

## FY2022 Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Business Briefing

## Growth Strategy for the Bio-Pharma Services Business



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A NEW FUTURE

WE HELP TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF HUMANKIND.

TO BE A LEADING, TRUSTED, AND INNOVATIVE PARTNER TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND OUR EMPLOYEES.

VISION

Continue to create ASV through business unique to the Ajinomoto Group by maximizing the Group's tangible and intangible assets.



## **Global Manufacturing Sites**



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# Growth of Contract Manufacturing Business at the Ajinomoto Group

 We combine a wide range of services from small, medium and large molecules through to formulation and aseptic filling and have developed systems that meet the needs of a broad range of customers from start ups through to major pharma companies.
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- We offer high value-added services leveraging proprietary technologies (CDMO rather than CMO).
- We have improved ROIC by optimizing our production system through global collaboration (application of AJIPHASE<sup>®</sup> from small molecule field).





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## Sales Trends and Forecasts in the Oligonucleotide Contract Manufacturing Business

#### Oligonucleotide drugs will be the Ajinomoto Group's next growth driver



#### Strategy for growth

- Secure manufacturing capacity six times greater than FY2021 by FY2027 by reshuffling portfolio and rebuilding global production structure
- Expand market share through new technologies: Hybrid manufacturing methods using enzymes
- Develop customers through a globally integrated system



#### Combine the advantages of small and large molecule therapeutics. Rapidly increasing results and entering a growth phase.

	Small molecule therapeutics	Nucleic acid-based drugs	Large molecule therapeutics
Manufacturing method (cost)	Chemical synthesis (low)	Chemical synthesis (low)	Biologically manufactured (high)
Intracellular targeting	Can be targeted	Can be targeted	Cannot be targeted
Intracellular RNA targeting	Not possible	Possible	Not possible
Specificity to target molecules	Low	Higher	High
Side effects	More	<b>Fewer</b>	Fewer
Efficacy	Lower	Higher	Higher

Partially prepared by Ajinomoto Co., Inc. based on Global Medium Molecule Therapeutics Market (TPS)

#### [Changes in the environment between 2016 and 2022]

No. of approved nucleic acid-based drugs:  $5 \rightarrow 16$  (triple) No. of nucleic acid-based drug clinical trials: Approx. 300 $\rightarrow$  approx. 700 (double) Research by

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- Nucleic acid-based drugs are continuing to receive attention as the next new modality after antibody drugs.
- Approvals have gained momentum since 2016 and many products have been launched.
- Clinical trials are underway for a broad range of target diseases.

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## CDMO Market for Nucleic Acid-Based Drugs

In the growth stage as an industry, the nucleic acid-based drug CDMO market is expected to reach approx. ¥450 billion in 2030



There are several types of nucleic acid-based drug within the industry. Currently, the main arena for Ajinomoto is oligonucleotides. Nucleic acid type Role Oligonucleotides Therapeutics mRNA Vaccines Vectors Gene therapy Main players in oligonucleotide manufacturing Nitto Avecia (U.S.) Agilent (U.S.) BioSpring (Germany) and others

- Expansion of manufacturing capacity and rise in new entrants alongside increase in number of products on the market and products under development
- Tendency for manufacturing orders to be concentrated on a few leading CDMOs
- Keys to competiveness are unique strengths and differentiating factors



## Features of Ajinomoto's Oligonucleotide Contract Business

Only CDMO using *AJIPHASE*<sup>®</sup>, a proprietary liquid-phase manufacturing technology, in addition to solid-phase manufacturing technology

#### Solid-phase synthesis (Osaka)

#### AJIPHASE<sup>®</sup>

#### Fast Synthesis, Limited Volume

- World's mainstream manufacturing technology
- Fast but limited 1B volume (depends on synthesizer)
- Requires dedicated synthesizer
- Uses large volumes of organic solvents and raw materials





#### **Slower Process, Large Volumes**

- World's only industrial-scale liquid-phase manufacturing technology
- General-purpose synthesizing equipment can be used
  - Enables large volume manufacturing
  - Analysis during synthesis is possible = enables development of high quality process
  - Uses low volumes of organic solvents and raw materials

Proven record in commercialization of nucleic acid-based drugs



Comparison of Solid-Phase Synthesis and AJIPHASE<sup>®</sup> Liquid-Phase Technology

## AJIPHASE<sup>®</sup> is more suitable for mass production than solid-phase synthesis







Strengths of Ajinomoto's Oligonucleotide Contract Business

#### Ability to make proposals tailored to customer needs (Timing and volume of supply)







- Development stage, timing and volume of required supply are not constants.
- Offers flexible use of solid-phase synthesis and *AJIPHASE*® technologies.





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## Solutions Business that Contributes to Advanced Medical Care Modalities

Achieve higher added-value in CDMO business through Ajinomoto's proprietary manufacturing technology and solution development capabilities that address the API demand, performance, quality, and development speed necessary to achieve advanced medical care modalities

#### **Ajinomoto Group's solutions**

#### Advanced medical care modalities



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## **Expansion of the Bio-Pharma Services Business**



Contribute to further sales and profit growth by strengthening Ajinomoto's proprietary technology, such as *AJIPHASE*<sup>®</sup>, and solutions capabilities based on the technology and customer base cultivated through the CDMO business

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