

To members of the press,

Japan Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association
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The 6th “Asia Partnership Conference of Pharmaceutical Associations (APAC)”:

～ Accelerating Access To Innovative Medicines through advancing collaborative partnership in Asia ～

The 6th “Asia Partnership Conference of Pharmaceutical Associations (APAC)” was held on 5th and 6th April with the mission of “To Expedite the Launch of Innovative Medicines for the Peoples in Asia” under the theme of “Accelerating Access To Innovative Medicines through advancing collaborative partnership in Asia”.

Based on the agreements described below, JPMA is determined to overcome the various challenges through cooperation and close collaboration with the pharmaceutical associations, government bodies, regulatory authorities, and academia in Asia.

Access To Innovative Medicines

- Both Regulators and Industries will work together to create mutually acceptable Site Master File (SMF) template.
- PMDA will share draft SMF template to panelists and lead the discussion in cooperation with Pharmaceutical Inspection Co-operation Scheme (PIC/S) Vice-Chair.
- Regulators will give feedback to PMDA within 3 months, Industries will give feedback to PMDA within 6 months.

Drug Discovery Alliances

- Advance information sharing, networking and capacity building in drug discovery in Asia by making the best use of established APAC DA-EWG platforms
- Increase potential of cross-border open innovation in Asia by promoting collaboration initiative using natural compounds and addressing challenges occurred in the collaboration

Regulations and Approvals

- Continue to promote training for further dissemination of Good Registration Management (GRM) and to provide APAC RA-EWG support for better regulatory environment in Asia

Other matters

- The Seventh APAC will be held in Tokyo in 2018.

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