

Santen Completes Construction Work on Second Building of Shiga Plant

April 10, 2002 --- Today Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (president: Takakazu Morita) completed construction work on the second building of our Shiga Plant (located at Tagacho, Inukami-gun, Shiga Prefecture). Construction had commenced in July 2001.

Presently, our prescription ophthalmic solution manufacturing sites in Japan are the Noto Plant (Ishikawa Prefecture) and the Shiga Plant. Because we expect steady increase in demand for ethical ophthalmic solutions, this extension project will assure production capacity for stable product supply and enhance cost effectiveness by employing the latest technology and know-how. The second building is scheduled to go into operation in November 2002.

Outline of Shiga Plant (as of April 2002)

1. Location: 348-3, Oaza-Shide Aza-Suwa, Taga-cho, Inukami-gun, Shiga Prefecture
2. Lot area: 93,085 square meters
3. Total floor space: 18,824 square meters
4. Number of employees: 133 (including visiting or contract employees)

Outline of the Second Building

1. Total floor space: 5,938 square meters
2. Manufacturing Items: 3 items (Hyalein 0.1, Tarivid Ophthalmic Solution and Cravit Ophthalmic Solution)
3. Construction started: July 2001
4. Construction completed: April 2002
5. Scheduled start of operation: November 2002