Johnson & Johnson Innovation Announces Memorandum of Understanding with Kyoto University to Collaborate in Identifying and Accelerating the Development of Innovative Healthcare Solutions

TOKYO, JAPAN, 2 July 2018 – Johnson & Johnson Innovation, Division of Johnson & Johnson (China) Investment Ltd., announced today a non-binding memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Kyoto University’s Graduate School of Medicine to collaborate in identifying translational research opportunities and accelerating innovation in healthcare, with a focus on pharmaceuticals, medical devices, consumer and vision care.

Under the MoU, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, with support from the Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies in Japan, will collaborate with researchers at Kyoto University to identify and evaluate innovative early-stage science with the potential to address significant unmet needs of patients in Japan and around the world.

The agreement was recognized at a ceremony at Kyoto University in the presence of Shinji Uemoto, Dean, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University; Prof. Yutaka Teranishi, Kyoto University Medical Science and Business Liaison Organization; Dan Wang, Head, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, Asia Pacific; Tamotsu Hiiro, President, Johnson & Johnson K.K.; and Kenji Nonaka, Head of R&D, Janssen Pharmaceutical K.K.

“Johnson & Johnson Innovation recognizes Japan as an important innovation hotspot in Asia Pacific and remains committed to deepening our support for the country’s healthcare ecosystem,” said Dan Wang. “The MoU with Kyoto University will allow us to facilitate connections between academics, researchers, entrepreneurs, biotech companies and other innovators as part of a global network to accelerate the development and commercialization of innovation for patients in Japan and throughout the world for years to come.”

The MoU is the third academic-industry collaboration in Japan for Johnson & Johnson Innovation following agreements signed with Osaka University in September 2017 and the University of Tokyo Center of Innovation in February 2018.

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