# Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (2802) Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2015 (FY2014) and Outlook

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# I. Overview of FY2014 Forecast



#### FY2014 Forecast

No change in Groupwide net sales, operating income or net income forecast from the beginning of FY2014. Operating income has been revised downward for pharmaceuticals and revised upward for overseas food products.

(¥ Billion) Note: Net sales are based on a newstandard.	FY2014 Forecast	FY2013 Results	YoY Change
Net sales	1,008.0	951.4	+6.0%
Operating income	70.0	61.8	+13.3%
Net income	44.0	42.2	+4.4%
Net income per share (¥)	74.32	68.67	+8.2%

#### Net sales (left scale) Operating income (right scale) (¥ Billion) -Net income (right scale) (¥ Billion) 80 1.000 60 40 500 20 0 FY2011 FY2012 FY2013 FY2014 (Forecast)

#### Revisions from Forecast at Beginning of FY2014

#### ■Net sales

No change in Groupwide forecast from the beginning of FY2014. Reflected tough sales conditions for pharmaceuticals.

#### ■Operating income

- +: Growth of overseas consumer foods in main countries, cost reductions for umami seasonings for processed food mfrs., etc.
- -: Sluggish sales of pharmaceuticals due to impact of generics and competing products.

#### ■Net income

No change in forecast from the beginning of FY2014



## Impact of External Environment on FY2014 Operating Income

Assumed exchange rates are unchanged from the beginning of FY2014.

Regarding fermentation raw material and fuel prices, main raw materials, sub raw materials and energy are all expected to improve substantially from the forecast at the beginning of FY2014.

#### Assumed exchange rates (vs. JPY)

	FY2014	1H FY2014
	Forecast	Results
USD	100.0	103.01
EUR	130.0	138.90
THB	3.2	3.19
BRL	44.0	45.76

#### Impact of exchange rates (YoY; ¥ Billion)

	FY2014	1H FY2014
	Forecast	Results
Translation	-0.9	-0.1
Trade	-2.0	+1.0
Total	-2.9	+0.9

# Effect of raw material and fuel price changes (YoY) (-: Cost increase; ¥ Billion)

	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	1H FY2014 Results
Fermentation main raw materials	5.2	-0.7	3.3
Fermentation sub raw materials	0.4	-0.3	1.3
Energy	1.1	-0.5	0.2
Raw materials for domestic food products	-1.0	-1.0	-0.6
Total	5.7	-2.5	4.2

Note: Assumptions are unchanged from forecast at beginning of FY2014 in consideration of recent rate fluctuations.



# FY2014 Forecast by Segment

(¥ Billion)

	FY2014		FY2014			FY2013		YoY C	hange
	Revised Forecast (A)	OP%	Initial Forecast (B)	OP%	6 Difference	Results OP%	OP%	Amount (A)-(B)	% (A)/(B)
Net sales	1,008.0		1,008.0		0.0	951.4		56.6	6%
Domestic Food Products	312.3		312.3		0.0	299.9		12.4	4%
Overseas Food Products	322.2		322.2		0.0	292.4		29.8	10%
Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	238.4		238.4		0.0	228.1		10.3	5%
Pharmaceuticals	40.9		44.0		-3.1	51.2		-10.3	-20%
Other Business	94.2		91.1		3.1	79.7		14.5	18%
Operating income	70.0	6.9%	70.0	6.9%	0.0	61.8	6.5%	8.2	13%
Domestic Food Products	28.8	9.2%	28.8	9.2%	0.0	27.1	9.0%	1.7	6%
Overseas Food Products	29.4	9.1%	28.2	8.8%	1.2	25.0	8.6%	4.4	17%
Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	9.7	4.1%	9.7	4.1%	0.0	6.4	2.8%	3.3	52%
Pharmaceuticals	2.3	5.6%	3.5	8.0%	-1.2	3.8	7.4%	-1.5	-40%
Other Business	-0.2	-0.2%	-0.2	-0.2%	0.0	-0.5	-0.6%	0.3	-60%
Ordinary income	75.0		75.0		0.0	68.8		6.2	9%
Net income	44.0		44.0		0.0	42.2		1.8	4%
Exchange rate JPY/USD	100.0		100.0			100.17			
JPY/EUR	130.0		130.0			134.21			



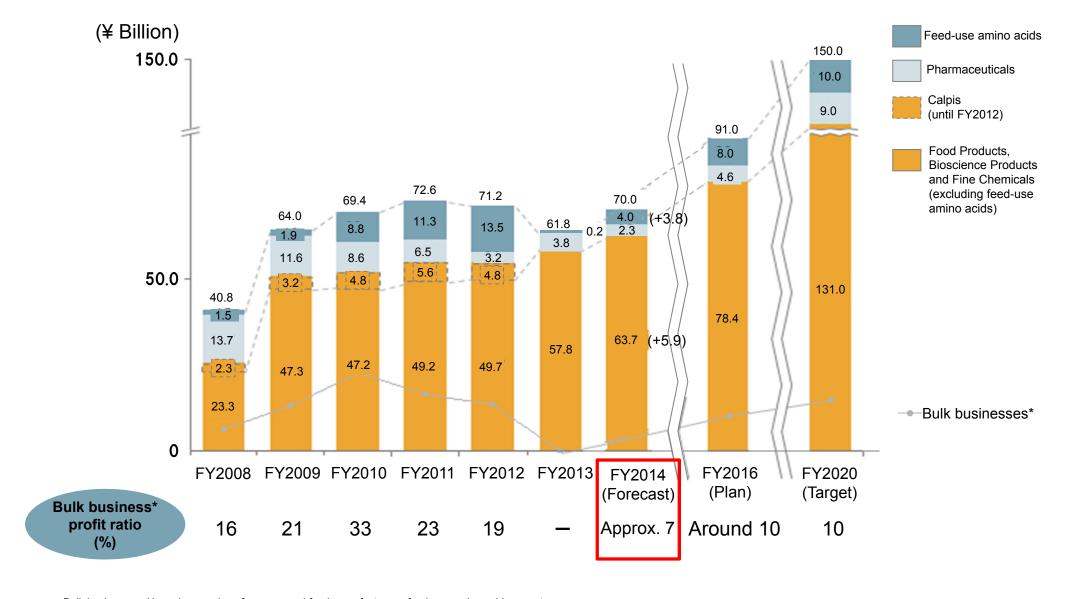
# FY2014 Forecast - Ordinary Income and Net Income

No change in forecast for either extraordinary gains (losses) or net income from beginning of FY2014.

	FY2014 Forecast	FY2013 Results	Difference	Main Factors
Net sales	1,008.0	951.4	56.6	Net sales based on new standard from FY2014
Operating income	70.0	61.8	8.2	
Non-operating income (expenses)	5.0	7.0	-2.0	
Interest income	1.7	2.1	-0.4	
Dividend income	0.9	1.1	-0.2	
Equity in earnings of affiliates	4.1	3.4	0.7	
Interest expense	-2.2	-2.0	-0.2	
Other (net)	0.5	2.4	-1.9	
Ordinary income	75.0	68.8	6.2	
Extraordinary gains (losses)	-1.0	3.8	-4.8	
Gain on sale of fixed assets	1.0	3.1	-2.1	
Gain on sale of shares in affiliated company	0.0	2.3	-2.3	
Loss on sale of investments in affiliates	-2.4	-1.2	-1.2	
Other (net)	0.4	-0.4	0.8	
Net income before income taxes	74.0	72.6	1.4	
Net income	44.0	42.2	1.8	Effective tax rate FY2013: 31.5%, FY2014 forecast: 29.7%

# Targeted Composition of Operating Income Raise earnings quality by controlling the ratio of bulk businesses and pursuing specialty Groupwide.





Bulk businesses: Umami seasonings for processed food manufacturers, feed-use amino acids, sweeteners

# Roadmap to a Genuine Global Specialty Company

**AJINOMOTO**<sub>®</sub> Accelerate growth to take aim at becoming one of the global top 10 companies.

	Achieve stable profit growth with a shift to specialty						
			E	EPS grov	wth of around 1	0%/year	
	End in profit Get out of the red Recover earning	i	ild foundatior global compa		Accel growth mo	omentum	Transition to a global food company  Become a top 10 food manufacturer*  * Excludes beverage
	momentum				one of the		* Excludes beverage manufacturers
	FY2008 Actual	FY2011 Actual	_	FY20 <sup>2</sup> Actua	_	FY2016 (Targets)	FY2020~ (Vision)
Operating profit (¥ Bil.)	40.8	72.6	71.2	61.8	70.0	91.0	150.0
OP margin <sup>1</sup>	3.4%	7.5%	7.5%	6.5%	6.9%	8%	10%
OP margin excl. bulk businesses²	3.6%	6.7%	7.0%	7.9%	7.9%	8.4%	10.5%
ROE	-1.7%	6.9%	7.8%	7.1%	7.1%	9%	10%~
EPS (¥)	-14.6	61.3	74.4	68.7	74.3	100	150
Market cap (¥ Bil.)	486.5	704.8	898.5	905.8	} <b>–</b>	1,000.0~	1,500.0 <b>~</b>
Bulk business profit ratio <sup>2</sup> 1. Net amount of total sales	16% s through all channels, including but	23% siness tie-ups. aft	19% er deduction of sales prome	tion costs from	Approx. 7%	Around 10%	10%

Ashiova stable profit growth

Eat Well, Live Well.

Net amount of total sales through all channels, including business tie-ups, after deduction of sales promotion costs from FY2011 onward.

<sup>2.</sup> Bulk businesses: Umami seasonings for processed food manufacturers, feed-use amino acids, sweeteners



# **II. GROW: Accelerate Growth Momentum**

**Consumer Foods** 

- (1) Domestic Food Products
- (2) Overseas Food Products

# Eat Well, Live Well. JINOMOTO ®

### (1) Domestic Seasonings and Processed Foods

Sales trends after the consumption tax rate increase

Home-use: Impact of the last-minute surge in demand before the consumption tax rate increase ended in the first quarter and sales increased YoY from July.

Restaurant and delicatessen-use: Sales were higher YoY throughout the first half despite the impact of the consumption tax rate increase and adverse weather.

#### Home-use: Unchanged YoY in 1H

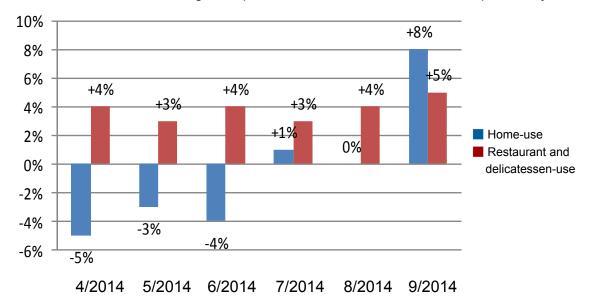
Counteracted impact of last-minute surge in demand before tax rate increase with measures to stimulate demand.

#### Restaurant and delicatessen-use:

+4% YoY in 1H

Achieved stable growth with increased sales of functional food products, etc.

Sales of domestic seasonings and processed foods vs. same month in previous year



Continuously create specialty products in the second half

Provide value adapted to users with original Ajinomoto technologies in both the home-use and restaurant and delicatessen-use categories.

Further expand range of products that create value for customers.

Full-year sales are expected to increase YoY, even with a pullback in demand in the second half following last year's last-minute surge in demand before the consumption tax rate increase.

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### (1) Domestic Seasonings and Processed Foods

Shift to specialty businesses using our ability to create value for customers.

New home-use product from autumn 2014

## Nationwide launch of *Toss Sala®*

Developed product by collecting ideas from working women to meet their needs.

Desire for short preparation time, but with appealing results. Tendency not to eat enough vegetables.

A new type of salad seasoning using original Ajinomoto technology Powder compounding technology developed for *Knorr*<sup>®</sup> *Cup Soup* Original Ajinomoto seasoning that brings out the flavor of vegetables



Italian basil flavor

Communication that conveys a new product domain in an easily understood manner

#### TV commercial aired from Oct. 4

A new salad seasoning with *Kona Dore* (powdered dressing) and toppings.

Just toss together with vegetables to make a better class of deli-style salad.



Upsurge in store turnover!









### (1) Domestic Seasonings and Processed Foods



Shift to specialty businesses using our ability to create value for customers.

New home-use products from autumn 2014

# Knorr® Cup Soup with 40% reduced sodium

Reducing salt usually also reduces thickness and body.

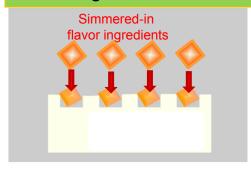


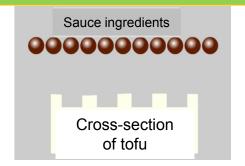
Achieves flavor close to regular product using original Ajinomoto compounding technology for organic acids, savory seasonings, amino acids and other ingredients.

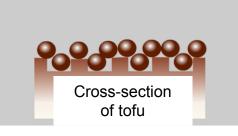


# Cook Do® Kyo-no Ohzara for meat and tofu stew with simmered-in flavor

Original Ajinomoto materials loosen bonds between proteins so the sauce ingredients permeate the tofu for simmered-in flavor with short cooking time.









#### (1) Domestic Food Products: Frozen Foods



Review of interim FY2014

Sales increased and income decreased in interim FY2014.

Basically in line with initial forecast because interim plan incorporated increase in raw material prices, etc.

Continued strong performance overseas.

### Interim FY2014 sales conditions: Net sales ¥54.6 billion (+5% YoY)

	YoY change	Conditions
Home-use sales	0%	Strengthened products and expanded sales of <i>Gudakusan Ebi Pilaf</i> , which proposes a new eating style, but overall sales were unchanged YoY, on par with the market.
Restaurant and industrial-use sales	+5%	Firm sales as efforts with major customers progressed.
Domestic sales	+2%	
Overseas sales	+21%	Substantial expansion continued, mainly in North America.

# Interim FY2014 operating income conditions: Operating income ¥2.5 billion (-¥0.2 billion YoY)

➤ Interim operating income was basically in line with initial plan of ¥2.5 billion, which assumed an increase in raw material prices.

### (1) Domestic Food Products: Frozen Foods

Status of measures to restore profitability in FY2014



Working to further expand domestic and overseas sales and further reinforce the earnings structure. Forecast operating income of approximately ¥ 6.5 billion.

#### Further expand domestic and overseas sales

- Further expand domestic sales with sales promotion centered on domestically produced vegetables for *Gyoza*, which was renewed in autumn 2014, and by strengthening sales of restaurant-use desserts, etc.
- Further expand strong overseas sales, mainly in North America Increase overseas sales ratio from 13% (FY2013) to 15% (excluding Windsor\*)

#### Further reinforce the earnings structure

- Reorganize domestic production lines. Raise productivity of dessert lines by 20% with startup of production at new building at Kanto Plant; full-scale cost reduction effect in second half. Improve productivity at plant for rice products by concentrating lines.
- Accelerate local production and sales in Europe with establishment of Ajinomoto Jawo sp. z o.o.

#### Conduct measures to further improve earnings

Price adjustments of home-use and restaurant-use products are scheduled from February due in part to the rapid depreciation of the yen, in addition to factors such as a surge in raw material prices for food products in general resulting from an increase in global demand.



Rollout of in-store activities linked to commercials for *Gyoza* 



Fried rice for North America



Startup of production at new building at Kanto Plant





Establishment of new company with Jawo sp. z o.o.



#### (1) Domestic Food Products: Frozen Foods

Measures to achieve operating income plan for the second half of FY2014

Get back on a growth track by promoting continued expansion of domestic and overseas sales and further reinforcement of the earnings structure.

2H FY2013 Operating income: ¥2.3 billion

Increase in costs (-¥0.6 billion)

Increased costs from surge in prices for shrimp, meat, etc., and depreciation of yen

Increase in marketing expenses, etc. (-¥1.2 billion)

Focus on expanding sales of core products for home use and restaurant and industrial use

Increase in income due to growth in sales (+¥2.1 billion)

Further expansion of domestic and overseas sales (+8% YoY)

Cost reductions from plant productivity improvements, etc. (+¥1.4 billion)

Improved productivity from startup of production at new building at Kanto Plant, cost reductions for raw materials, etc.

2H FY2014 Operating income: ¥4.0 billion (+¥1.5 billion)

Note: Figures are approximate.

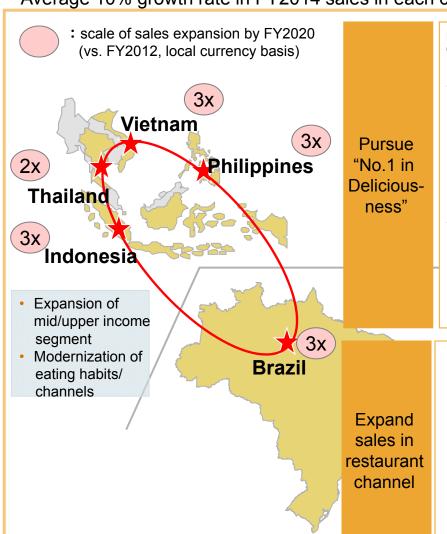
### (2) Overseas Food Products



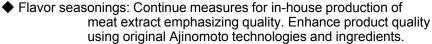
Create country/area pillars to follow Japan with rapid growth originating in the core "Five Stars" countries where the Aiinomoto Group does business outside Japan.

"Five Stars" Aim for Doubling/Tripling Growth:

Average 10% growth rate in FY2014 sales in each country on a local currency basis



Pursue "specialty" in product development using original Ajinomoto technologies Continued double-digit growth in interim FY2014.



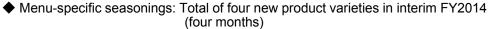




Masako®

Vietnam Aji-ngon®

- Masako<sup>®</sup> in Indonesia: Substantial growth from enhancing product quality and communication. Also increase profitability.
- Aji-ngon® in Vietnam: Enhance product quality with meat extract produced in-house
- PORKSAVOR® in Philippines: Major new product. Use of meat extract (scheduled for in-house production)





•Brazil: Satis!® for milanesa (can be prepared without using oil) pursues "deliciousness" with "convenience and health" using original Ajinomoto technologies.

for milanesa

In the dramatically growing restaurant market, conduct more thorough FTU activities and expand services tailored to user needs and the restaurant-use product lineup. Continued growth exceeding double digits in interim FY2014.

- Brazil: Hold sales convention for distributors. Aim to triple restaurant-use business from FY2012 to FY2016.
- ◆Thailand: Launch Krob Dee coating for fried chicken for restaurant use. Growth on positive evaluation of product quality with long-lasting crispiness that lets restaurants add their own flavoring. Promote steady growth as the TT Sales Team opens up the food vendor market.

Vietnam: Bring together users and present unique ways of and tips for using seasonings at restaurant chain seminars and events called "chef tours." Continue offering comprehensive proposals from the perspective of users.



Thailand Krob Dee



#### (2) Overseas Food Products

Accelerate the creation of a foundation for rapid growth in the "Rising Stars."

Core initiatives for "Rising Stars"

#### Africa/Middle East



Rollout umami seasoning AJI-NO-MOTO® to neighboring countries. Continue efforts for market penetration.

Begin sales at Cameroon and Kenya branches through WASCO. Appoint a locally known consultant cook in Kenya as brand advisor for full-scale product promotion activities.





Kenyan cook Susan Kamau

- Expand business in Turkey through Kükre A.S.
  - Build new factory in Adana province (startup scheduled for Nov. 2014), plan to produce and sell health drink salgam.
  - Development of dressings and other liquid seasonings in progress. (Launch scheduled in March 2015)

Launch instant noodle business companies through a joint venture with Toyo Suisan Kaisha, Ltd. (Start of sales scheduled in FY2016)

- Brand: A&M
- Company names: MARUCHAN AJINOMOTO NIGERIA LIMITED

MARUCHAN AJINOMOTO INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED



#### **Europe/North America**



- Strengthen product potential/establish a sales foundation for frozen food and instant noodles in the restaurant channel.
  - Accelerate business expansion in the EU centered on processed food.

Production of frozen gyoza in Poland Establish Ajinomoto Jawo sp. z o.o., a joint venture to develop and manufacture frozen gyoza, in October 2014





- Expand mainstream frozen food lineup in North America
  - Jointly develop frozen noodles with Toyo Suisan in North America





Launch of frozen ramen (Oct. 2014)

## (2) Overseas Food Products



Objectives after merger of Windsor

Achieve sales of ¥100 billion in the North American frozen food business by FY2020 and establish the Ajinomoto Group as the clear No. 1 manufacturer in the Japanese/Asian<sup>1</sup> frozen food category

#### Expand Share in a Growing Market

#### 1. Restructure frozen food business and product portfolio

- Strengthen Windsor's mainstay products by introducing the Ajinomoto Group's product development and quality control technologies
- 2 Strengthen the Asian food category by using Windsor's sales channels to expand sales of high-value-added AJINA<sup>2</sup> products (gyoza, noodle and rice products)
- 3 Strengthen the Mexican and Italian categories by reducing low-profit products and concentrating on competitive, high-value added products

#### 2. Develop a new brand strategy

Based on product portfolio restructuring...

- 1 strengthen existing Asian food brands
- 2 create Japanese food brands
- 3 further strengthen Asian food brands by combining with Amoy Food

#### Reinforce Earnings Structure

- Improve productivity by introducing Ajinomoto Group production technologies
- 2 Reinforce the earnings structure by optimizing the production systems of Windsor and AFU<sup>3</sup>
- 3 Raise the quality of existing products (create higher-value-added products) using the Ajinomoto Group's product development capabilities
  - 1. Includes Chinese, Korean, Thai and Indian food
  - 2. AJINA: Ajinomoto North America, Inc.
  - 3. AFU: Ajinomoto Frozen Foods U.S.A., Inc.

Closing

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## (2) Overseas Food Products

Process for integration of Windsor

We have begun examining how to promote integration in stages after the closing.

Nov. 5 PMI\* Day 100

After PMI Day 100

Expand share in a growing market

Develop a new brand strategy

Reinforce earnings structure

Formulate FY2015 plan

Restructure product portfolio

Formulate mediumterm plan

Strengthen existing brands

Create Japanese food brands

Optimize production systems

Improve productivity



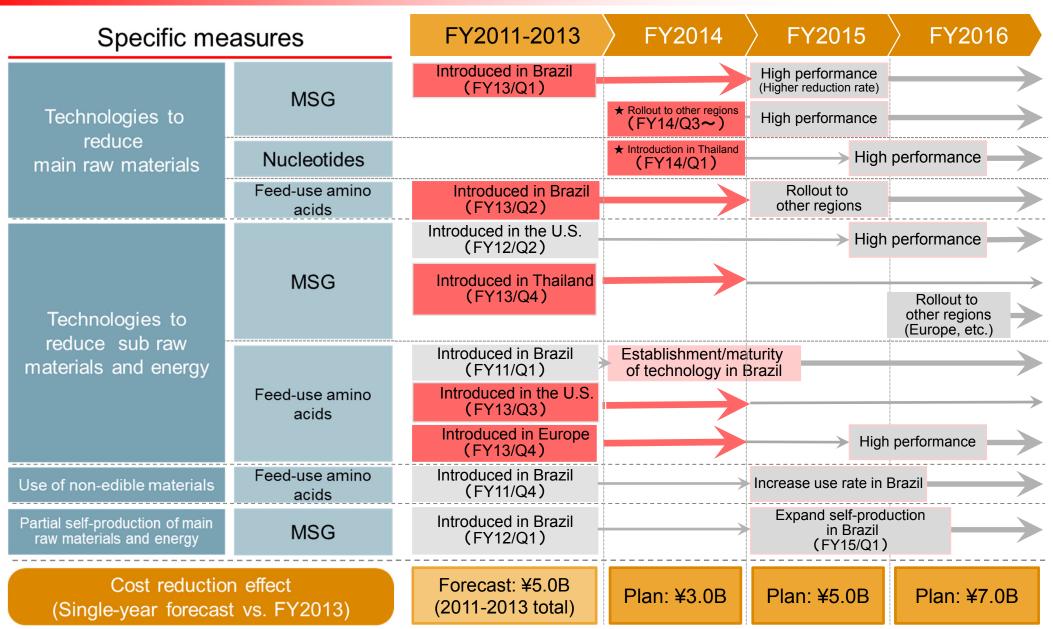
### III. FIT: Further Business Structure Reinforcement

**Technology for Fermentation Using Fewer Resources** 

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# Progress of Fermentation Technology Using Fewer

Resources (R&D Leadership) Achieve ¥3.0 Billion in Cost Reductions in FY2014.





# IV. FY2014 Financial Strategy

## FY2014 Financial Strategy



Investments for Growth and Shareholder Returns: Further increase shareholder value.

Increase year-end dividend by  $42 (410 \rightarrow 412)$ ; full-year dividends  $420 \rightarrow 422$ ) for a forecast payout ratio of approximately 30%.

#### Generate Free Cash Flow

Increase operating income and net income

EBITDA to sales ratio: 11.9%

Weighted Allocation toward Investments for Growth

Proactive use of M&A and alliances

Emphasis on CAPEX

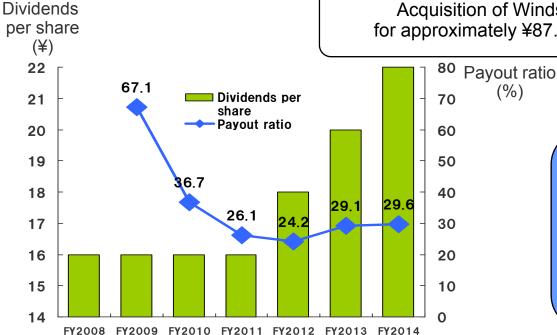
Acquisition of Windsor for approximately ¥87.0 billion

#### Shareholder Returns

Target payout ratio: 30%

Total return: Aim for 50%

Dividend forecast: ¥22 per share/year (Incl. ¥10 per share interim dividend) Payout ratio forecast: 29.6%



#### **Priority of Uses of Cash and Shareholder Returns**

Continue to examine investments for growth (D/E ratio around 50%).

No change in policy of aiming for total return of 50% during the FY-2014-2016 Medium-Term Management Plan while targeting a payout ratio of 30% for each fiscal year.



# V. Animal Nutrition Business Market Environment and Progress of Structural Reform in FY2014

November 10, 2014
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### Structural Reform of Animal Nutrition Business



Most recent

Approx. 210

#### Market Environment

		FY2014	FY2014	
		Assumptions	Forecast	
Spread (USD/ST)		Approx. 230	Approx. 230	
YoY	Lysine	+5%	+5%	
Market	Threonine	+5%	+5%	
Growth	Tryptophan	+35%	+60%	

		Interim FY2014 Review	Outlook
Commodity	Threonine	Chinese manufacturers, decreased market	Underlying trend toward improvement in market prices expected to continue; respond carefully to rapid rebound, especially for Threonine price.
		, , ,	Work to expand demand and stabilize prices by further opening markets.
Specialty	Vallio		Although the entry of a new competitor is expected, work to expand demand and stabilize prices by further opening markets.
	, di. 10 E	Improved product performance and launched in September. Capacity expansion proceeding on schedule.	•

#### Structural Reform of Animal Nutrition Business

**Progress of Structural Reform** 

- (1) Expand specialty businesses
- (2) Strengthen competitiveness of commodity businesses



#### **Reduce volatility**

#### (1) Expand specialty businesses

- > AjiPro®-L
  - Introduce second-generation product (September)
    - = Increase Lysine availability
  - Complete capacity expansion (scheduled for December)
     1,500 tons/yr. ⇒ 6,500 tons/yr.
  - Further improvements in product performance and formulation of capacity expansion plan under consideration
- Expand sales for AminoGut® and other specialty products and focus investment in R&D

# (2) Strengthen competitiveness of commodity businesses

- Introduce new technologies to increase productivity and reduce costs
  - Technology for fermentation using fewer resources
     Proceeding smoothly toward cost reduction target
- Use external resources to increase efficiency
  - Proactively introduce OEM
- Use small investments to strengthen the flexible production system globally (Ex.) Further enhancements at European plant

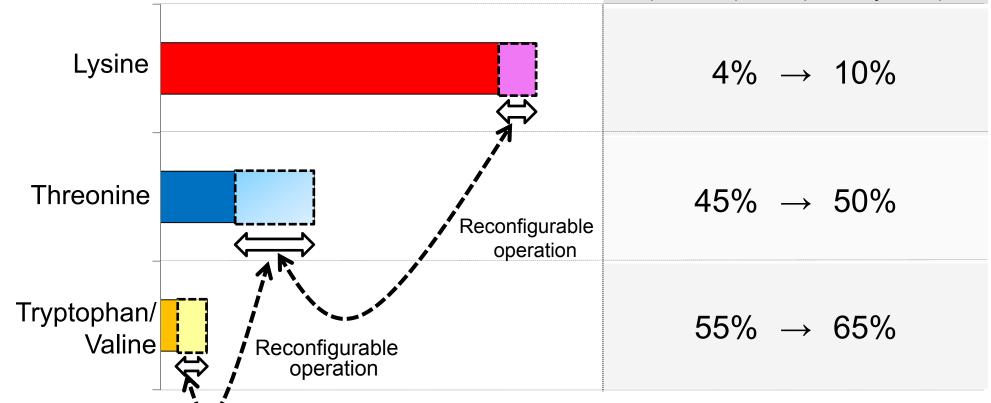
#### Structural Reform of Animal Nutrition Business



Measures to Strengthen the Flexible Production System



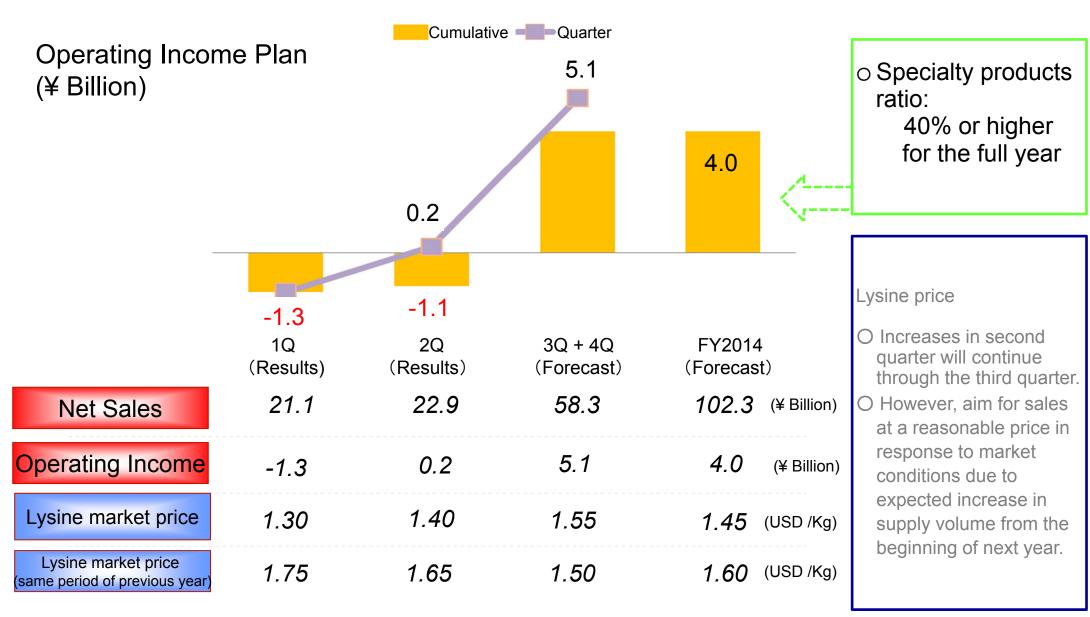
Maximum variability in volume (Current) → (New system)



Production volume

Develop technology to maximize variability in volume through reconfigurable operation to optimize operations in response to market conditions.

# Structural Reform of Animal Nutrition Business FY2014 Results and Forecast





November 10, 2014

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Specific Initiatives for FY2014

# 1) Interim FY2014 results

(¥ Billion)

	1H FY2013	1H FY2014	YoY Change	2H FY2014	FY2014 Full-year Forecast
	Results	Results		Forecast	Forecast
Net sales	27.9	18.8	-9.1	22.1	40.9
Gross profit	16.2	12.5	-3.7	15.0	27.4
Gross profit ratio	58.1%	66.5%	8.4 pt.	67.9%	67.0%
Operating income	1.5	0.2	-1.3	2.1	2.3
OP margin	5.4%	1.1%	-4.3 pt.	9.5%	5.6%

- 1) With the strong impact of the growth of generics in addition to the effect of NHI drug price revisions, net sales excluding the impact of the spin-off of the infusion and dialysis business units decreased ¥3.5 billion (including -¥1.0 billion from NHI drug price revisions) and operating income decreased ¥1.3 billion.
- 2) Operating income for the full fiscal year is expected to be limited to ¥2.3 billion despite expected lump-sum royalty income in the second half.



Specific Initiatives for FY2014

# 2) FY2014-2016 Medium-Term Management Plan

# <u>Basic Policy</u>

Amid expansion of the Ajinomoto Group's food and health domains, handle specialized functions for business expansion in pharmaceuticals and peripheral domains

Problemsolving measures

- Conduct thorough structural reform by revising the functions and rightsizing the organizations and employees of AJINOMOTO PHARMACEUTICALS CO., LTD.
- 2 Strengthen products/pipeline centered on the IBD\* field \*inflammatory bowel diseases
- Accelerate overseas development centered in Asia
- Fully deploy specialized functions in the Ajinomoto Group's peripheral healthcare domains (related to cell culture media, AminoIndex®, etc.)



Specific Initiatives for FY2014

# 3) Conduct thorough structural reform

Revise the functions and right-size the organizations and employees of

AJINOMOTO PHARMACEUTICALS CO., LTD.

Restructure R&D functions

# Restructuring to modulate functions

Research Institute staff: 175 ⇒ 99

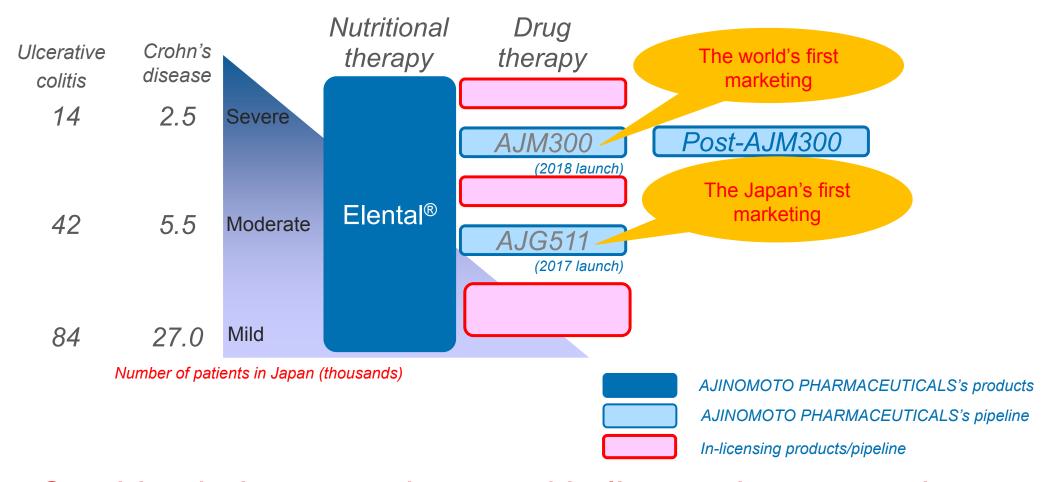
- Streamline discovery functions by specializing in the IBD field
- > Strengthen development functions to increase speed and success rate
- Make thorough use of academia and external resource (accelerate open & linked innovation)

Shift investment from discovery to development and improve pipeline productivity with emphasis on potential



Specific Initiatives for FY2014

# 4) Strengthen products/pipeline [1]



Combine in-house projects and in-licensed compounds to strengthen products/pipeline in the IBD field



Specific Initiatives for FY2014

- 4) Strengthen products/pipeline [2]
- Three measures and outlook -

- 1. In-house development
  - •AJG511: Start of Phase III in 2H FY2014 (launch planned for 2017) (Steroid rectal foam for ulcerative colitis)
  - •AJM300: Scheduled start of Phase III
    in 2H FY2014 (launch planned for 2018)

(Oral α4 integrin antagonist for ulcerative colitis)

- •AJG533: Phase II clinical trial under way (launch planned for 2018) (Treatment for chronic constipation)
- 2. In-licensing of individual products
- 3. Comprehensive business tie-ups

## Three measures

Proactive out-licensing (including co-development/sales in Japan)

Acquire products/pipeline to strengthen digestive field

Comprehensive tie-ups to strengthen the fundamental product potential of AJINOMOTO PHARMACEUTICALS

Incorporate the results of the Ajinomoto Group's cutting-edge R&D to be a manufacturer of pharmaceuticals that are distinctive to the Ajinomoto Group

# **Reference**Assumptions of FY2014 Forecast



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#### Foreign exchange rates (vs JPY)

	Avg. rate	Sensitivity of translation effects to full year O.P.
USD	100.0	±¥1→ approx. ¥50 million
EUR	130.0	±¥1→ approx. ¥50 million
THB	3.2	±¥0.01→ a little over ¥50 million
BRL	44.0	±¥1→ a little under ¥200 million

#### Feed-use amino acids

#### 1) Estimated market size (Thousand MT)

	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014 (Forecast)
Lysine	1,950	2,100	around <b>2,200</b>
Threonine	330	400	around 430
Tryptophan	9	14	around 23

#### 2) Sales volume of the Ajinomoto Group (Thousand MT)

	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014 (Forecast)
Lysine	350	350	around 350
Threonine	95	110	around 110
Tryptophan	4	5	around 5

3) Market price forecast (USD/kg, CIF)

	EV2042	FY2014 (Forecast)**					
	FY2013	1H	Full year				
Lysine	1.60	around <b>1.35</b>	around <b>1.45</b>				
Threonine	2.05	around <b>2.20</b>	around <b>2.50</b>				
Tryptophan	15	around 16	around 17				
Spread*	255	around 280	around 230				

<sup>\*</sup>Spread (USD/ST) is the price difference between soybean meal and corn on the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Does not correspond with assumptions in Ajinomoto's forecast of results.

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# (Appendix)

#### **FY2014 Forecast by Segments**

(¥ Billion)	Α	В	A-B	С	A-C	D	Е	D-E	A-D	C-E	(A-D)-(C-E)		
Domestic Food Products	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised Forecast	2H-FY13 Results	YoY Change	Reasons for Forecast Revision or YoY Change of 2H	
Net sales	312.3	312.3	0.0	299.9	12.4	147.3	144.3	3.0	165.0	155.6	9.4		
Seasonings & processed foods			0.0	196.2	3.5	92.7	92.2	0.5		104.0		• Increases in sales and income from seasonings and processed foods expected in the second half from	
Frozen foods			0.0	103.8	9.0	54.6	52.1	2.5		51.7	6.5	conducting ongoing measures to stimulate demand, etc., while further reducing costs and making more efficient use of expenses through prioritization of marketing expenses.	
Operating income	28.8	28.8	0.0	27.1	1.7	10.1	11.4	-1.3	18.7	15.7	3.0	Increase in second-half sales of frozen food expected from promoting the use of domestic vegetable	
Seasonings & processed foods			0.0	29.2	1.5	11.6	12.1	-0.5		17.1	2.0	ingredients for home-use <i>Gyoza</i> and growth of overseas sales, mainly in North America. In addition, an increase in income is expected in the second half, with factors including the cost reduction effect from regular	
Frozen foods			0.0	5.1	1.5	2.5	2.7	-0.2		2.3	1.5	operation of the new Kanto Plant, where dessert production has been concentrated.	
Shared companywide expenses	-8.5	-8.5	0.0	-7.2	-1.3	-4.0	-3.5	-0.5	-4.5	-3.8	-0.7		
Overseas Food Products	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised Forecast	2H-FY13 Results	YoY Change	Reasons for Forecast Revision or YoY Change of 2H	
Net sales	322.2	322.2	0.0	292.4	29.8	153.1	144.1	9.1	169.1	148.3	20.8	Library revision of energing income from concurrent foods due to further promotion of cost reductions and	
Consumer foods	271.7	271.7	0.0	240.9	30.8	128.0	118.9	9.1	143.7	122.0	21.7	<ul> <li>Upward revision of operating income from consumer foods due to further promotion of cost reductions and more efficient use of expenses.</li> </ul>	
Umami seasonings for processed food mfrs.	50.4	50.4	0.0	51.4	-1.0	25.1	25.2	-0.0	25.3	26.3	-1.0	•Substantial increase in second-half sales of consumer foods expected due to further strengthening of sales	
Operating income	29.4	28.2	1.2	25.0	4.4	16.4	12.8	3.6	13.0	12.2	0.7	promotion activities for top-line growth.	
Consumer foods		//	0.5		5.2			3.6			1.6	•Upward revision of operating income from umami seasonings for processed food manufacturers due to	
Umami seasonings for processed food mfrs.			0.7		1.0			0.6			0.3	strengthening of structural reinforcement including further promotion of cost reductions with technology for fermentation using fewer resources.	
Shared companywide expenses	-11.6	-11.6	0.0	-9.6	-2.0	-5.4	-4.6	-0.8	-6.2	-5.0	-1.2		
Bioscience Products & Fine Chemicals	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised Forecast	2H-FY13 Results	YoY Change	Reasons for Forecast Revision or YoY Change of 2H	
Net sales	238.4	238.4	0.0	228.1	10.3	108.3	111.6	-3.4	130.1	116.5	13.7		
Feed-use amino acids	102.3	102.3	0.0	94.1	8.2	43.9	47.5	-3.5	58.3	46.7	11.7		
Amino acids  Amino acids for			0.0	85.7	2.5	41.1	39.2	1.9		46.5	1.0		
pharmaceuticals and foods				32.0		17.0	16.5	0.4		15.5			
Pharmaceutical fine chemicals				30.0		12.5	11.5	0.9		18.5			
Sweeteners				23.5		11.5	11.0	0.6		12.5		Increases in second-half sales and operating income from feed-use amino acids expected due to higher	
Specialty chemicals		//	0.0	43.1	0.5	21.7	22.3	-0.6		20.8	1.0	selling prices and increased sales volume, mainly for Lysine and Threonine, cost reductions, lower raw	
Other			0.0	5.2	-1.0	1.5	2.7	-1.1		2.5	0.0	material and fuel prices, the contribution from the effect of increased sales of specialty products, etc.	
Operating income	9.7	9.7		6.4	3.3	2.6	3.9	-1.3	7.1	2.5	4.6		
Feed-use amino acids  Amino acids	4.0	4.0	0.0	0.2 5.5	3.8 0.5	-1.1 2.8	0.9 2.1	-1.9 0.7	5.1	-0.6 3.4	5.7 -0.5		
Specialty chemicals			0.0	9.3	0.0	5.5	5.1	0.7		4.2	-0.5		
Other			0.0	-1.8	-0.0	-0.9	-0.8	-0.1		-0.9	-0.0		
Shared companywide expenses	-7.8	-7.8	0.0	-6.9	-0.9	-3.7	-3.3	-0.4	-4.1	-3.6	-0.5		
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Pharmaceuticals	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised Forecast	2H-FY13 Results	YoY Change	Reasons for Forecast Revision or YoY Change of 2H
Net sales	40.9	44.0	-3.1	51.2	-10.3	18.8	27.9	-9.1	22.1	23.3	-1.2	• Downward revision of sales and operating income due to a larger than initially assumed impact from
Operating income	2.3	3.5	-1.2	3.8	-1.5	0.2	1.5	-1.3	2.1	2.3	-0.2	promotion of use of generics under medical system reforms during fiscal 2014.
Pharmaceuticals	3.9	5.1	-1.2	5.3	-1.4	0.9	2.3	-1.4	3.0	3.0	0.0	•The pharmaceuticals business aims to achieve the revised forecast with increased royalty income, sales promotion of self-distributed products and products sold through business tie-ups, and overall improvement of
Shared companywide expenses	-1.6	-1.6	0.0	-1.5	-0.1	-0.7	-0.8	0.1	-0.9	-0.7	-0.2	expenses.
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Other Business	FY2014 Revised Forecast	FY2014 Initial Forecast	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised Forecast	2H-FY13 Results	YoY Change	Reasons for Forecast Revision or YoY Change of 2H
Net sales	94.2	91.1	3.1	79.7	14.5	40.1	41.0	-0.9	54.1	38.7	15.4	
Edible oils & Coffee products			0.0	2.3	0.0	1.0	1.1	-0.1		1.2	0.0	
Operating income	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.3	-0.8	0.2	-0.9	0.6	-0.7	1.2	
Edible oils & Coffee products			0.0	2.2	-0.5	0.9	1.1	-0.2		1.1	-0.0	
Shared companywide expenses	-3.6	-3.6	0.0	-3.0	-0.6	-1.7	-1.5	-0.2	-2.0	-1.5	-0.5	
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Consolidated	FY2014 Revised	FY2014 Initial	Difference	FY2013 Results	YoY Change	Interim FY2014	Interim FY2013	YoY Change	2H-FY14 Revised	2H-FY13	YoY Change	

Forecast

540.4

41.4

A-D

C-E

Results

482.5

32.1

(A-D)-(C-E)

D-E

Change

-1.3

-1.2

Notes:		Nondisclosure
•	(Italic)	Approximation

70.0

Forecast

1,008.0

70.0

Forecast

1,008.0

В

A-B

A-C

Change

56.6

8.2

FY2014

467.6

28.6

FY2013

468.9

29.7

Results

951.4

61.8

0.0

0.0

(¥ Billion)

Net sales

Operating income

Change

57.9

9.3

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