

Ajinomoto's Pharma-related Business employing Leading-Edge Bioscience and Fine Chemical Technologies

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The Segment I Will Talk About Today





What are "Advanced Bio Pharma related business" as Defined by Ajinomoto Co.?

Advanced Bio: Biomaterials, such as amino acids, peptides and proteins, and the application of their manufacturing technology; areas in which we have expertise

Pharma-related business: Production of pharmaceuticals, material development and utilization





Evolution of "Advanced Bio Pharma-related business" in Ajinomoto Co.



AJINOMOTO. Market Size of the Pharmaceutical Field that Ajinomoto Co. is Focused on

(1. Biopharmaceuticals 2. Regenerative medicine)



(Source: Seed Planning, Inc. data)

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Changes in Pharmaceutical Industry Business Structure





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Activities in Each Business Field



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Ajinomoto Althea, Inc. which Handles the Biopharmaceutical Contract Business



Future business focus

• Contract manufacturing of ADCs (antibody-drug conjugates)



Enter ADC Contract Manufacturing Business: What is "ADC"?



An ADC is a drug that aims to utilize the high target selectivity of antibodies to deliver a pharmacological agent to target cells where it exerts its effect.

⇒ There are expectations for them to be "the next generation of antibody drugs," capable of increasing the striking power towards target cells while reducing side effects. They are the focus of development in major pharmaceutical companies at home and abroad.



Enter ADC Contract Manufacturing Business



Provision of contract manufacturing and services began with the only base in the United States which was able to provide one-stop service from antibody drug conjugation to formulation and on to fill & finish

Introduction of process development and analysis laboratory equipment completed

⇒ Services commenced in January 2016 Support the early development stage of ADCs in pharmaceutical companies

Expected to contribute to profits in FY2019





Strengthening of the Fill & Finish Business in Ajinomoto Althea, Inc.

What is Fill & Finish?

Process at the final stage of biopharmaceutical manufacture in which the product is filled aseptically into vials and syringes to become the final product.

Flexible facilities allowing production of a wide variety of products and switchover production. Facilities comply with the pharmaceutical regulations in various countries responding quickly to the needs of pharmaceutical companies.



With Fill & Finish as its revenue base, Ajinomoto Althea, Inc. aims for steady growth and development

Activities in Each Business Field



What are Oligonucleotides?

	Main Target Diseases	Characteristics	Structure	Our Strengths
Oligonucleotides	Applicable to a wide range of diseases including cancer, cardiovascular diseases, infectious diseases, and autoimmune diseases (rheumatism, etc.) and rare diseases such as muscular dystrophy	Their targets and mechanisms of action are clear and highly specific	A chain of several to over a hundred nucleic acids	A field in which we can fully utilize our wealth of technology and know-how relating to nucleic acids, which are the raw materials. We developed a unique manufacturing technology

The number of products in development entering clinical trials has increased substantially over recent years, and the market will grow rapidly

\Rightarrow Increased opportunities for contract manufacturing

production

Solid Phase

Synthesis

100%



What is AJIPHASE® Technology?

	Solid phase synthesis			
Manufacturing equipment	<section-header></section-header>	General chemical synthesis equipment can be used		
Manufacturing scale	Several kg/lot	Several hundred kg/lot		
Development period	Quick	Longer than solid phase synthesis		

Establish AJIPHASE technology as the only practical manufacturing method capable of mass production with new drug candidates anticipated future demand of several hundreds kg to several tons.

Strengthening of the Oligonucleotide Business

All shares in GeneDesign, Inc. were acquired in December 2016



 \Rightarrow Aim global No. 2 through establishing the production framework

Activities in Each Business Field





Regenerative Medicine What is a Stem Cell Culture Medium?

A stem cell culture medium contains a well-balanced mix of amino acids, sugars, lipids, vitamins, minerals and growth factors* necessary for stem cells.



*Growth factors: "Signaling" proteins that are abundantly present in our body and which are necessary for proliferation of stem cells, such as iPS cells, and for the transformation of these into tissue or other types of cells.

Requirements for Stem Cell Culture Medium Used in Regenerative Medicine

Issues for development of stem cell culture medium for regenerative medicine

- 1. Performance \rightarrow There are no high-performance culture media that can be used in regenerative medicine!
- 2. Safety \rightarrow The majority of existing medium use components <u>extracted from</u> <u>animals or human</u> (high risk)
- 3. Cost \rightarrow Existing medium are too expensive to use in the current process

By the determination of the nutrient consumption and the application research of the growth factors, Ajinomoto developed very novel stem cell culture for iPS and ES cell. This medium will promote the human study of iPS and ES cells.

Image of the Application of iPS Cells for Regenerative Medicine

The key is to provide the various growth factors intimately involved in propagation and differentiation.

Turning growth factors into products using biotechnology \Rightarrow

Develop products of stem cell culture media for various differentiations

Provision of growth factors themselves

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Development of Stem Cell Culture Medium for Regenerative Medicine

Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

- Research on amino acid nutrition and metabolism
- Analysis technology
 Amino acid analysis technology: Amino Index®
- Formulating technology, nutritient development and manufacturing technology Enteral nutrition formula ELENTAL[®], serum-free cell culture media
- Biotechnology

Growth factor (protein) production technology CORYNEX®

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Center for iPS Cell Research and Application, Kyoto University (CiRA)

Novel research relating to iPS cells

Technological development relating to iPS cell establishment, propagation, undifferentiated potency preservation, storage and cell differentiation, etc., evaluation techniques and analytical research of mechanisms

(Nakagawa et al., 2014)

Global Expansion of StemFit® Cell Culture Medium for Regenerative Medicine

Products for the Japanese market

For clinical research

StemFit[®] AK03N

For basic research

StemFit[®] AK02N

Confirmed by the PMDA^{*} for clinical research purposes

 Direct sales commenced in December 2015 by Ajinomoto Healthy Supply Co., Inc.

*PMDA: Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

Product for use in basic research launched in October 2015 by Takara Bio Inc. and ReproCELL Inc.

Global product

1) StemFit

StemFI

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2) StemFi

StemFit[®] Basic02

- Sales in the US commenced in September 2016
- Sales in South Korea commenced in March 2017
- Plan to commence sales in Europe in FY2017

Realization of ASV(Ajinomoto Shared Value) through Healthcare

1. Measured by Interbrand; 2. Refer to Reference Materials (p.36-40) for definitions of non-financial targets and calculation assumptions; 3. Annual total and % of annual consumption per person:

4. Calculation based on certain products in Japan and Five Stars; 5. Calculated using certain Japan Frozen Foods and Soup products.; 6. GHG = Greenhouse gases; 7. Compared to FYOF Note: std. = standard, intl. = international

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