

Representing Europe's research abroad: European Researchers community in Japan!

Boost Your Career: Grants In Practice!

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⌘ European Commission initiative to support researchers

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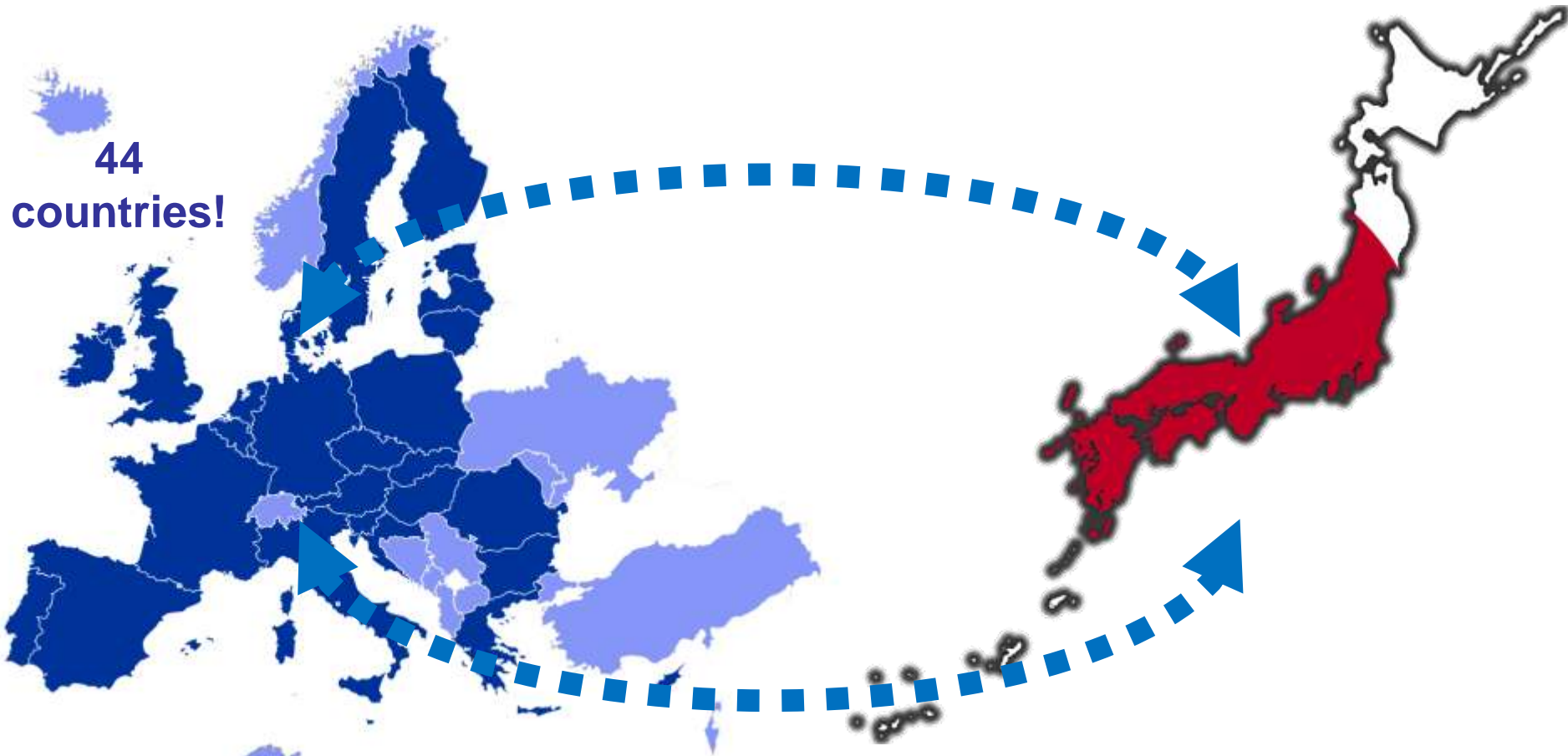
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RESEARCHERS IN MOTION

⌘ Through international research cooperation and mobility



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countries!

- ⌘ Promote exchanges: mobility and cooperation
- ⌘ **All nationalities, all disciplines, all profiles!**
- ⌘ No brain drain!!

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⌘ In Japan, EURAXESS (1 p. full time!):

1- Provides regular, **tailored and reliable information**
(funding, mobility, cooperation opportunities, etc)

2- Organises/participates to **networking and information events**

3- Manages a **community of >2,300 researchers** and related

⌘ In the interest of **Europe – Japan research cooperation and researcher mobility**

⌘ **For free!**

European researcher community in Japan?

~ 2 million

Number of foreign ppl w/ long term visas in Japan

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Visualisation in
Log scale!



~10,000

Number of foreign ppl w/ 'professor' or 'researcher' visa

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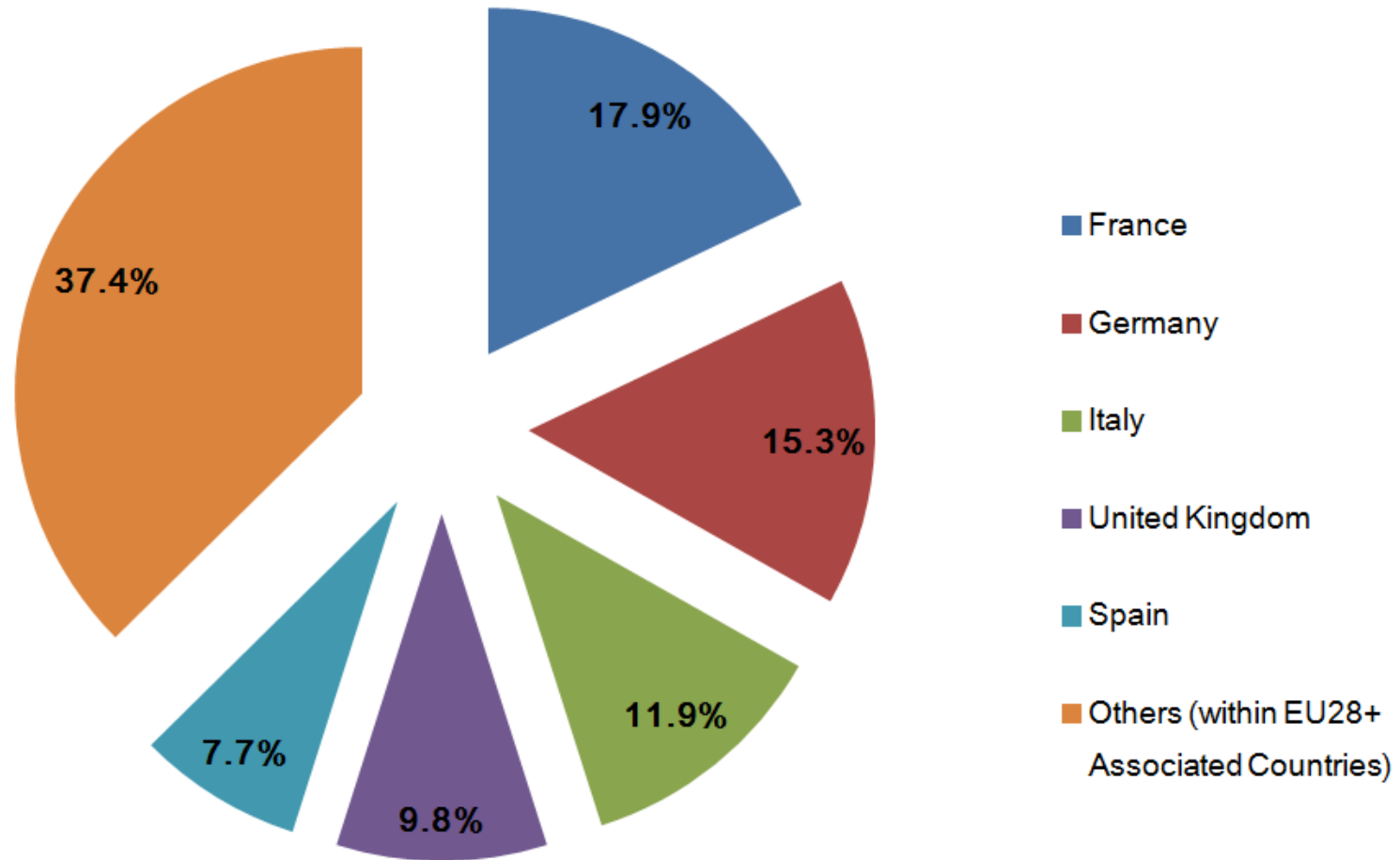


~1,600

Number of European researchers in Japan
(EURAXESS 40+ countries, estimated, annual basis)

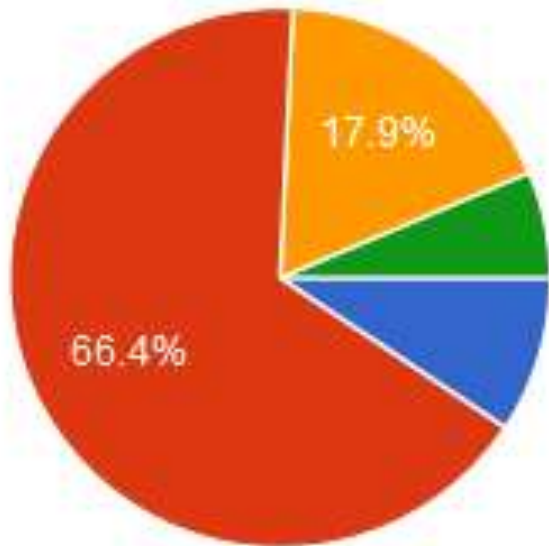
EURAXESS Japan community (open to all nationalities):
~800 Europeans based in Japan

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current career stage?



Pre-doctoral (including master students) 9.4%

Post-doctoral 66.4%

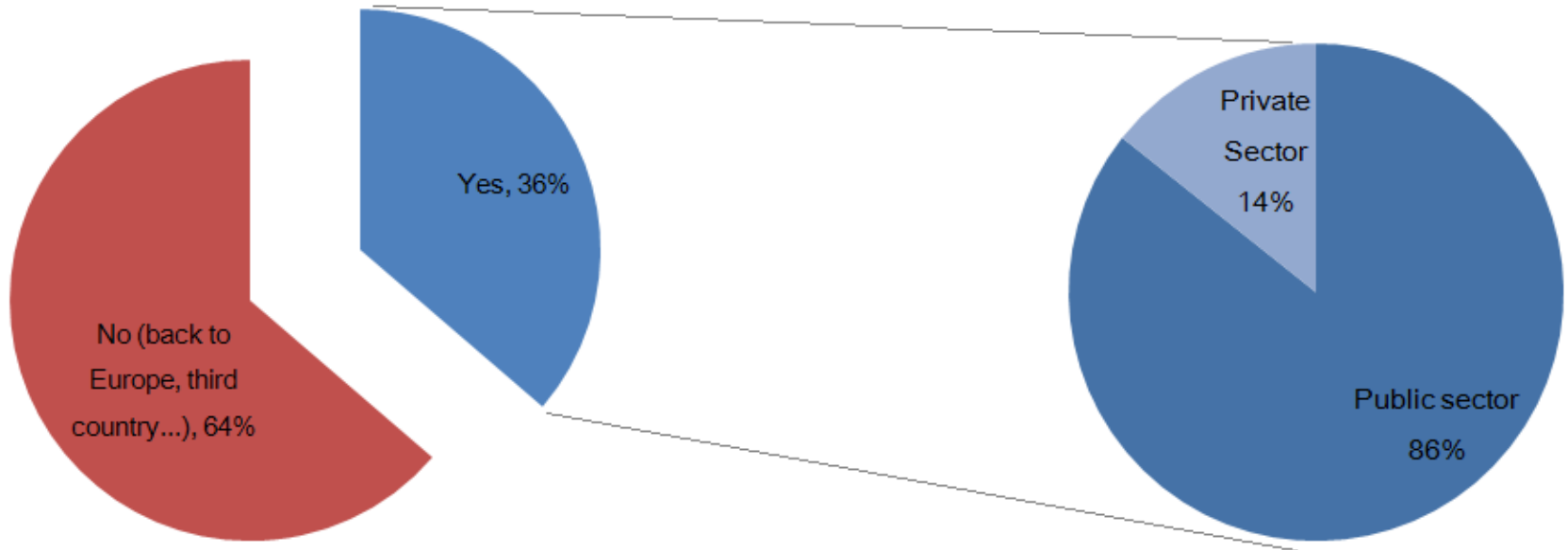
Senior 17.9%

Other 6.4%

- ⌘ Mostly young, early career stage researchers
- ⌘ Testimony of excellence and international-mindedness of the European researchers

European researcher community in Japan: some insights

Stay in Japan for immediate future career?



⊗ Among those interested for their immediate future career in staying in Japan, huge majority prefers public sector

➔ Requires funding! Hence these Kakenhi sessions

Foreign researchers and Kakenhi: what's the situation?

- ⌘ Japanese urban legend: 'foreign researchers have difficulties obtaining kakenhi funding'
- ⌘ But is it actually true?
- ⌘ There is a way (involving various hypothesis!) to have an approximate idea of the success rate of foreigners with Kakenhi

Foreign researchers and Kakenhi: what's the situation?

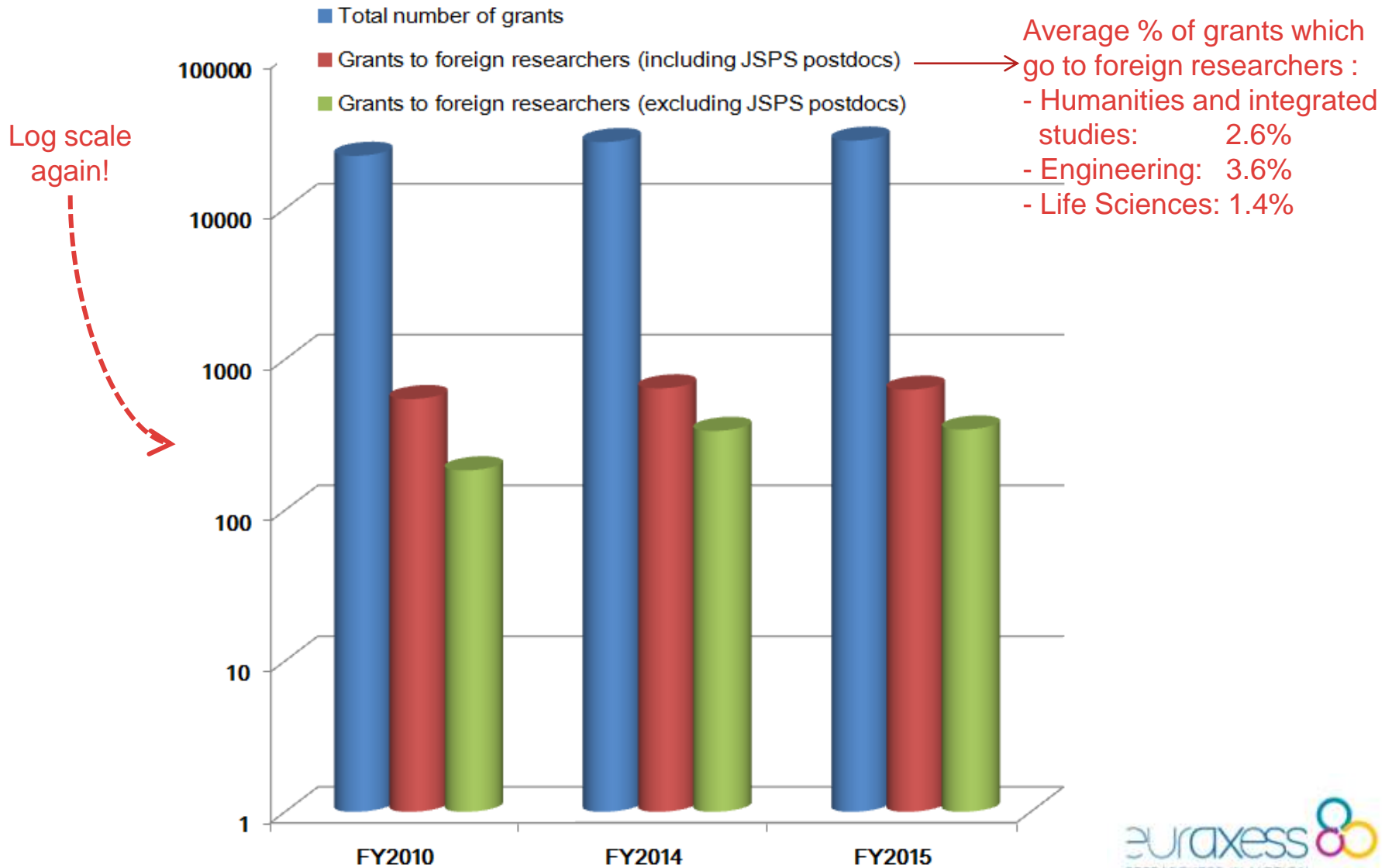
⌘ Method:

- ⌘ Used public NII Kakenhi database available for all kakenhi projects, listing project name, PI, type of grants, etc
- ⌘ Browsed all new grants allocated in a specific year, isolated foreign PIs by their name (romaji or katakana)
- ⌘ Excluded automatically allocated grants (attached to JSPS postdocs)
- ⌘ Compared with total number of grants allocated and/or number of foreign researchers based in Japan for the same year

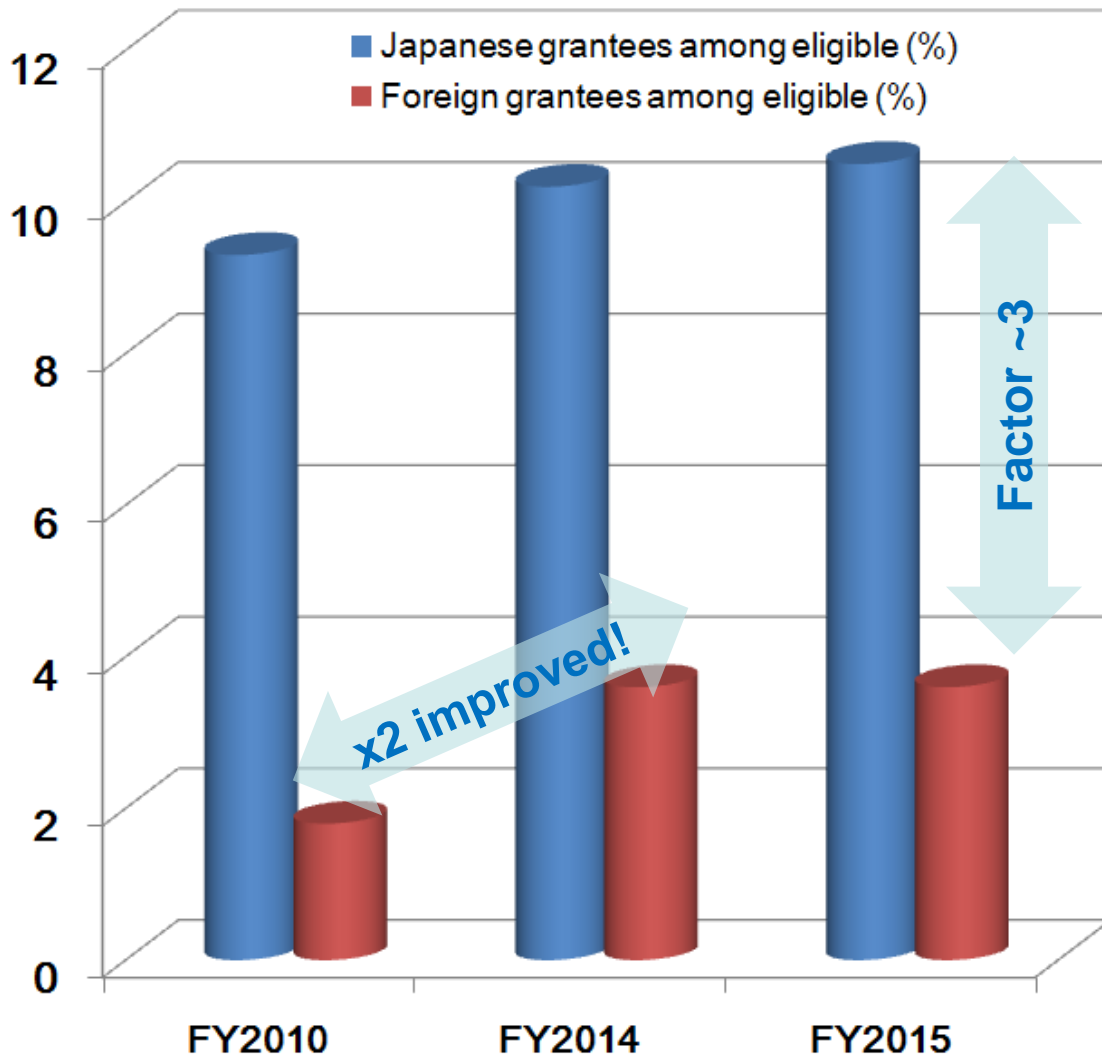
⌘ Hypotheses:

- ⌘ Kakenhi eligible researchers = 270,000 (2014, <https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-grants/>)
- ⌘ All foreign researchers as per annual MOJ statistics are eligible and do apply as much as Japanese ones

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⌘ Two outcomes:

- 1/ There seems to be indeed a discrepancy between success rates of Japanese and foreign researchers
- 2/ But this discrepancy tends to be reduced lately

⌘ Disclaimer: not official statistics from JSPS! Results from data mining of the NII database.

- ⌘ There is a margin for progress!
- ⌘ So let's leave the floor to the experts!

Thank you for listening!

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