

Translation

Establishment of the Chugai Academy for Advanced Oncology (CHAAO) - Elevating Japan's cancer treatment to a global level -

October 1, 2009 (Tokyo) - Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. [Head Office: Chuo-ku Tokyo; President: Osamu Nagayama (hereafter, "Chugai")] announced today the establishment of the Chugai Academy for Advanced Oncology (CHAAO) aimed at contributing to the development of cancer treatment in Japan. The primary objective of this general incorporated association is to promote a deeper academic exchange between the world's top-level specialists in the field of cancer and healthcare professionals who are playing a leading role in cutting-edge research and treatment of cancer in Japan.

Medically advanced nations of the world, especially in Europe and the United States, are ahead of Japan in carrying out a variety of innovative cancer-related programs aimed at making the benefits of cancer treatment equally available. Among their initiatives include raising patients' awareness of cancer treatment, promoting collaboration among patient groups, and spreading multidisciplinary care and standardized treatment.

Now that Chugai has become the top pharmaceutical manufacturer in the field of oncology, we feel that, as a corporation contributing to enhancing cancer treatment in Japan, we have the responsibility to take the initiative in conducting supportive activities to bring our country's cancer treatment to a global level as soon as possible.

We feel that as a general incorporated association, this academy can contribute to the development of the cancer treatment infrastructure in Japan as well as to the future advancement of cancer treatment from a standpoint different from usual corporate activities. We are convinced that activities such as these will ultimately lead to the realization of cancer treatment which allows patients to confront cancer proactively and with hope.

[Overview of the general incorporated association: Chugai Academy for Advanced Oncology]

Date of establishment

October 1, 2009

Objectives of activities

- Draw innovative roadmaps of cancer research and treatment in Japan, and build a worldwide cancer treatment network.
- Promote the spread of translational research that includes molecular-targeted treatments and their biomarkers, as well as clinical research and standard treatment in order to realize innovative drug discoveries and global standard cancer treatment.
- Understand the current status and problems of Japan's healthcare system, set up reform goals with an eye to the future, and make proposals.

Management format

The entity will take the form of a general incorporated association so that business activities can be performed without bias.

Primary activities

- Holding of oncology forums including consensus meetings
- Cancer research aid programs, etc.

Name and organization of the association

Japanese name: Ippan Shadan Hojin Chugai Oncology Gakujutsu Shinko Kaigi

English name: Chugai Academy for Advanced Oncology (CHAAO)

President: Osamu Nagayama (President and CEO, Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.)

Directors: Dr. Makoto Ogawa (Honorary President, Aichi Cancer Center)
Dr. Mitsuaki Yoshida (Director, The Cancer Chemotherapy Center of JFCR)

Staff: Several individuals including the secretary-general