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Performance Trends

FY2018 1H vs. FY2017 1H

(Billions of yen)

	FY2017 1H	FY2018 1H	Change
Sales Revenue	1,040.3	1,122.1	+81.8
Core Operating Income	127.0	102.1	-24.9
Operating Income (IFRS)	136.1	91.9	-44.2
Net Income Attributable to Owners of the Parent	77.1	61.5	-15.6
Naphtha Price	¥37,600/kl	¥51,100/kl	
Exchange Rate	¥111.04/\$	¥110.26/\$	

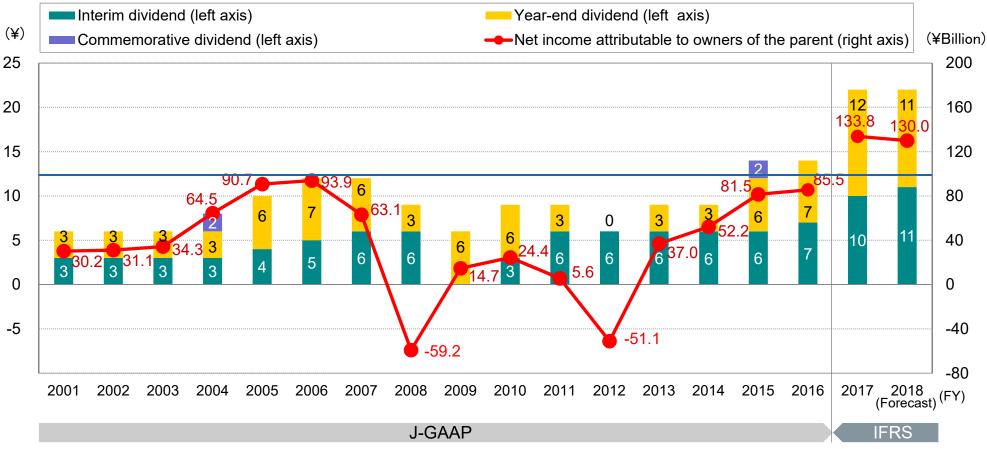
FY2018 1H Core Operating Income by Sector vs. FY2017 1H

(Billions of yen)

	FY2017 1H	FY2018 1H	Change	Reasons for Change
Specialty Chemicals	85.9	69.4	-16.5	
Energy & Functional Materials	10.3	12.8	+2.5	Sales increase of separators
IT-related Chemicals	9.0	14.8	+5.8	Sales increase of polarizing films
Health & Crop Sciences	8.4	2.5	-5.9	Loss on equity method in Nufarm
Pharmaceuticals	58.1	39.3	-18.9	Temporary gains on the transfer of business in FY2017
Bulk Chemicals	41.9	35.4	-6.5	
Petrochemicals & Plastics	41.9	35.4	-6.5	Implementation of periodical maintenance shutdowns in FY2018
Others	-0.7	-2.7	-2.0	
Core Operating Income	127.0	102.1	-24.9	

Dividend Policy

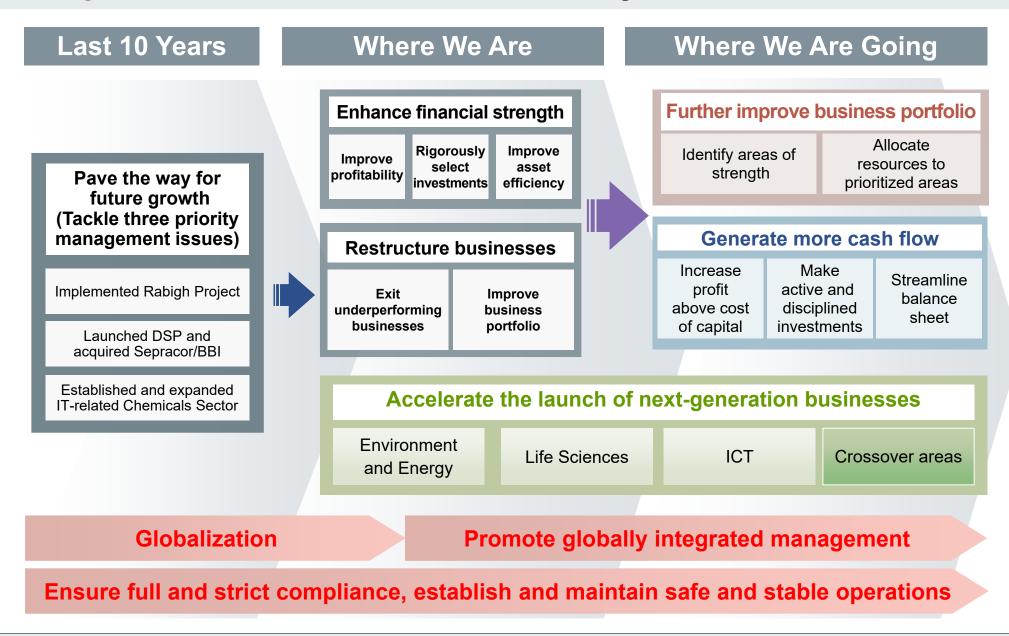
We consider shareholder return as one of our priority management issues and have made it a policy to maintain stable dividend payment, giving due consideration to our business performance and a dividend payout ratio for each fiscal period, the level of retained earnings necessary for future growth, and other relevant factors.



* J-GAAP used through FY2016, IFRS adopted from FY2017.

Progress on Corporate Business Plan (Overall)

Corporate Business Plan: Basic Policy



FY2018 Forecast vs. FY2018 Target

(Billions of yen)

	FY2018 Forecast	FY2018 Target	Change
Sales Revenue	2,490.0	2,540.0	-50.0
Core Operating Income	240.0	240.0	±0
Operating Income (IFRS)	205.0	190.0	+15.0
Net Income attributable to owners of the parent	130.0	110.0	+20.0
Naphtha Price	¥47,000/kl	¥45,000/kl	
Exchange Rate	¥110.00/\$	¥120.00/\$	

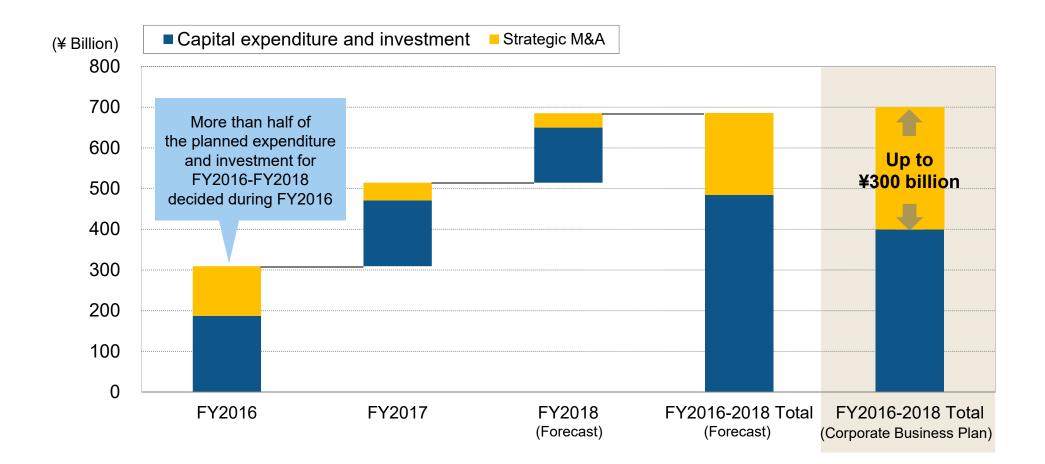
* Forecast and target both based on IFRS

Corporate Business Plan: Medium- to Long-term vs. FY2018 Performance Targets

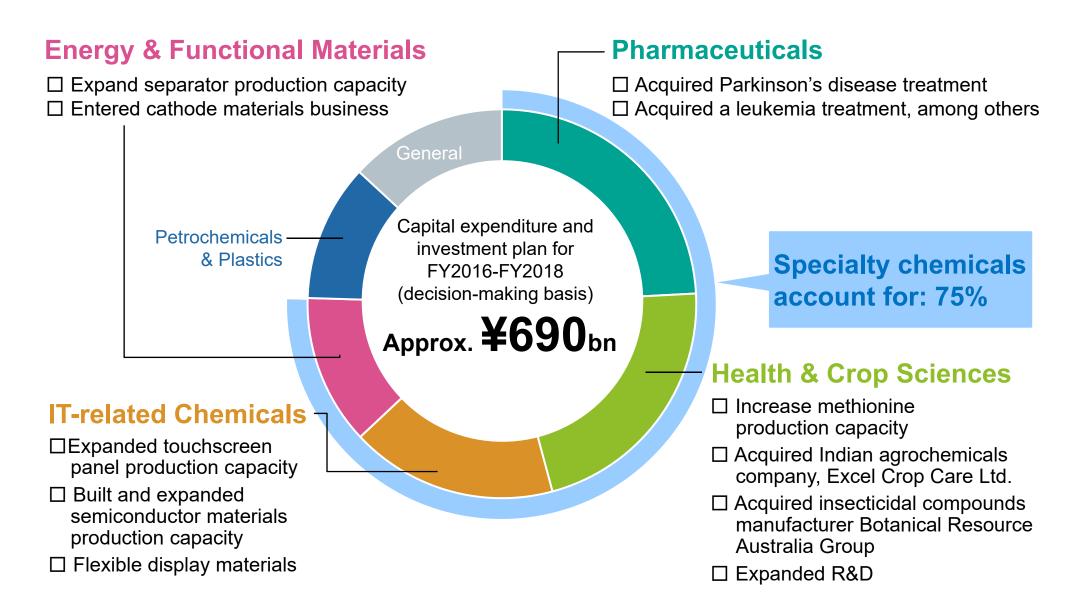
	FY2018 Forecast	FY2018 Corporate Business Plan		Medium- to Long-term Targets
				Consistently achieve the following targets:
ROE	13.4%	12%		over 10%
ROI	7.4%	7%		over 7 %
D/E Ratio	approx. 0.7 times	0.6-0.7 times*		approx. 0.7 times
Dividend Payout Ra	atio 28%	_		approx. 30%
Profit Growth	-	-		over 7 % per year

* Including the effects of strategic M&A investments

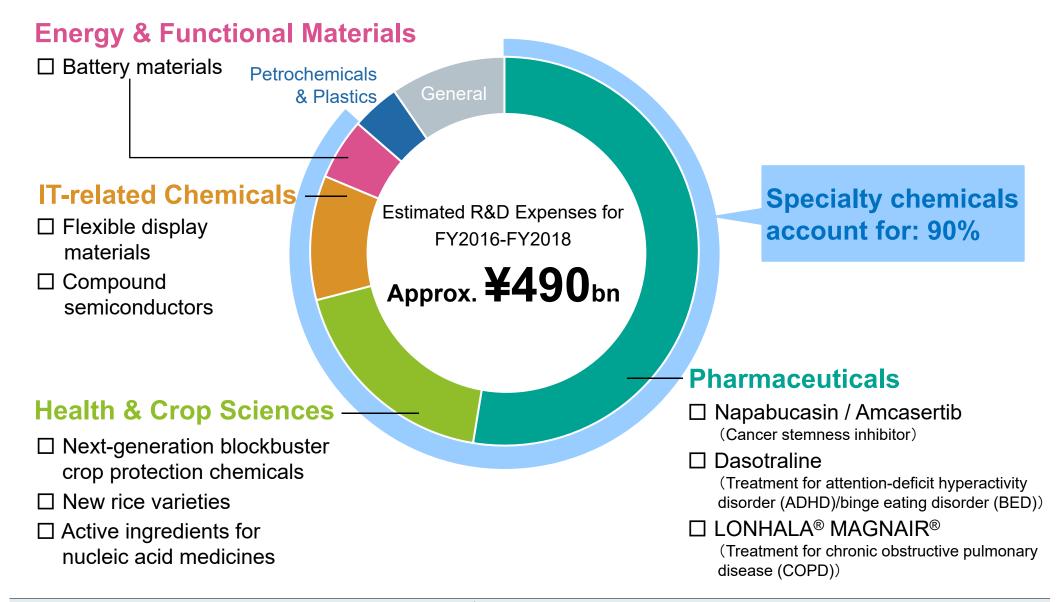
Capital Expenditure and Investment Forecast for FY2016-FY2018 (decision-making basis)



Capital Expenditure and Investment Plan for FY2016-FY2018 (decision-making basis)



Research and Development Expenses Plan for FY2016-FY2018



Major Investments and Commercialization Schedule (Overall)

Investments			Corporate Business Plan for FY2016 to FY2018		P	orate Business Y2019 to FY2	
	Investment Total	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Rabigh Phase II Project	\$9.1 billion USD (PRC's total investment)			1	Growth in a v	vide range of i particula	ndustries, rly in Asia
Building and expansion of heat-resistant separator plants	Approx. 25 billion yen	(Expansion)			-	f the electric ve storage system	
Expansion of polyethersulfone production capacity	A few billion yen	1. der	Growing de	emand for airc	raft and automo and high p	otive structural erformance me	
Expansion of flexible touchscreen panel production facilities	Approx. 9 billion yen		Shift	of smartphone	screens to OL	ED and flexible	e screens
New plants for high-purity semiconductor chemicals (Xi'an and Changzhou, China)	A few billion yen each		, der	1	Growth of the	e semiconduct	or market
Increase of stake in Chinese polarizing film manufacturing subsidiary	(Non-disclosure)		ıdır.	Grow	ving demand fo	r polarizing film	n in China
Expansion of methionine production capacity	Approx. 50 billion yen				(incre	ving methioning asing global p owing demand	opulation/
 Petrochemicals & Plastics IT-related Chemicals Health & Crossing Pharmaceuticals 	Functional Materials p Sciences	: Investment de	ecision made		<u> </u>		

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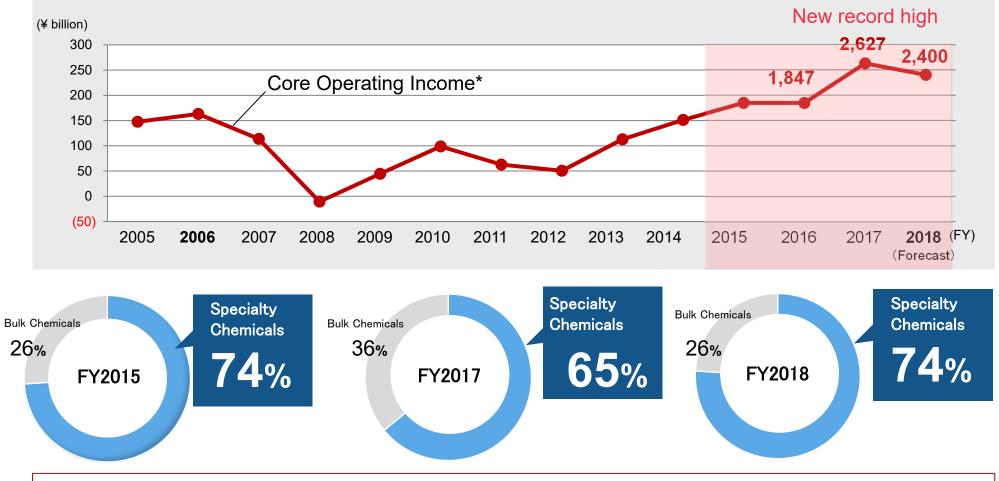
Major Investments and Commercialization Schedule (Overall)

		Corporate Busir	ness Plan for FY	2016 to FY201	8 Corporate Busin	ess Plan for FY2	019 to FY2021
	Investment Total	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Research and development facilities (Brazil, North America, and Takarazuka)	Approx. 10 billion yen			Ac	celerating discov new cr	ery and develo op protection c	•
Construction of new LNG thermal power plant	Approx. 35 billion yen ^{*1}				Reducing envir fuel an	onmental burd d raw material	
Construction of regenerative medicine and cell therapy manufacturing plant	Approx. 3.6 billion yen	a dar	I	Manufactu	Building a GMF uring allogeneic iF		
Acquisitions							
Acquisition of Excel Crop Care	Approx. 13.9 billion yen	ıdır. 📘	(Expa	U	h growth in India's I production drive	•	
Acquired Botanical Resources Australia Group	undisclosed		i Gr	owing demar	nd for insecticides household, vec		
Acquisition of Cynapsus Theruapeutics	Approx. 66 billion yen		(film formulati	Improved c ion to replace adr	onvenience for ninistration by	
Acquisition of Tolero Pharmaceuticals	Approx. 23.6 billion yen (upfront payment) ^{*2}	, de -				options for trea acute myeloid	
 Petrochemicals & Plastics IT-related Chemicals Health & Crossing Pharmaceuticals 		: Investment	decision made		er plant construction ex payments for developm		-
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Change in Business Portfolio

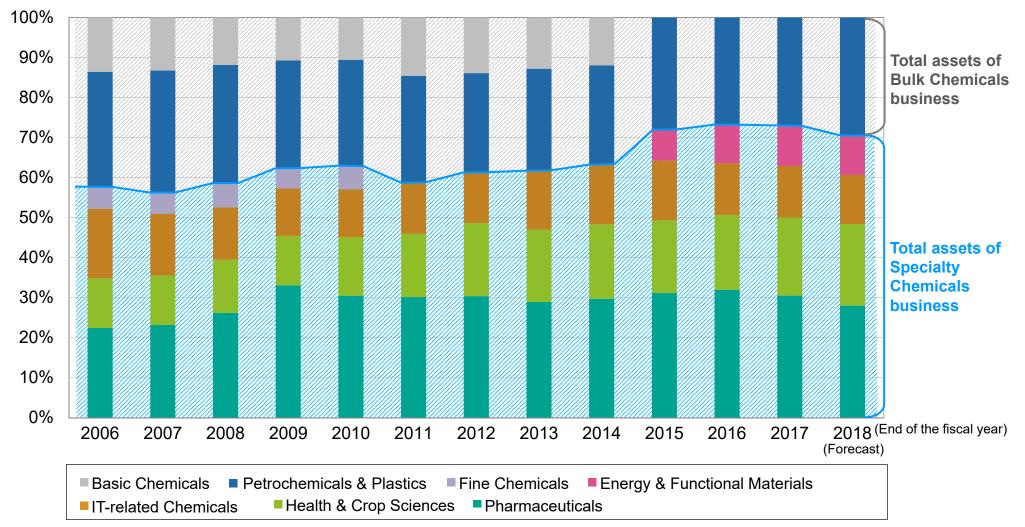
Change in core operating income and its composition

*Through FY2015: sum of operating income and equity in earnings of affiliates under J-GAAP.



Steady increase in profitability of specialty chemicals business

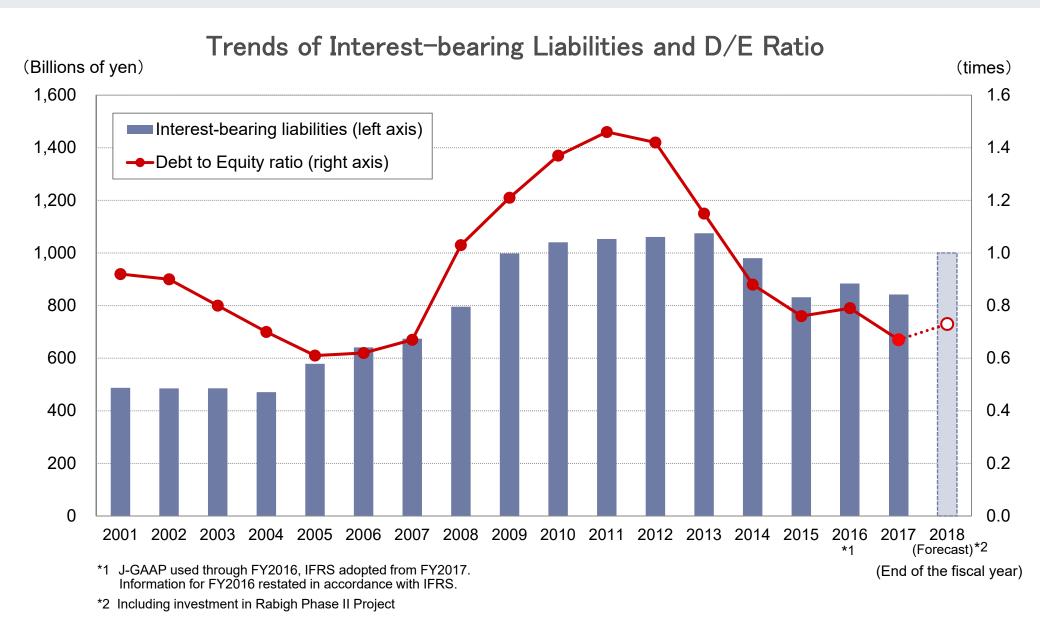
Changes in Our Business Portfolio



Changes in Asset Structure*

* Excluding Others and Eliminations

Management of Cash Flow



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Business Strategy and Topics (by Sector)

Petrochemicals & Plastics: Challenges and Business Strategy and Progress Status

Maintain a high operating rate at Petro Rabigh Enhance high value-added business in Singapore

Business Strategy	Progress Status			
Rabigh Phase I Project: Stable operation	Maintaining high and stable operation (since Q2 2017)			
Rabigh Phase II Project: Construction and start of operation	Shipment started for all products			
	Modified polypropylene lines (from automotive use to food packaging use)			
Enhance high value-added	Launched polypropylene for separators (TPC)			
business	Enhanced polypropylene compounding capacity (capacity expansion in the US and China, new facilities constructed in India)			
Restructure businesses	Restructuring of caprolactam business (under consideration)			
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Challenges

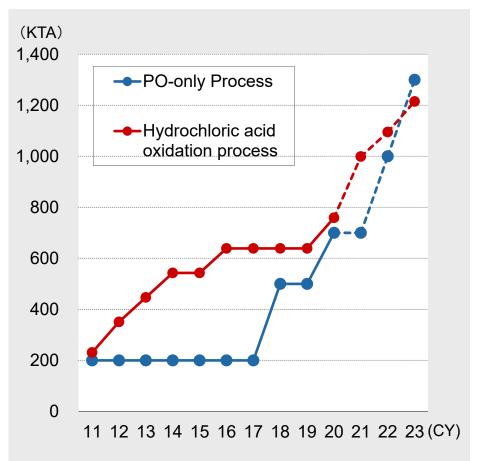
Petrochemicals & Plastics: Expanding the Technology Licensing Business

Line-up of technologies available for licensing



	o-only Process Jumene PO-only Proc	cess)			
	No byproductsHigher yields impact, lower environmental				
Ну	drochloric acid oxic	lation process			
 Significantly saves energy Recycling by-product into raw materials 					
Others Techno	logies				
• LLDPE	•LDPE(EVA)	• PP			
• MMA / PMMA	• EPDM	● C4's			
Decision to Enhance Catalyst Production Capacity					
	PE·PP Catalyst	PO Catalyst			
Start of operations	Q1 FY2019	Q3 FY2019			

Licensee facilities steadily increasing

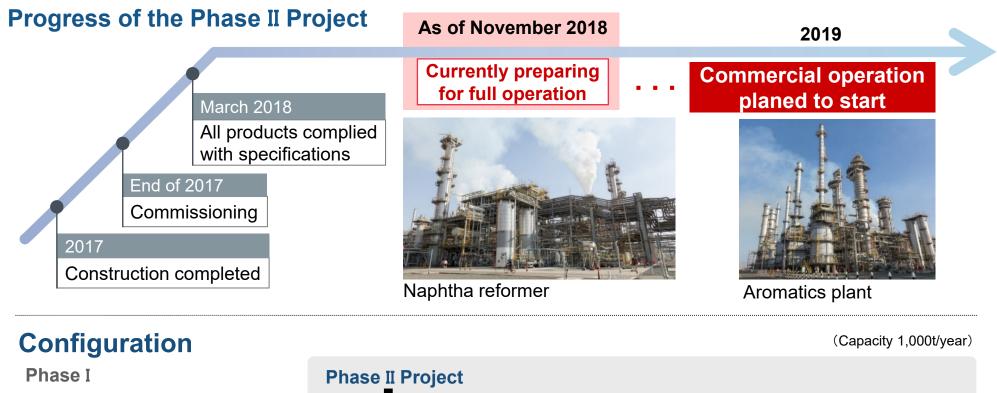


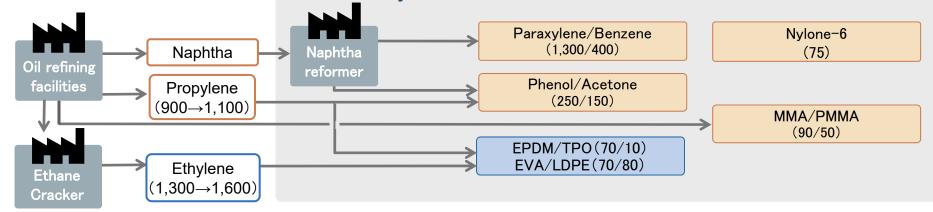
Expand technology licensing and catalyst sales business

Achieve stable revenue

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Petrochemicals & Plastics: Rabigh Phase II Project





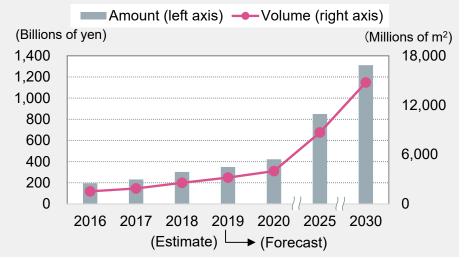
Energy & Functional Materials: Challenges and Business Strategy/Progress

Challenges	 Develop the battery materials business into a core business Build eco-friendly car components business 				
Business	s Strategy	Progress			
of ba	ance the lineup attery materials increase luction capacity	 Entered cathode materials business (Acquired a majority stake in Tanaka Chemical Corp.) Expand separator production capacity (Production capacity: 100 million m²/year to 400 million m²/year) 			
our e in ec	and the use of existing products co-friendly car ponents	 Expanded PES production capacity (Production capacity: 3,000t/year to 6,000t/year) PES adopted for use in engine control valves 			
unde	ructure erperforming nesses	 Decided to exit the DPF business Restructured S-SBR business (Established ZS Elastomer Co., Ltd.) 			

Energy & Functional Materials: Expand the Lithium-ion Secondary Battery Separators Business

Studying possible production capacity expansion in South Korea (Daegu)

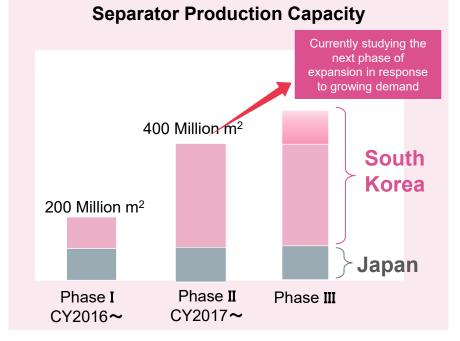
Separator Market Trend



(Source) "Future Outlook of Energy, Large Scale Secondary Battery, and Materials 2018; Energy Devices" by Fuji Keizai

Initiatives to Expand Business

- Responding to existing customers' increasing demand
- Adopted by new customers in Japan
- Currently working with prospective customers outside Japan, primarily in China and Europe





Quickly responding to increasing demand of new and existing customers

Energy & Functional Materials: Expansion of Liquid Crystal Polymer (LCP) business

LCP for Supporting Next-Generation Mobile Telecommunications (5G) Society

Characteristics of High-Frequency Materials Required by 5G

- Low permittivity/low dielectric loss tangent
- Low water absorption (under high temperature and high humidity)

The characteristics of LCP well match these requirements.



Trends in high-frequency substrate materials market



Millimeter-wave automotive radar
 Next-generation (5G) communications

Our product lineup

Melt type with excellent processability

Solution type most suitable for thin film

Firmly seize business opportunities in next-generation high-speed communications

IT-related Chemicals: Challenges and Business Strategy/Progress on Strategic Initiatives

Challenges	 Challenges Develop and launch new materials supporting the advance of display technology Strengthen the foundations of Sumitomo Chemical's semiconductor materials business, which is expected to grow on the back of digital transformation 					
Busines	s Strategy	Progress				
	nd D materials and conents business	Expanded sales of circularly polarizing film Launched and expanded applications for liquid crystal coated-type polarizing film Enhanced production capacity for touchsc Full-scale launch of polymer OLED materi (acquired new shares in JOLED)	reen panels (Glass, Film)			
Accelerate the development of flexible display materials and components		Studied mass production of window film Development of multi-functional materials progress	and components in			
(for ph	mize uction capabilities notoresists, high-purity cals and other high- mance materials)	Expanded production capacity for photore (Osaka Works, Dongwoo Fine-Chem) Expand and strengthen production capacit high-performance chemicals in China (Xi'a	ties for			

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IT-related Chemicals: Business Development for Medium-size Displays Applications

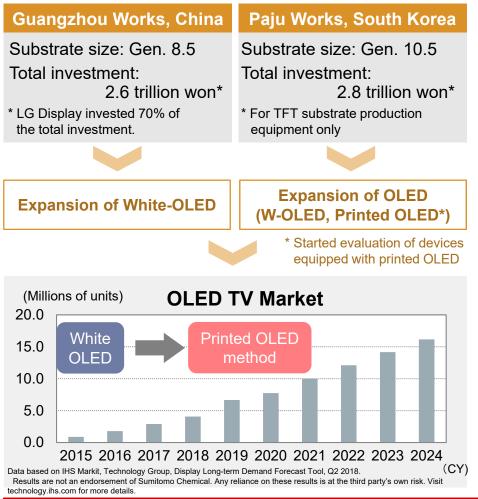
Full-scale Launch of Polymer OLED Materials Business

資金調	達	JOLED's Nomi Site	Target
Capital raise by share			Medium-size displays (10 to 32 Inch)
Subscriber	Billions of yen		
DENSO	30		
Toyota Tsusho	10	Start operation in 2020	
Sumitomo Chemical	5	Construction of printed OLED display	
Screen Finetech Solutions	2	commercial production line	
Total	47	To supply our polymer OLED materials	High-end monitors

Anticipating printed OLED displays will be used in a wider range of applications such as automotive use

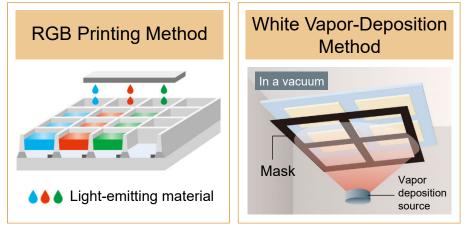
IT-related Chemicals: Commercialization of Polymer OLED Materials

LG Display's Plan for OLED Investment



Advantages of the Printing Method for Polymer OLEDs

Manufacturing process



Advantages

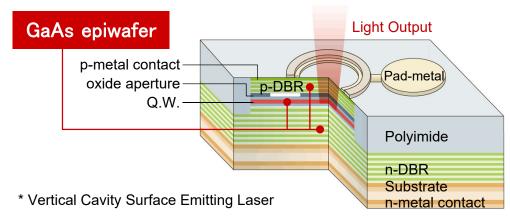
- No expensive masking required
- High material-use efficiency
- Excellent resolution (8K)

Commercial production expected to start as early as in FY2019

IT-related Chemicals:

Compound Semiconductor Business Development for Automotive Applications

Growing Demand for GaAs epiwafer for Use in VCSEL* 3D Sensors



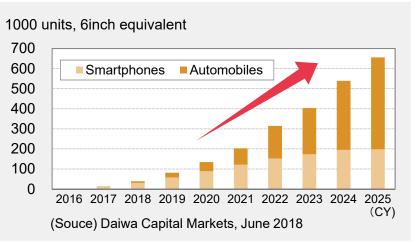
VCSEL applications

Smartphone, 3D imaging Present Future Automotive applications (face authentication) and others 1 2 2 2 1 **Driver** monitoring Autonomous driving **Driving support**

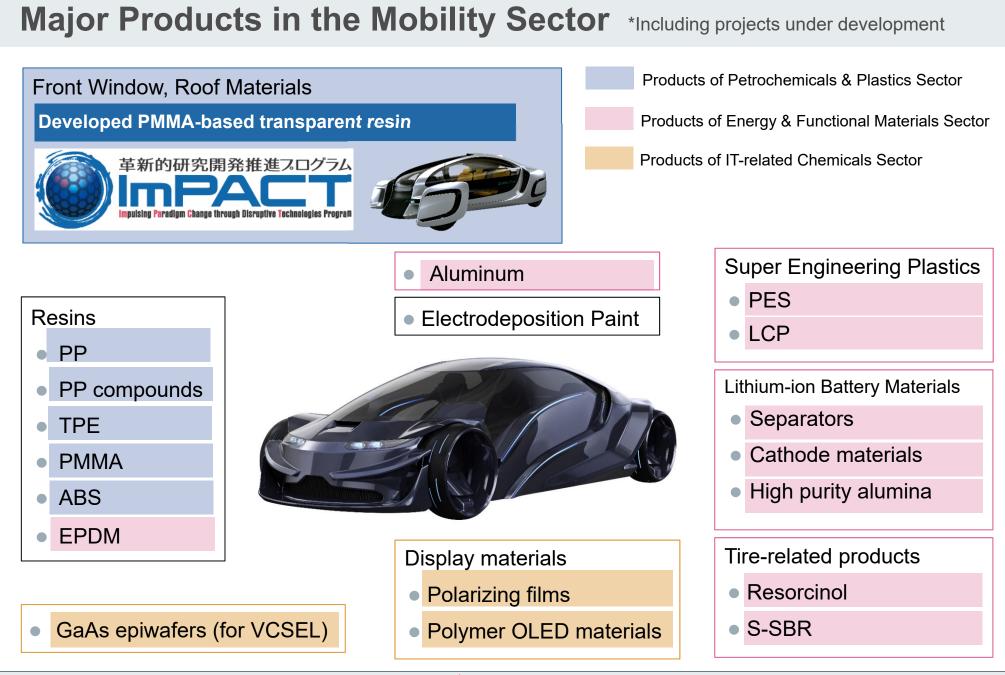
GaAs epiwafer market expected to expand driving by demand growth in automotive applications

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VCSEL Wafer Market



Create New Value



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Health & Crop Sciences:

Challenges and Business Strategy/Progress on Strategic Initiatives

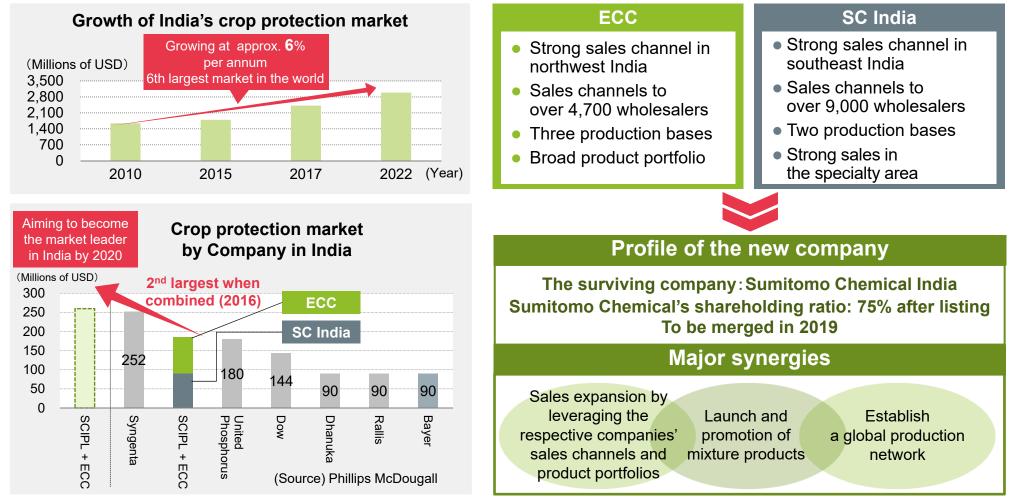
Challenges

Build a global business foundation as a solutions provider in crop protection and environmental health businesses

Business Strategy	Progress
Enhance our global footprint	Acquired Excel Crop Care Ltd., an Indian agrochemicals company, which will merge with Sumitomo Chemical India
Accelerate development of new products (B2020, A2020)	 Development of B2020 in progress (Registration applications filed for a product) Alliances with major agrochemical companies Expanding R&D facilities and test fields
Expand our differentiated businesses (biorational and rice businesses)	 Acquired a plant growth regulator business from Kyowa Hakko Bio. Acquired Botanical Resources Australia Group Entered into the rice business
Expand methionine business	 Commercial production begun at our new plant Expand sales through collaboration with ITOCHU

Health & Crop Sciences: Strengthening Crop Protection Business India

Merger of Excel Crop Care Ltd. and Sumitomo Chemical India



Contribute significantly to increasing our presence in the fast growing crop protection market in India

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Health & Crop Sciences: Progress in Pipeline Development

B2020

Compound	Use	Evaluation	Full-scale development	Registration
INDIFLIN [™] (inpyrfluxam)	Agricultural fungicide e.g. Soybean rust		✓ Completed	✓ Submitted in 2017
PAVECTO [™] (methyltetraprole)	Agricultural fungicide e.g. Septoria		✓ Completed	✓ Submitted in 2018
ALLES [™] (oxazosulfyl)	Agricultural insecticide e.g. Major rice pests etc.		✓ Completed	Plan to submit in Q1 2019
Product Name Undecided (pyridaclomethyl)	Agricultural fungicide e.g. Field crop and vegetable diseases		✓ Completed	

A2020

Pipeline A	Next generation herbicide effective against weeds having resistance issue	Full-scale development started
Pipeline B	Agricultural plant growth regulator	Full-scale development in progress
Pipeline C	Botanical insecticide for agriculture and household hygiene	Full-scale development in progress
Pipeline D	Agricultural insecticide to control insecticide-resistant pests	Evaluation in progress

Business Potential: approx. ¥150-200 billion

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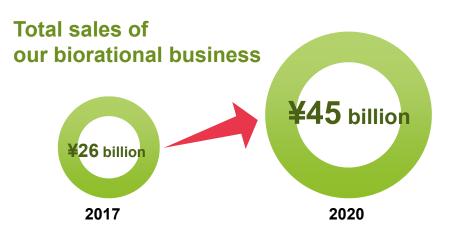
Health & Crop Sciences: Expansion of Our Biorational Business

Expansion of our Biorational Business Biorationals Market

Year	Topics
2000	Purchased microbial pesticides business from Abbott laboratories → Established Valent Biosciences (VBC)
2014	Built Valent Biosciences LLC, Osage Plant (Iowa)
2015	Purchased Mycorrhizal Applications
2016	Signed two agreements on licensing, development and commercialization cooperation with Lidochem and with Rizobacter
2017	Purchased biorational business from Kyowa Hakko Bio
2018	Built Biorational Research Center



	Market size	Annual growing rate
Microbial pesticides	For agricultural use: ¥50 billion For household and public hygiene: ¥11.7 billion	9-11%
Plant growth regulators	¥33 billion	3-5%
Biorational rhizosphere	¥28 billion	10-12%



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Pharmaceuticals: Progress on Strategic Initiatives

Challenges				
Business Strategy	Progress			
In-license and acquire third-party products under development	 Launched COPD treatments (Peak revenue: Approx. 50 billion yen) NDA field for Parkinson's treatment (Peak revenue: Approx. 50 billion yen) 			
Accelerate the development of products in late-stage development	 Acquired Cynapsus Therapeutics (Parkinson's treatment) Acquired Tolero Pharmaceuticals (hematologic cancer treatment) Acquired the license for diabetes treatment Imeglimin 			
Accelerate the development of regenerative and cellular medicine	 Began operation of the regenerative medicine and cell therapy manufacturing plant Began physician-initiated clinical trials for Parkinson's disease treatment 			
Reform the structure of our pharma business in Japan	 Implemented an early retirement program in Japan (Sumitomo Dainippon Pharma) Established the Japan Business Unit as a cross-functional virtual organization for strengthening domestic business 			

World's First Commercial Manufacturing Facility for

Allogenic iPS Cell-derived Medicines"SMaRT"

Pharmaceuticals: Initiatives in Regenerative Medicine & Cell Therapy Business

Proposed indication, etc.	Partnering	Region (planned)	Clinical research/ Clinical study
Chronic stroke (SB623)	SanBio	North America	Phase 2b study in progress ^{*1}
AMD (age-related macular degeneration)	Healios RIKEN	Japan	Preparing for clinical study
Parkinson's disease (Designated as a "SAKIGAKE")	Kyoto Univ CiRA	Global	Clinical study started august 2018
Retinitis pigmentosa	RIKEN	Global	Preparing for clinical research
Spinal cord injury	Keio Univ Osaka National Hospital	Global	Preparing for clinical research

*1 Planning to conduct Phase 3 study, but aiming to apply for accelerated approval, depending on Phase 2b study results.

*2 Launch schedule is based on our plan and not agreed on by partners.

- Advance development of five projects in Japan and the U.S.
- **1st Stage** (early 2020s) • Build a GMP production framework
 - Continue striving for next-generation technologies
- Launch a product in Japan and the U.S. (late 2020s) • Enhance and expand
 - Ennance and expand next-generation pipeline

Aim to launch in

FY2022^{*2}

3rd Stage (around 2030)

GMP Compliant

all processes

Closed production lines* for

each production zone

Independent HVAC systems for

* Raw materials and products are not exposed to the

outside environment (non-sterile environment)

- Commence full-fledged commercialization of multiple products in Japan and the U.S.
- Roll out new businesses

Expected to grow into a core business of the Pharmaceuticals sector by 2030

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Status of LATUDA[®] ANDA litigations (U.S. Patent No.9,815,827 / 9,907,794)

Litigations filed in February 2018

Focused efforts concerning '827 patent, while reserving the right to dispute the court's construction of claim and assert infringement regarding '794 patent in an appeal

- ✓ Claim construction ruling (Markman Ruling) issued by the court on October 5, 2018
- Preparing for the trial, expected to be an intensive one for a week in late November to early December 2018
- In parallel with the preparation for the trial, the court has required that, under its direction, DSP/Sunovion participate in separate settlement negotiation with each defendant
 - Number of defendants has been reduced from the original 16 defendants to 10 defendants (as of October 29, EST), thanks to settlement efforts made so far

Litigations newly filed after May 2018

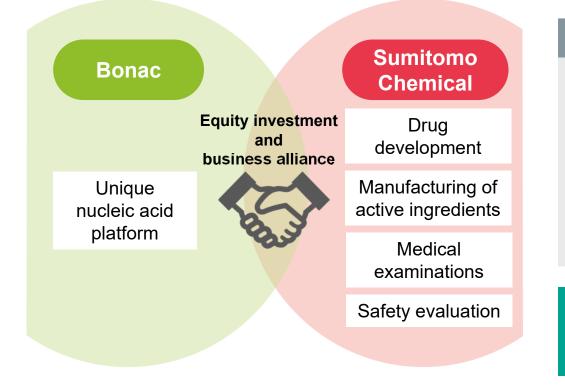
- Subsequent to May 2018, we filed, similarly to the above February litigation, three additional lawsuits to assert '827 and '794 patents (one filing each in August, September and October) against three generic manufacturers who newly filed ANDA
- The trial schedule of the February litigations not affected by these new litigations, as these litigations proceed independently of the above February litigations

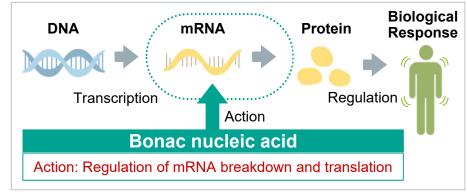
(Source) Dainippon Sumitomo Pharma Investors Meeting Presentation for Q2 FY2018 presented on October 30, 2018

Pharmaceuticals: Initiatives in Nucleic Acid Medicine

Nucleic Acid Medicine

Next-generation treatment following small molecule pharmaceuticals and biopharmaceuticals, such as antibody drugs





News

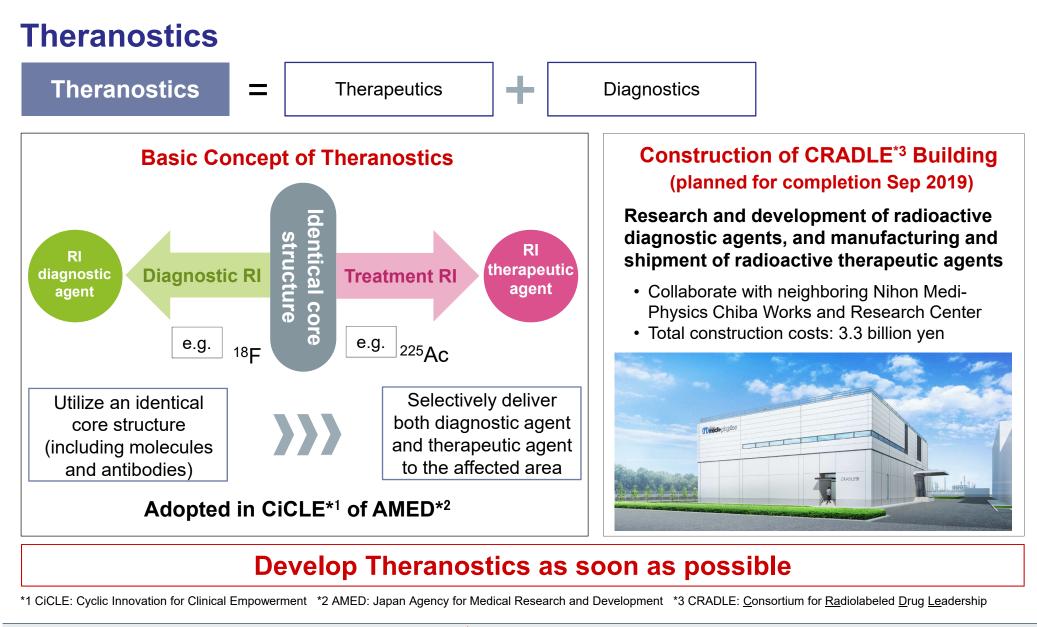
Phase I clinical trials have begun for nucleic acid medicine TRK-250 (idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis treatment), jointly developed by Bonac and Toray Industries.

SC is to supply the active ingredient

Compliant with GMP
High yield
Scalable

Seek to enhance synergies of the alliance, including application of the long-chain nucleic acid synthesis technology to gene therapy

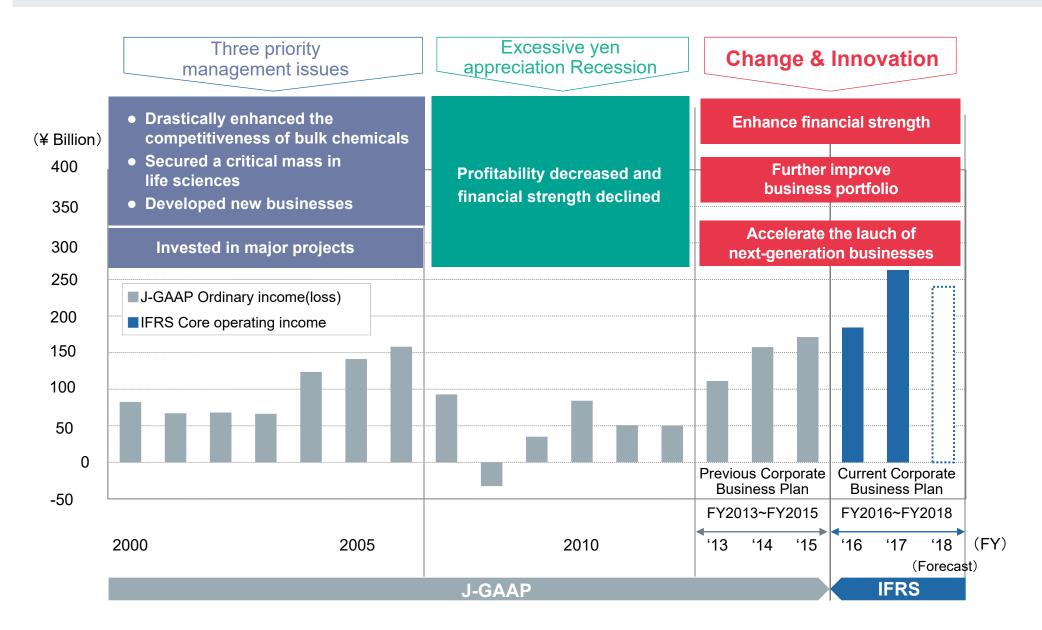
Pharmaceuticals: Nihon Medi-Physics Expansion of Healthcare Businesses



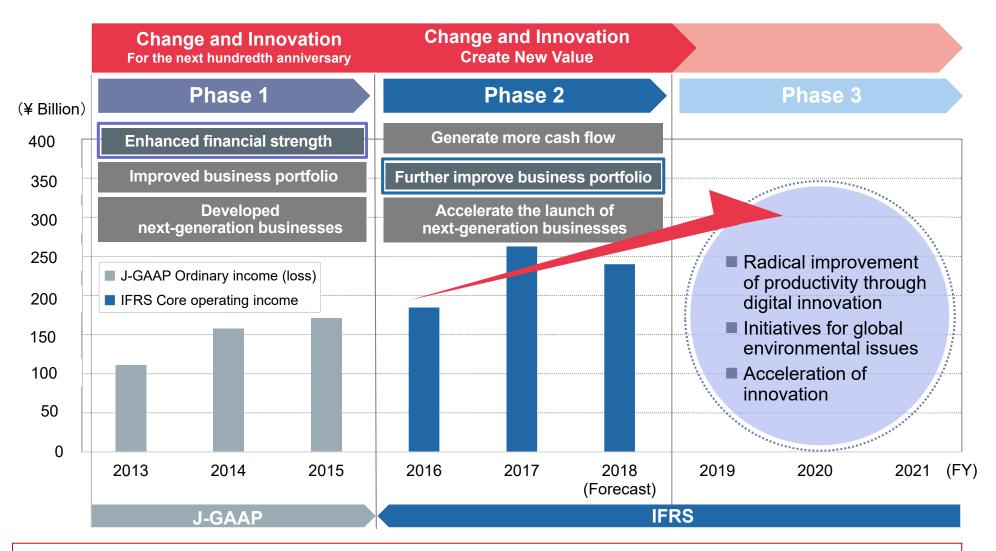
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Direction of Future Business Strategy

Management Strategy and Performance Trends from the early 21st century



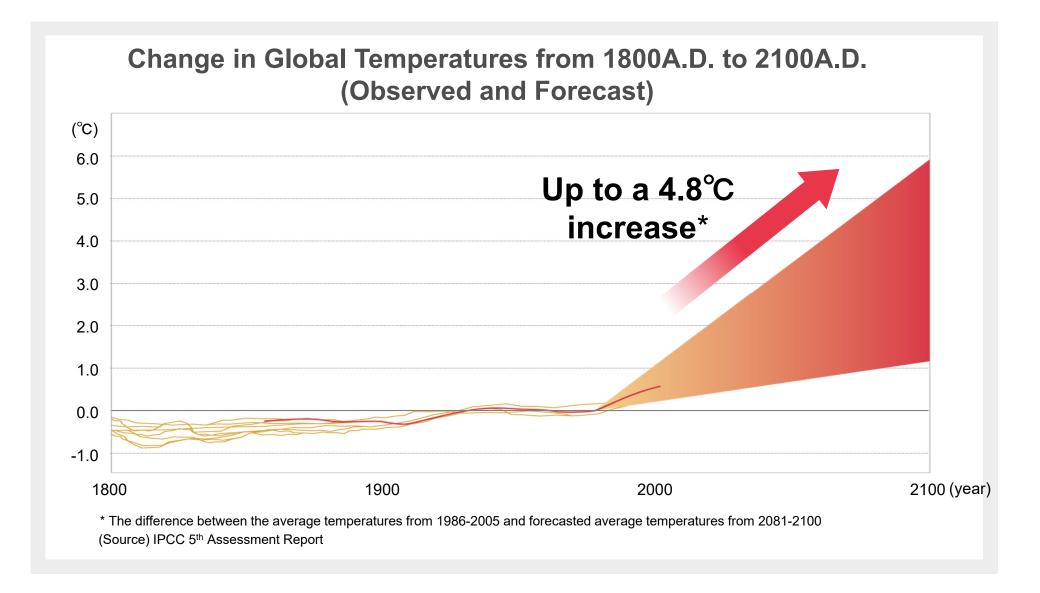
Current Management Strategy and Performance Trends: Management by Phase



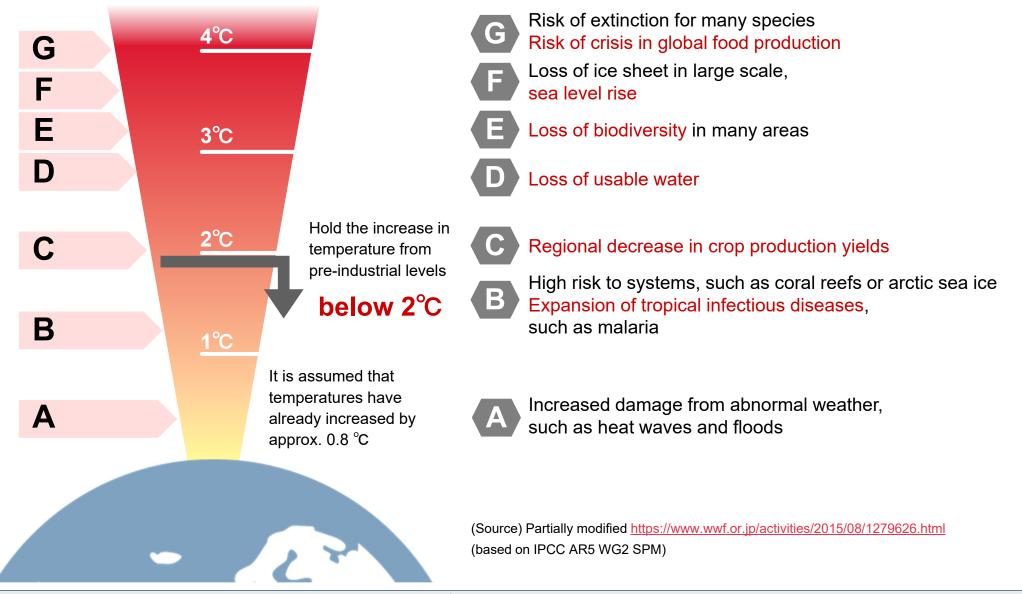
Towards achieving continuous value creation

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Initiatives for Global Environment Issues



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Initiatives for Global Environment Issues

Participation in external initiatives



TCFD: Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, established by the Financial Stability Board

Our Efforts



Since August 2018:

Joined in the "TCFD Study Group," led by Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry for mobilizing green finance through proactive corporate disclosure

> Studying how to improve disclosure so that Japanese companies' strengths will be fully valued

> > Expanding Opportunities (Contributing through own business)

Sales of environmentally friendly products

Sumika Sustainable Solutions Expand sales of the products designated as SSS

Reduction of emissions throughout the product life cycle

Reduction of emissions from our own operations

Contribution through environmentally friendly products

Initiatives for Global Environmental Issues

Our greenhouse gas reduction targets have been certified by the SBT Initiative

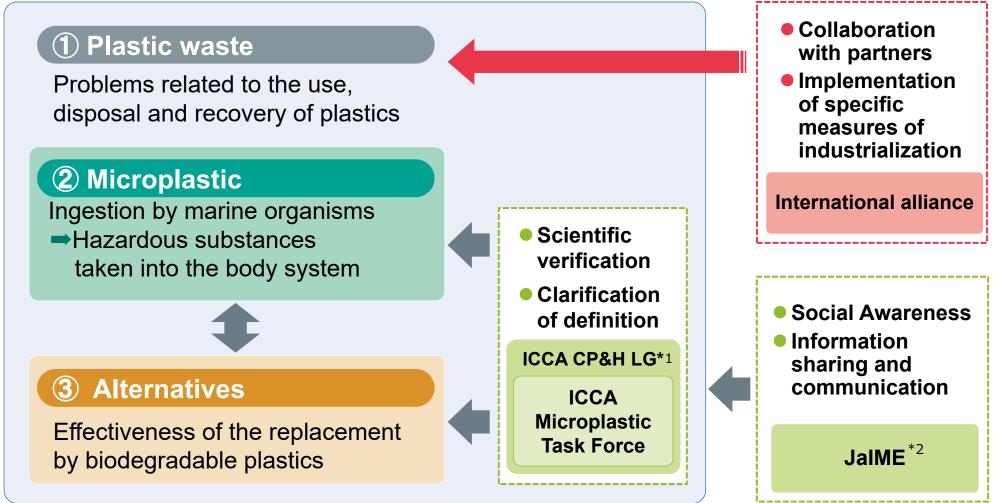


- *1 Scope1 : Direct emissions from factory operations, such as fuel use in manufacturing processes Scope2: Indirect emissions from purchases of power and heat from outside the factory
- *2 Scope3 : Emissions from the manufacturing and transportation of purchased raw materials
- *3 Compared to FY2013

- *4 Compared to FY2013. In addition to Scope1 and Scope2 GHG emissions reduction, the company provides solutions to significantly reduce GHG emissions across the value chain.
- *5 Engage major suppliers (suppliers who in aggregate account for 90% of purchased raw materials on a weight basis) in the SBT efforts so that they set their own science-based GHG reduction targets.

The Issue of Plastic Waste

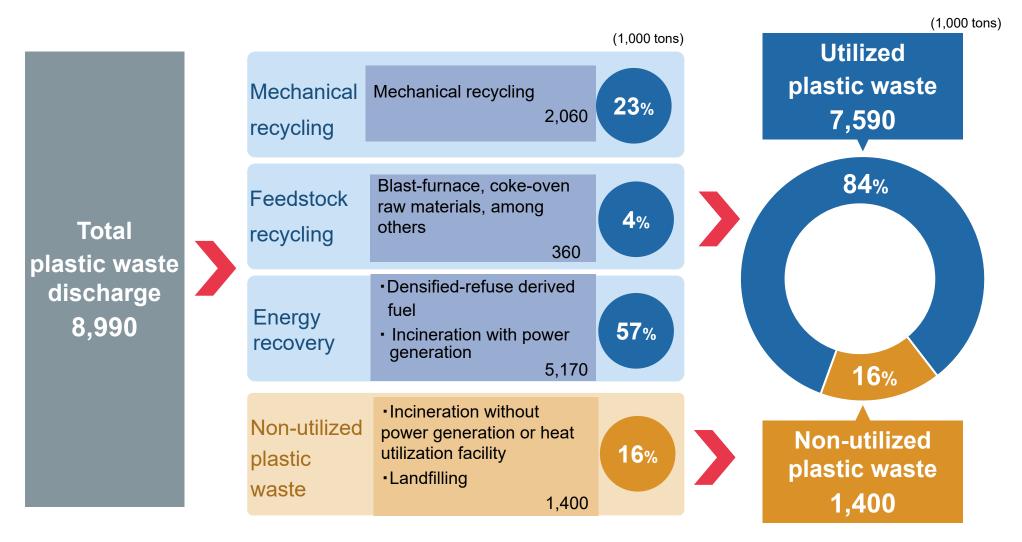
Our commitment through participation in external initiatives



- *1 International Council of Chemical Associations, Chemical Policy & Health Leadership Group
- *2 Japan Initiative for Marine Environment

The Issue of Plastic Waste

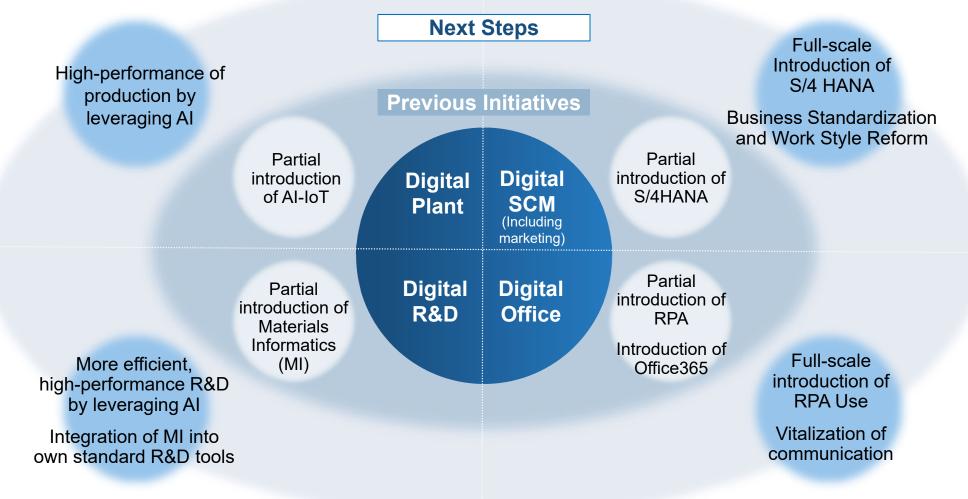
Flowchart of disposal and recovery of domestic plastic waste, 2016



(Source) PWMI (Plastic Waste Management Institute), "An introduction to Plastic Recycling in Japan 2018", partially modified by Sumitomo Chemical

Drastic Improvement of Productivity through Digital Innovation

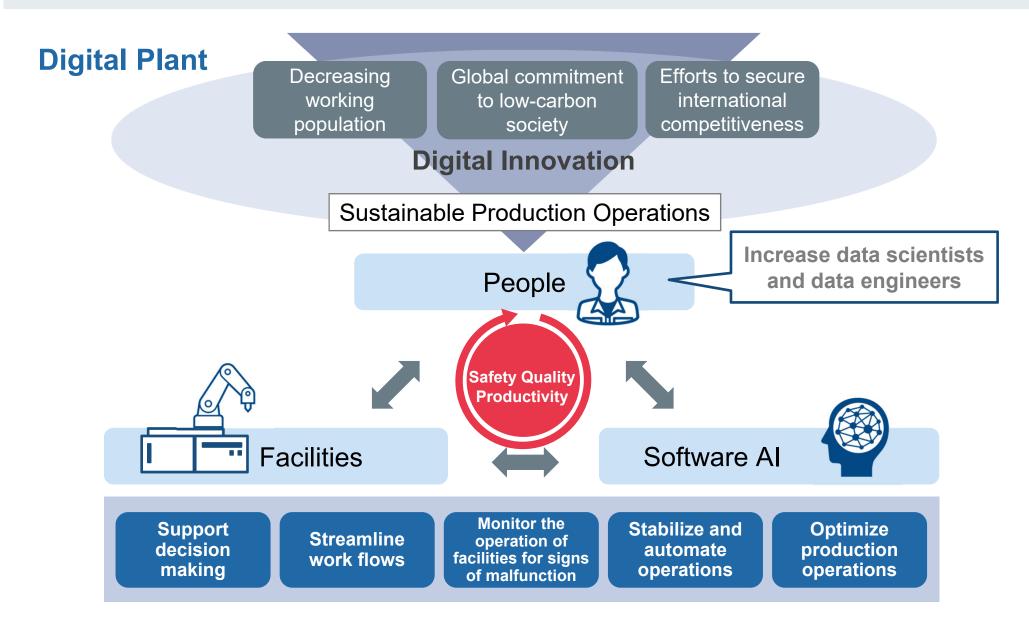
From Introduction of Prototypes to Full-scale Rollouts



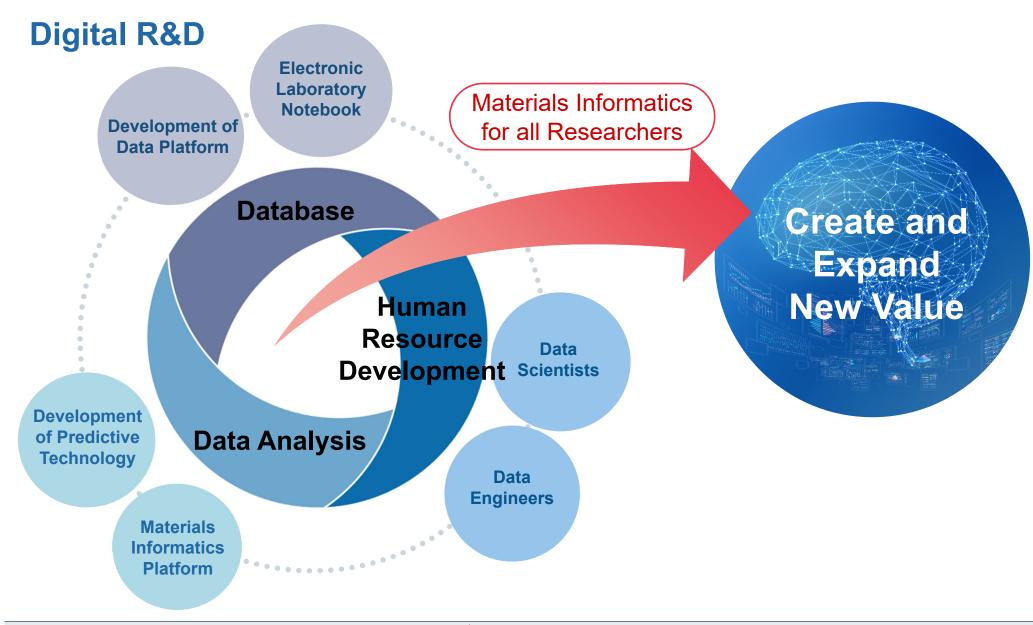
Promote value creation through digital innovation

Current Priority Management Issues and Business Strategy SUMITOMO CHEMICAL

Digital Innovation in Production and Research

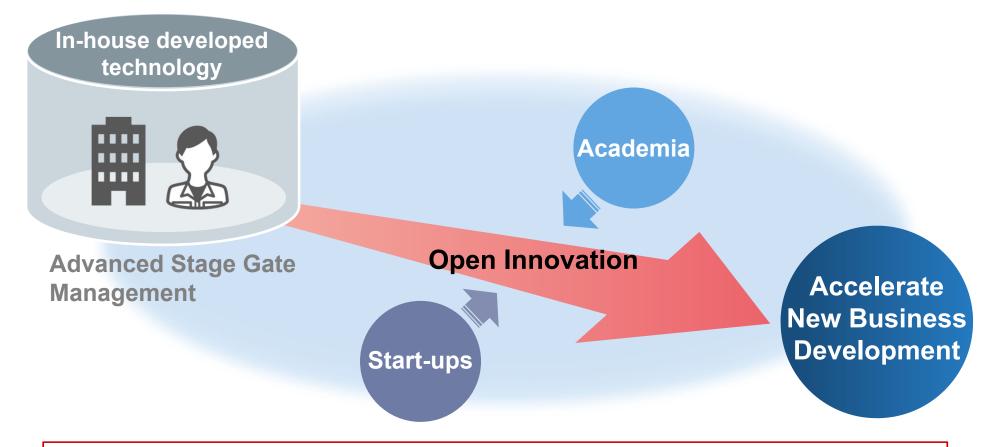


Digital Innovation in Production and Research



Initiatives to Accelerate Innovation

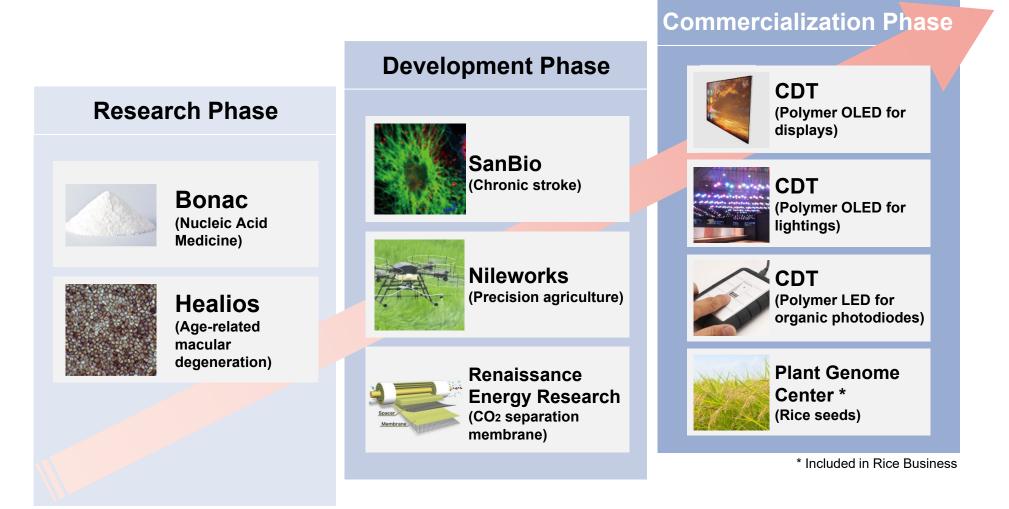
Accelerate new business development by further strengthening in-house technology development and more actively promoting external collaboration



Create autonomous and sustainable innovation

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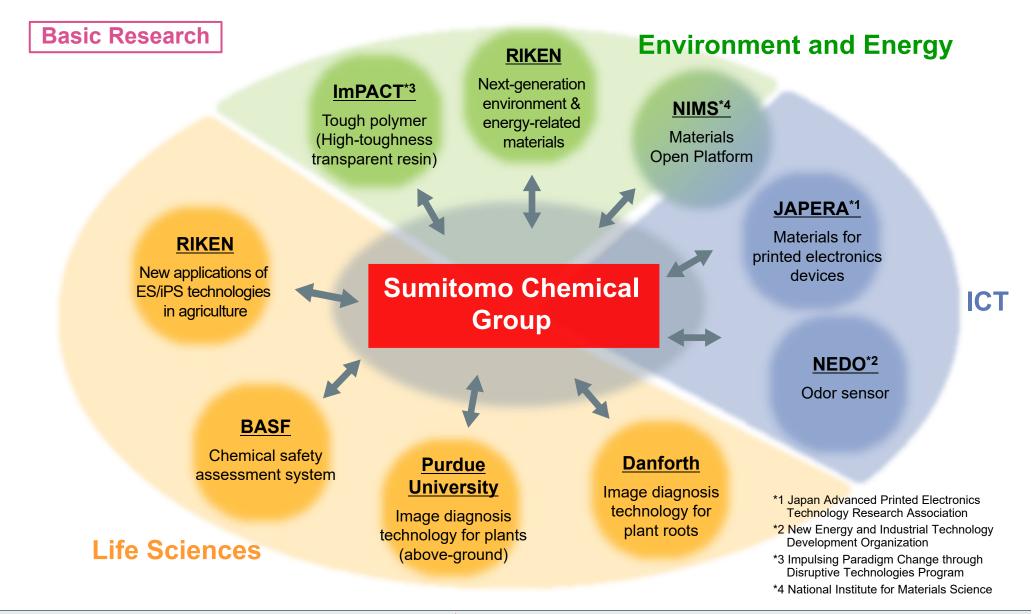
Collaboration with Start-up Companies



Collaboration with startup companies \rightarrow

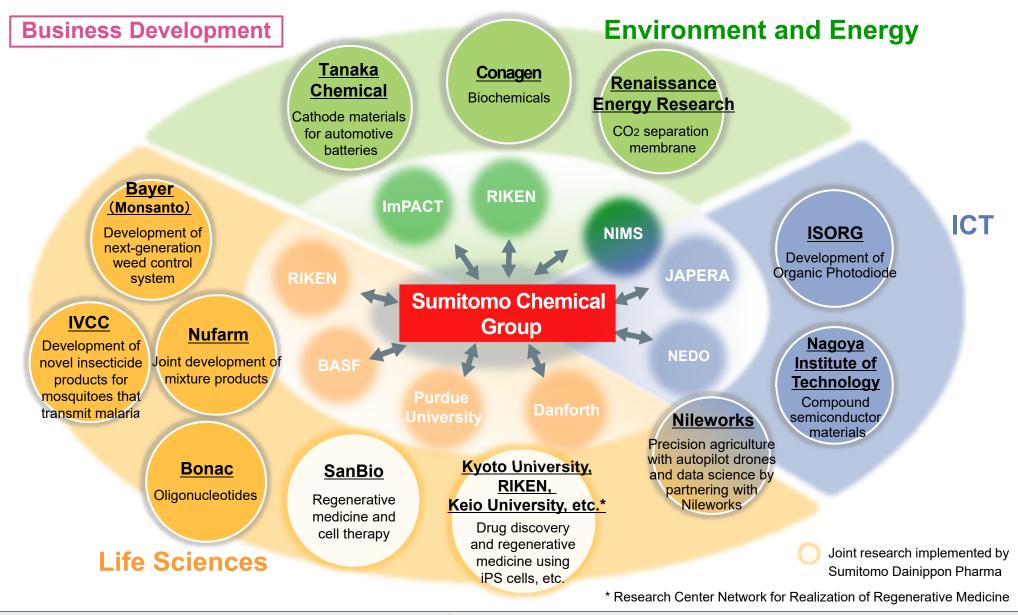
→ Accelerate the development of next-generation businesses

Promote Open Innovation



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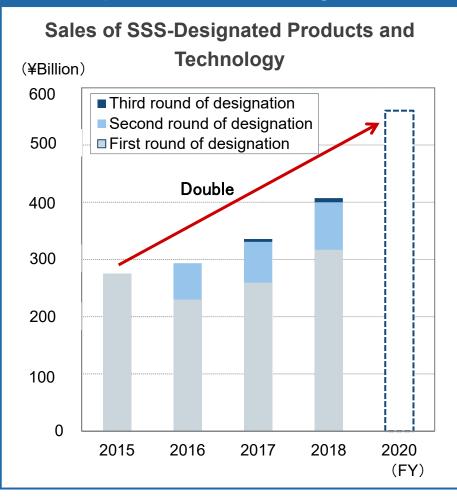
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Initiatives for Sustainability

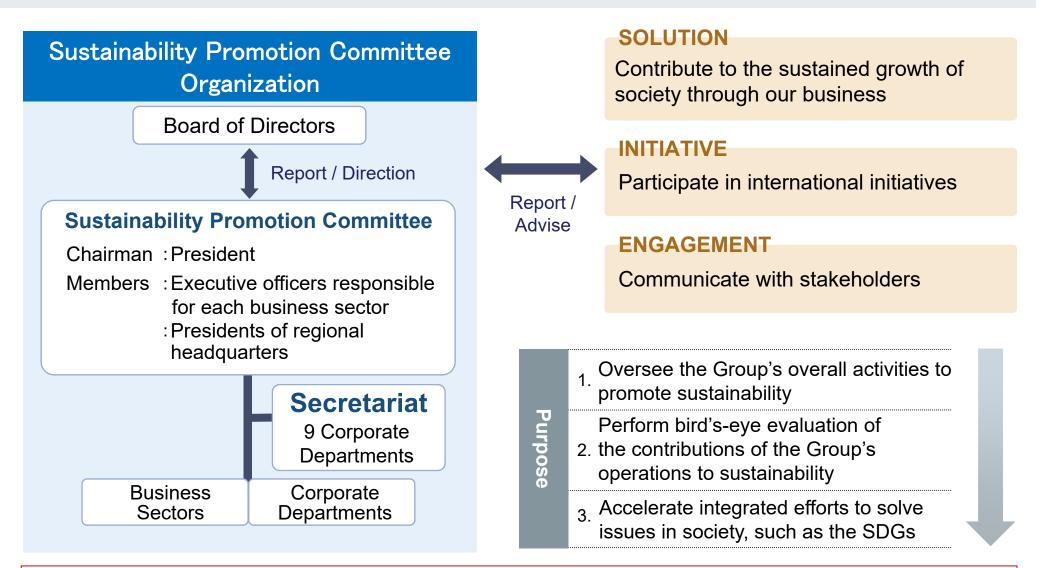


Sumika Sustainable Solutions

Designated 10 additional products and technologies



Held the Second Sustainability Promotion Committee



Oversee the Group's overall activities and take an integrated approach

Initiatives for Sustainability (External Evaluation)

Received the Deputy Chief's Award (by Minister for Foreign Affairs) in the Japan SDGs Awards

(Reasons for the award) Track record in initiatives to achieve the SDGs

Evaluated: Over 280 companies and organizations applied

□ Recipients: 4 companies and 7 organizations





Sumitomo Chemical's Initiatives covered by the White Paper on the Environment (2017 Ver.)

Sumitomo Chemical was the only private-sector company featured as a "company incorporating the SDGs into corporate strategy."

Recognized as a Lead Participant in the UN Global Compact

34 companies and organizations have been recognized for their contribution to the Global Compact, two of which are Japanese companies.



What Sumitomo Chemical Strives To Be



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