Regarding future financial support for DoGS SPRING Program recipients in the event of

Kyoto University's adoption for the Universities for the International Research Excellence

program

The Kyoto University Division of Graduate Studies (DoGS) is committed to fostering the

academic growth of talented and motivated students pursuing doctoral degrees. To this end,

DoGS has implemented the Support for Pioneering Research Initiated by the Next

Generation (SPRING) program, as part of an initiative launched and supported by the Japan

Science and Technology Agency (JST). The program provides various forms of support,

including research grants and career development opportunities.

In the event that Kyoto University is selected for the Japanese government's Universities for

International Research Excellence program in the second round of applications and its

institutional strengthening plan is approved, it will no longer be eligible to receive support

under the JST program. In this case, however, the university is committed to securing the

necessary funds to continue and expand similar support programs.

To ensure that students currently receiving support through the DoGS SPRING Program and

those who have been selected to receive support in the future can continue to receive support,

and to provide sufficient support opportunities for new students seeking doctoral degrees, the

university will maintain and improve its development and support system for doctoral

students. The university will ensure that all students can continue their research with peace

of mind and focus on their doctoral degree studies.

For the latest information, please visit the "Support for Doctoral Students" section of the

Kyoto University Division of Graduate Studies website.

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