

## Extension of Nara Research and Development Center

May 22, 2007, Osaka, Japan --- Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd announced today that the company will invest more in its laboratories at the Nara Research and Development Center (Ikoma City, Nara) with a goal to further enhance research and development activities.

Founded in April 1996 and extended in 2002, the Nara R&D Center is dedicated to the research and development of new drugs that will contribute to the Company's initiatives in ophthalmologic treatments.

Through the additional investment in R&D center, a Pharmaceutical development building and an Ancillary building will be constructed in order to integrate non-clinical functions and to secure space for R&D staff increases. This will enhance the chances to generate new drug candidates.

### Outline of the Nara Research and Development Center Extension Work

Address	8916-16, Takayama-cho, Ikoma City, Nara (Takayama District, Kansai Science City)
Site area	36,000 m <sup>2</sup>
Total floor area (Plan)	Pharmaceutical development building approx. 2,400 m <sup>2</sup> New ancillary building approx. 870 m <sup>2</sup>
Commencement	July 2007 (Plan)
Completion	June 2008 (Plan)
Capital investment	Approx. 1.7 billion yen

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