by the end of March, the end of the fiscal year.

(2) The term and period of research or training shall, in principle, not be changed. However, the international exchange committee can decide the termination of training before 6 months when supervisor evaluates trainee is not adequate in learning behavior.

5. Field of Research or Training
(1) Research and training shall be limited to the field of medical ultrasound.

(2) Foreign medical doctors can perform medical practice (Advanced Clinical Training) in Japan if applicants submit the necessary documents to the Japanese government (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare) according to the Japanese Law concerning the Exceptional Cases of the Medical practitioner’s Act, Article 17.

6. Number of Recipients
Up to three recipients will be accepted during any calendar year.

7. Requirements for Recipients
(1) Age: Not more than 40 years as of April 1st of the training year.

(2) Career: Recipients must be specialists who have sufficient training and experience in medical ultrasound and who have graduated from a university, college, institution of an equivalent level.

(3) Language: Recipients must speak Japanese or English well enough to complete their research or training.

(4) Certificate of Acceptance: Candidates must obtain a letter confirming provisional acceptance. This letter must be issued by the Japanese supervisor in charge of the accepting institutional department and, further, must submit one copy of this certificate with their original application for a Fellowship.

(5) Ability of Japanese and/or English language.

(6) Name of candidate.

(7) Term of Fellowship (inception through completion).

(8) Itinerary.

(9) Comments, if any.

(10) Portrait photograph of candidate.

(11) List of publications and other relevant items.

(12) A written pledge, and (13) evidence of being a member or recommendation/verification by the president or secretary.

8. Duties of Recipients
(1) Recipients must obey Japanese laws during the period of their research or training. They are also expected to cooperate with their instructors and related personnel, and should make every effort to achieve the objectives of the Fellowship.

(2) At their earliest convenience upon completion of the period of their research or training, recipients should submit a report concerning their research or training achievements to the Journal of Medical Ultrasonics, the official journal of JSUM.

(3) Recipients are obligated to leave Japan to return to their home country immediately upon completion of their research or training, where they shall endeavor to contribute to the general improvement of medical ultrasonad.

9. Grant
JSUM will grant the sum of ¥1,200,000 (¥200,000 per month) to each recipient to help cover the cost of lodging and transportation in Japan. Any additional expenses must be borne by the recipient.

10. Societies in Charge of Reception and Administration
In Japan: The Japan Society of Ultrasonics in Medicine, Ochanomizu Center Building, 6th floor, 2-23-1 Kanda-Awa-cho, Chiyoda, Tokyo 101-0063, JAPAN. Telephone: +81-3-6380-3711. Fax: +81-3-5297-3744. E-mail: office@jsum.or.jp

In the recipient’s home country: The respective Affiliated Society.

11. Conclusion
Any problem or issue not covered in these Guidelines shall be resolved by amicable and mutual discussion between both parties. Please refer to the JSUM website: http://www.jsum.or.jp/jsum-e/ for more details and an application form.