

Chugai and Novartis Pharma to Terminate Co-Marketing Agreement of Aromatase Inhibitor "Femara® Tablets 2.5 mg," a Treatment for Breast Cancer after Menopause

TOKYO, January 6, 2016 - Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (TOKYO: 4519) announced today that Chugai and Novartis Pharma K.K. have agreed to terminate the agreement regarding co-marketing of aromatase inhibitor "Femara® tablets 2.5 mg" (generic name: letrozole, hereafter Femara®), a treatment for breast cancer after menopause in Japan, as of January 31, 2016.

Novartis Pharma will be solely responsible for the distribution and commercialization of Femara[®] in Japan from February 1, 2016.

Chugai and Novartis Pharma will cooperate to accomplish a smooth transition. During the transition period, both companies will maintain the same level of product supply and adequate commercial activities to satisfy any medical needs.

About Femara® Tablets 2.5 mg

Generic Name: Letrozole

Brand Name: Femara® Tablets 2.5 mg

Approval Date: January 23, 2006

Launch Date: May 11, 2006

Indication: Breast cancer after menopause

Dosage and administration: The usual adult dosage is 2.5 mg administered orally once daily.

Drug Price: JPY 674.1/Tablet

Manufacturer & Distributor: Novartis Pharma K.K.

Distribution and commercialization: Novartis Pharma K.K. (on or after February 1, 2016)