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Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd.

Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma Begins Construction on
New Chemistry Research Building

Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma Co., Ltd. (DSP) (Headquarters: Osaka, Japan; President: Masayo Tada) announces that construction has started on a new Chemistry Research Building at the Osaka Research Center as of January 27.

The New Chemistry Research Building has a total floor area of 16,236m². It will consolidate the work of the Chemistry Research Laboratories (Drug Research Division), and the Process Chemistry Research & Development Laboratories and Analytical Research & Development Laboratories (Technology Research & Development Division). The work in these two divisions is currently distributed to the Osaka Research Center and Osaka Center (Fukushima-ku, Osaka City, Osaka, Japan), and the Central Research Laboratories (Suita City, Osaka, Japan). With this new establishment, DSP aims to improve the efficiency of the series of operations in research and development from drug target discovery to applications for manufacture and marketing approval.

The four points below outline the basic concept of this construction.

1. Aiming to consolidate and optimize chemistry research related departments assigned to drug discovery research, industrialization research and quality management of investigational new drugs develops a base that maximizes the overall strength of the company.
2. Installing meeting spaces on each floor, active communication is encouraged developing a creative research environment where highly creative drugs are originated.
3. Safety and security is ensured in a safeguarded facility environment with the adoption of a seismic isolation structure and the introduction of security systems etc.
4. Considering people and the Earth, the facility is environmentally friendly equipped with solar power, the use of natural light, etc.

Construction on the New Chemistry Research Building is scheduled to be complete in March 2013 and operations are scheduled to start in July 2013. The expected total cost is about 8.7 billion yen.

At DSP's two research facilities, the Central Research Laboratories and the Osaka Research Center, DSP aims to produce innovative pharmaceutical products designating the CNS field as a focus therapeutic area and cancer and immune-related diseases as challenge therapeutic areas.

Through the construction of this new Chemistry Research Building, DSP aims to further promote efficient research and development, and facilitate the creation of highly original drugs in areas of high unmet medical needs.

(Overview of the New Chemistry Research Building is attached)

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Overview of the New Chemistry Research Building

Name: Osaka Research Center New Chemistry Research Building
Address: 3-1-98, Kasugadenaka, Konohana-ku, Osaka 554-0022 (Within the Sumitomo Chemical Osaka Plant)
Structure: 8 floors above ground, height: 40.0m, seismic isolation structure, steel-framed, reinforced concrete.
Building area: 2,408 m²
Total floor area: Approx. 16,236 m²
Construction period: January 2012 – March 2013
Construction cost: Approx. 8.7 billion yen

Concept Rendering of Completed Building

