

## **INCJ sells its shares in PRISM Pharma Co., Ltd.**

**Tokyo, December 16, 2016** – Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (“INCJ”) announced today that it has sold all its shares in PRISM Pharma Co., Ltd. (“PRISM Pharma”) to DBJ Capital Investment Business LLP (“DBJ Capital”), of which DBJ Capital Co., Ltd. is a general partner.

In May 2013, INCJ decided to invest in PRISM Pharma, a company established to develop new medicines that cure intractable diseases using unique peptide imitation technology. INCJ together with other investors provided growth capital to support the company’s R&D efforts.

Following the investment, INCJ supported PRISM Pharma with a hands-on approach by enhancing its internal management structure and expanding its organizational framework. Co-investor DBJ Capital later approached INCJ with regard to acquiring INCJ’s holding in PRISM Pharma, with the result that INCJ transferred all its shares to DBJ Capital.

### **Reference**

INCJ issued the following news release on May 27 2013:

*“INCJ to invest in PRISM Pharma Co., Ltd, Company aims to develop medicines using peptide imitation technology the first innovative platform in Japan.”*

<http://www.incj.co.jp/PDF/1418021685.01.pdf> (Japanese)

### **About PRISM Pharma Co., Ltd.**

Established	November 2006
Business outline	R&D for new medicines using low molecular weight compounds to control intracellular protein / protein interactions
Headquarters	Yokohama-City, Kanagawa
Representative	Hiroyuki Kouji
URL	<a href="http://www.prismbiolab.com/">http://www.prismbiolab.com/</a>

### **About DBJ Capital Investment Business Limited Liability Partnership**

Composition	October 2010
Business	Investment business

Main office Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo  
Unlimited liability partner DBJ Capital Co., Ltd.

**About DBJ Capital Co., Ltd.**

Established June 2005  
Business outline Investment fund  
Headquarters Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo  
Capital 99 million JPY  
Representative Fumiyuki Kashima  
URL <https://www.dbj-cap.jp/>

**About Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (INCJ)**

INCJ was established in July 2009 as a public-private investment company that provides financial, technological and management support for next-generation businesses. INCJ specifically supports those projects that combine technologies and varied expertise across industries and materialize open innovation. INCJ has the capacity to invest up to JPY 2 trillion (approx. US\$20 billion).

INCJ's management team is drawn from the private sector with diverse experience in investment, technologies and management. Through its Innovation Network Committee, INCJ assesses investment opportunities that contribute to industrial innovation in Japan in line with criteria set by the government.

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