

Medium-Term Management Plan "H.U.2030" (FY2025-FY2029)

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Agenda

1. Review of the Previous Medium-term Management Plan and Long-term Vision

2. Positioning and Key Initiatives of Medium-term Management Plan "H.U.2030"

- Further acceleration of integrated management
- Transformation into a highly profitable structure \sim Strategy of each business \sim
- Optimize capital allocation and improve capital efficiency

3. Future Management Structure



Review of the Previous Medium-term Management Plan and Long-term Vision



Results of Previous Medium-term Plan

Key indicators and measures delayed due to the impact of COVID-19 and other factors

Results³ Target³ **Target** Results **Evaluation Evaluation** 6% **Net sales** ¥150 B 5.2% **Operating** ¥161.9 B CAGR¹ or more cash flow or more 18% **EBITDA** 9.6% ¥50 B Free cash margin ¥41.1 B or more flow² or more 10% OP 1.1% margin or more Interest-1.3x Financial discipline bearing debt 1.26x 12% (excl. leases) 2.0% or less ROE /EBITDA or more **Equity ratio** 40% 8% 49.0% (excl. real estate 0.8% **ROIC** or more finance) or more

1: 5 years (FY2019-FY2024)

2: Leases are not included in investment cash flows

Qualitative aspect

aspect

Quantitative

AkirunoCube: Despite delays, fully operational from April

• Fixed cost reductions not achieved, profitability improvement remains a challenge

Group integration strategy is progressing and tangible results starting to appear

CDMO: Set ready for growth with expanding partners and lineup













Review of Previous Medium-term Plan and Future Challenges

- While there were accomplishments, challenges became clear
 - ⇒The new medium-term plan's themes are "resolving challenges" and "harvesting the rewards of investment"

Review of Previous Medium-term Plan

- Delay of AkirunoCube fully operational
- Below-target fixed cost reductions and profitability improvement
- Regional lab restructuring (GP¹strategy revised)
- Increase advanced test items such as gene-related testing
- Lumipulse installations up in Japan, but base growth flat
- CDMO achieved high-level growth with expanding new partnerships
- Launched new AD²-related testing items in NEURO
- Implemented "Selection and Concentration" strategy and optimized cost structure
- Preparation of healthcare and ICT businesses launch
- Quickly built COVID-19 testing system (PCR testing and antigen test reagents) using group synergies

Challenges to be addressed

- Maximize AkirunoCube function and capability
- Selection and Concentration
 - > Focus on the hospital clients
 - > GP: Integrate 3 companies beyond SRL Strengthen selection and concentration via alliance
- Lab restructuring in final phase, including suspend New Kansai Lab project
- Profitability improvement in line with profit growth

Further focus on the core fields and accelerate growth

- CDMO: Deliver early sales contribution
- NEURO: Expand the lineup further
- Lumipulse Japan: Strengthen sales force and products appeal
- Market creation via medical DX, PHR and customer base
- Establish and grow businesses in PSD (pre-symptomatic disease) and healthcare
- Strengthen integrated management based on proven success, further leveraging group synergies



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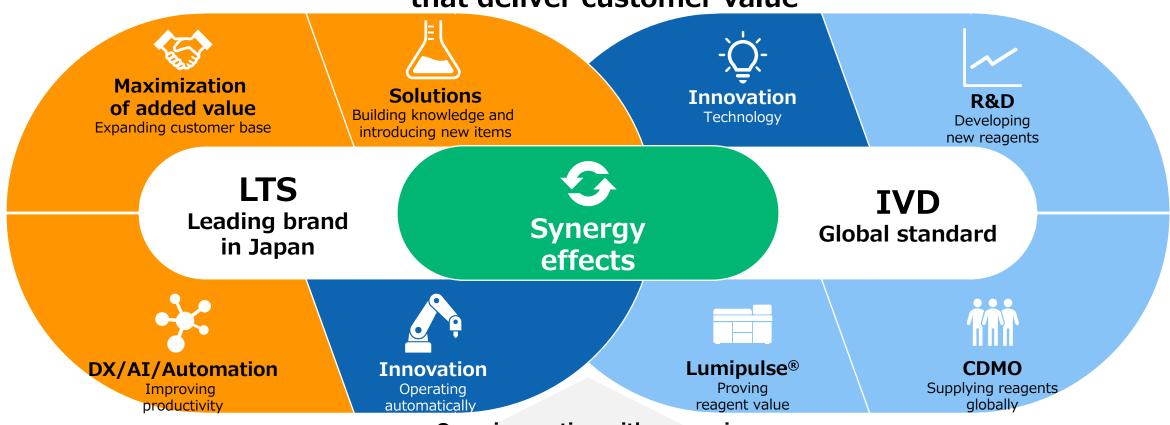
IVD

New Areas • Group Integration



Our Strengths

As one of the few groups integrating both LTS and IVD businesses, our greatest strength lies in creating unique synergies that deliver customer value



Open innovation with new axis

Corporate R&D and Innovation (H.U. Group Research Institute)



Sources of Value Creation for Solving Social Issues

- Our value creation comes from **shared** group resources, based on human capital, technological foundation and R&D/DX, enabling diverse products and services
- Aiming to address global social issues through our sources of value creation

Sources of Value Creation (shared group resource)

Customer base

R&D/DX

Research and innovation center co-locate with testing laboratories

Domestic and overseas offices Partnerships/Networking **AkirunoCube** IVD domestic and international locations

Other IVD players, pharmaceutical companies etc.

Human Capital/Technological Foundation

Optimizing shared resources to maximize value creation

> Addressing global social issues

Global Social Issues

- Aging population
- **Pandemics and other** health crises...

Social Issues in Japan

- Widening regional gaps in healthcare
- Increasing complexity in the medical field alongside advancing medical technology
- Chronic conditions of lifestyle-related diseases and disorders



Review of Vision

Mission

Create new value in healthcare and thereby contribute to human health and the future of medical care



Maximize the use of the Group's **Shared** management resources

Vision

Solve global social issues through "Collaboration", "Challenge", and "Innovation" leveraging H.U. Group assets and resources



Mission, Vision and Materiality

Mission

Vision (Our Vision for 2035)

Materiality

Resolution of social issues through our businesses

Creation of innovation

Human resource development that creates new value

Mitigation of environmental impacts

Establishment of a sustainable value chain

Strengthening corporate governance

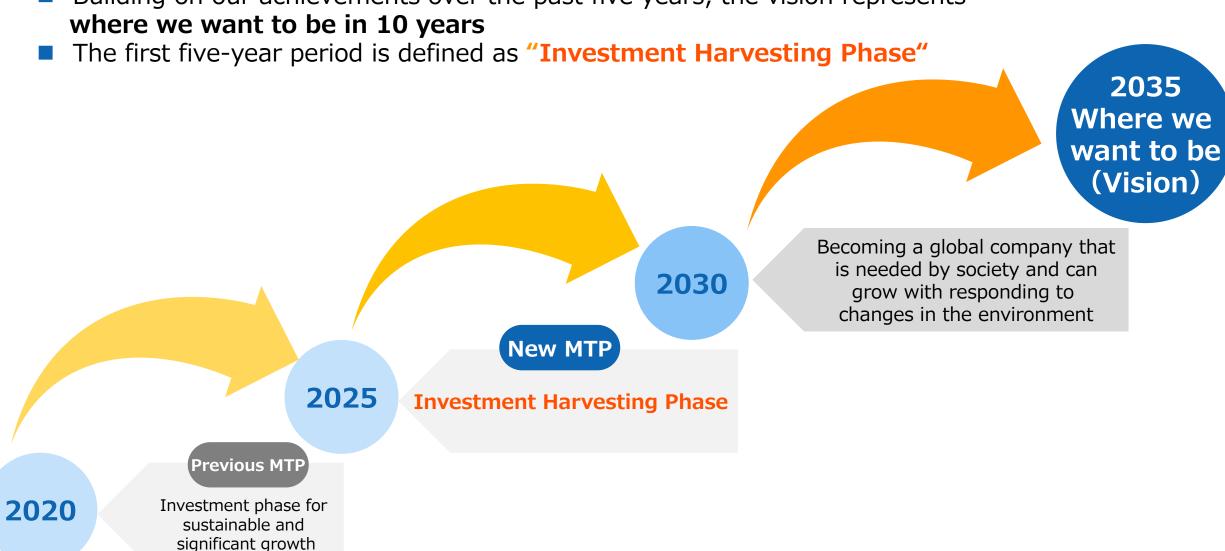


Positioning and Key Initiatives of Medium-term Management Plan "H.U.2030"



Positioning of the New Medium-term Management Plan

Building on our achievements over the past five years, the vision represents where we want to be in 10 years



Group-wide Key Initiatives in the New Medium-Term Plan

1 Further acceleration of integrated management

2 Transformation into a highly profitable structure

Optimization of capital allocation and improvement of capital efficiency



Overview of the Group-wide Key Initiatives

- Further acceleration of integrated management
- Market creation by LTS/IVD simultaneous introduction of new items (NEURO)
- In-house production and sales outside utilizing group's technology
- Maximizing value from the Group's customer asset

- 2 Transforming into a high-profit structure
- LTS Maximizing AkirunoCube's functionality to enhance productivity and profitability
- LTS Leveraging DX to drive business process reform
- IVD Growth and expansion of CDMO business
- IVD Development and expansion of new unique items (incl. NEURO, ultrasensitive)
- Expansion of high-value-added operations and off-site service

- Optimizing capital allocation and improve capital efficiency
- Disciplined capital allocation through a balanced portfolio strategy and ROIC accountability



Further Acceleration of Integrated Management



Further Acceleration of Integrated Management

Market creation by LTS/IVD simultaneous introduction of new items

- Expand the success experience during the pandemic (market creation via integration) to other areas (Neuro, etc.)
- Gain the benefits of first mover advantage

In-house production and sales outside utilizing group's technology

- Introduction of high-value added testing items directly linked to diagnosis and medical treatment
- Stable reagent supply (independent of overseas suppliers)
- Cost advantage of in-house reagent production
- Expansion of Group revenue through external sales

Maximizing value from the Group's customer base

- Further accelerating growth by leveraging the mutual customer base of LTS and IVD
- Maximizing the value provided to customers



Transformation into a Highly Profitable Structure ~Strategy of Each Business~



LTS: Getting Back on Track of Growth

Previous MTP

New MTP

Built a foundation for sustainable growth

Transition to an optimal business structure

Stepping into the next growth phase

- 1. Focused on AkirunoCube launch
- 2. Selection and concentration for future arowth

Business foundation restructuring

- Integrated and closed regional labs (12 labs)
- Withdraw of PingAn JV
- Divestiture of CRO business

- •One-time costs to end by June 2025
- Optimization of pricing
- Continuous improvement in fixed costs and marginal profit
 - •Business process improvement (from July 2025)

OPM in FY29

- · Clinical testing subsidiaries integration (October 2025)
- 10% or higher

- Shared logistics expansion
- Collection labor optimization

Current

Profitability of PSD and healthcare business

Operation process efficiency (from order to report)

- ·Maximizing AkirunoCube's performance Profitable growth in core business and advanced technology domains
- Trends of D&A

FY25:¥ 13 B

FY27:¥ 8.5 B

FY29:¥ 7 B

FY2020

FY2025

FY2027

FY2029



overview

Profitability structure

LTS: Growth Strategy

- Maximizing AkirunoCube's performance
- Differentiation and profitability improvement through expansion of unique lineup

FY2029 targets

Net sales CAGR 1 : 3% or more

OP margin : 10% or more

SG&A : **-9**pt ²

Depreciation : -37pt ²

FY2025 FY2026 FY2027 FY2028 FY2029

Operational process improvement and quality improvement in esoteric tests

Improving quality and productivity by leveraging DX and unique effort³ in individual testing

(gene, pathology, chromosome, germ, manual testing, etc.)

Maximizing
AkirunoCube's
performance

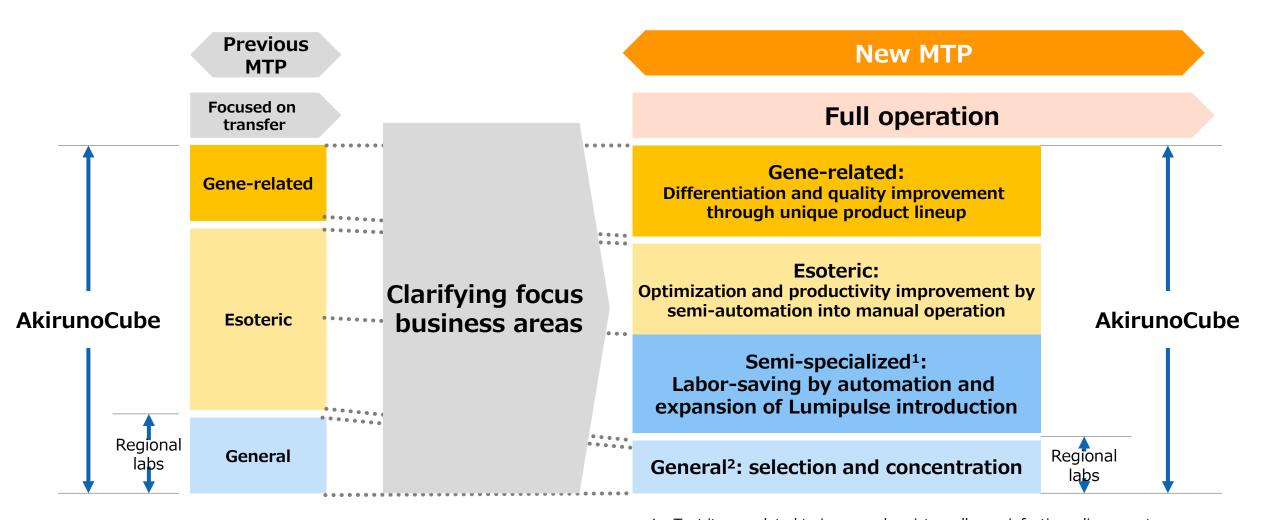
Streamlining laboratory operations centered around AkirunoCube (General testing labs will be under selection and concentration as well as alliance)

Expanding in-house developed nucleic acid extraction reagent (primarily infectious diseases)

Development and launch of new items in line with changing treatment strategies (4 items underway)

LTS: AkirunoCube Overview

Clarifying focus business areas



- 1. Test items related to immunochemistry, allergy, infectious disease, etc.
- 2. Test items related to urine/feces, hematology, biochemistry



LTS: Evolution of AkirunoCube

Achievements of previous MTP

Streamlining of reception¹

- Productivity improved by 40%
- Labor-saving optimization in pre-processing by ▲27%





Outlook of new MTP

Optimize processes and improve efficiency leveraging testing order data

Order data utilization in automated conveyor line

→Leveraging built know-how to implement optimal preprocessing/ categorizing

Quality improvement through data-driven error visualization

→Reducing and preventing errors while minimizing downtime

Extend operational uptime (max 24 hours)

Processing capability

250KID or more
(2 times of FY24)

1. FY2023 result (compared to FY2019)



LTS: Evolution of AkirunoCube

Achievements of previous MTP

Streamlined complex manual process

■ Introduced pre-testing processing system to esoteric testing area (Digital transformation)





Expanded automated preprocessing in genetic pathology area

Automatized RNA extraction process(adoption rate of 98%)

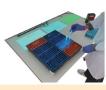




Outlook of new MTP

Further streamlining of reception process

→Digital transformation of manual process Introduction of new technologies including projection mapping



Semi-automation of EIA¹ testing Line

→Optimization of one-third manual implementation items (Equipment linkage from preprocessing to measurement processes)

Automation of nucleic acid extraction process

→Meeting the rapidly growing demand for genetic testing

Fully use of automation and AI

→ Enhancing detection sensitivity and quality

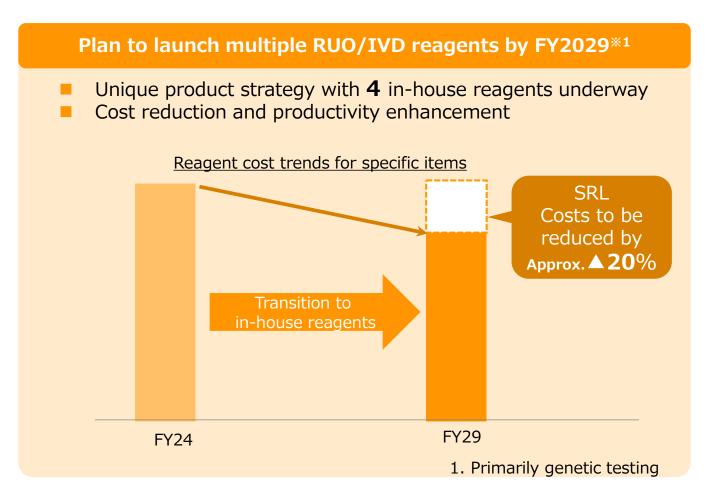




LTS: Differentiation through Unique Items

- Development of high value-added items with direct link to diagnosis and treatment
- Launch unique items using group's unique technology

Proved success of group integration Introduction of nucleic acid extraction reagent Introduc Develop Produc Procure ment Testing Introduction (from July 2024) HJ H.U. Cells Production H.U. Group Research Institute Development of nucleic acid extraction reagent **TUJIREBIO** Core material supply





IVD: Market Environment

Horizontal specialization



- Global IVD players aim at reagent sales growth in immunoassay field
- With limited resources,
 IVD players leverage
 trusted partners for
 rapid development

Changing markets in each country

- Government policy incentivizing domestic players
- Changes and tightening of regulations

New testing areas

- Increasing need for AD* related testing by multiple drugs approvals
- Increasing need for drugs and testing in NEURO field beyond AD









CDMO

Expand business with "Global Partners"

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Expand business with "Regional Partners"

Global expansion through "LUMIPULSE + CDMO" Leveraging NEURO Assets



IVD: Global Strategy

 Contribute to global society and grow our market share with our unique contents developed in R&D, through combining own product and CDMO business model

"GLOBAL EXPANSION" by partnerships

- Expand business throughCDMO
- Manufacturing capability in JPN/US/EU
- High-quality standards

"PROVE VALUE" ON OWN PLATFORM

Introduce new Lumipulse products etc. to SRL, global customers and KOL

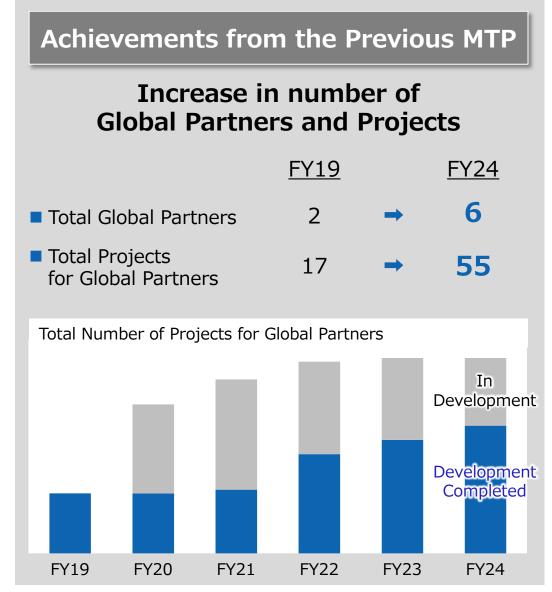


"INNOVATION" ONLY ONE / NO.1

- Develop unique products, materials, and core-technologies
- R&D teams in JPN/US/EU
- Invest 12% of revenue in R&D every year



IVD CDMO: Achievements and Prospects





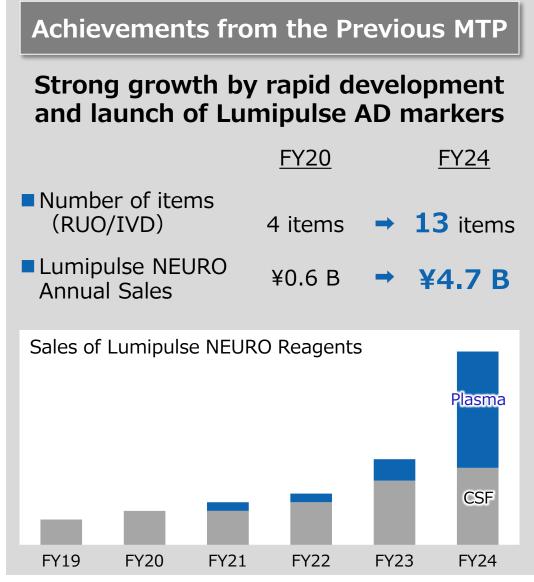
Stable supply for existing partners and regional expansion with new partners
E.g. New regional partnership in India (Agappe)

- "Make in India" products: Accelerate market development in India
 - Local manufacturing started (approx. 40 items registered)
- Leverage partner's brand, expansion into markets <u>beyond India</u>
 - South Asia, Southeast Asia, Middle East, Africa





IVD NEURO: Achievements and Prospects



Prospects for the next MTP

Continue to develop AD market and development of beyond AD markers

- **AD Field:** Accelerate LUMIPULSE sales in US/EU with IVD registered products
 - Entering China and India through CDMO
- **Beyond AD:** Rapid development and launch of Lumipulse reagents (<u>5</u> markers / year)
 - Leverage ADx's assets and capabilities





IVD NEURO: Achievements and Prospects

- Accumulated Evidence: Published researches show the value of our products
 - **→** Aiming at the "Global de facto standard"

A study using our product was published in Nature Medicine

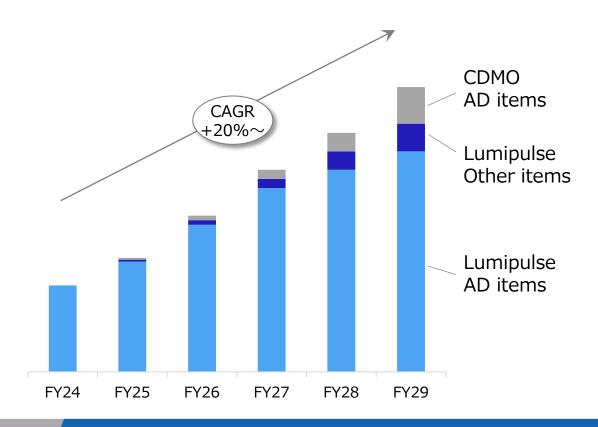
Plasma phospho-tau217 for Alzheimer's disease diagnosis in primary and secondary care using a fully automated platform

S. Palmqvist et al., Nature Medicine. Published online: 09 April 2025

Abstract

Global implementation of blood tests for Alzheimer's disease (AD) would be facilitated by easily scalable, cost-effective and accurate tests. In the present study, we evaluated plasma phospho-tau217 (p-tau217) using predefined biomarker cutoffs. The study included 1,767 participants with cognitive symptoms from 4 independent secondary care cohorts in Malmö (Sweden, n = 337), Gothenburg (Sweden, n = 165), Barcelona (Spain, n = 487) and Brescia (Italy, n = 230), and a primary care cohort in Sweden (n = 548). Plasma p-tau217 was primarily measured using the fully automated, commercially available, Lumipulse immunoassay. The primary outcome was AD pathology defined as abnormal cerebrospinal fluid A β 42:p-tau181. Plasma p-tau217 detected AD pathology with areas under the receiver operating characteristic curves of 0.93–0.96. In secondary care, the accuracies were 89–91%, the positive predictive values 89–95% and the negative predictive values 77–90%.

NEURO Growth Story (Lumipulse + CDMO)



^{*} Open Access; https://www.nature.com/articles/s41591-025-03622-w



IVD Ultra Sensitive Detection: Achievements and Prospects

Achievements from the Previous MTP

Fluxus completed the RUO platform, and obtained external funding

- Developed RUO platform and 6 reagents
- Grant awarded to Fluxus (Approx. ¥0.68 B¹)
 - The Global Health Innovative Technology (GHIT Fund)





Prospects for the new MTP

Continue to drive reagent development and aim to win new CDMO partners

- Develop items with unmet needs for which Ultra Sensitive Detection technology could have high significance
 - TB-LAM² (Tuberculosis)
 - C. difficile (Clostridium difficile infection)
 - HBV/HCV (Hepatitis B and C virus)
- Collaboration with top universities in EU/US
 - Develop and evaluate reagents for infectious diseases field
- Ongoing discussions with global IVD partners on CDMO partnerships

^{1.} Press release April 23, 2025: Grant award from GHIT Fund for development of an ultrasensitive urine test for tuberculosis

IVD: Highly Profitable Business Model

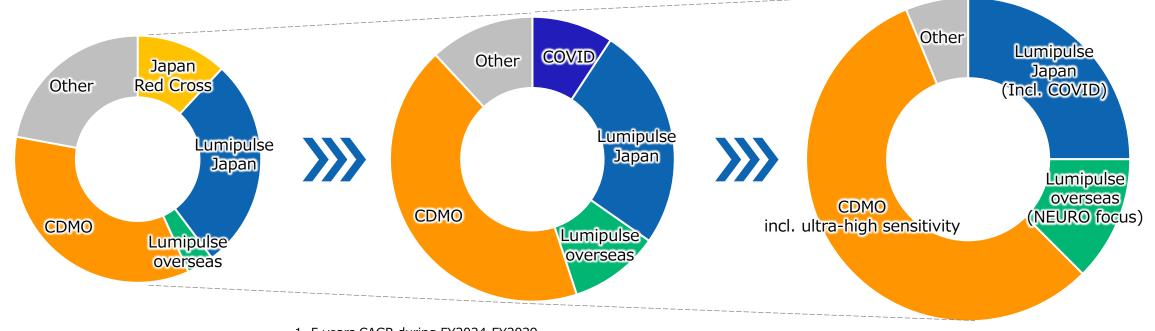
- Realize CAGR 6%+ revenue growth, leveraging global business growth (CDMO/NEURO)
- Target OPM of 25%+ by FY2029, investing 12%+ of revenue in R&D continually

Japan:Overseas Ratio (incl. COVID)

50 : 50

40:60

30:70

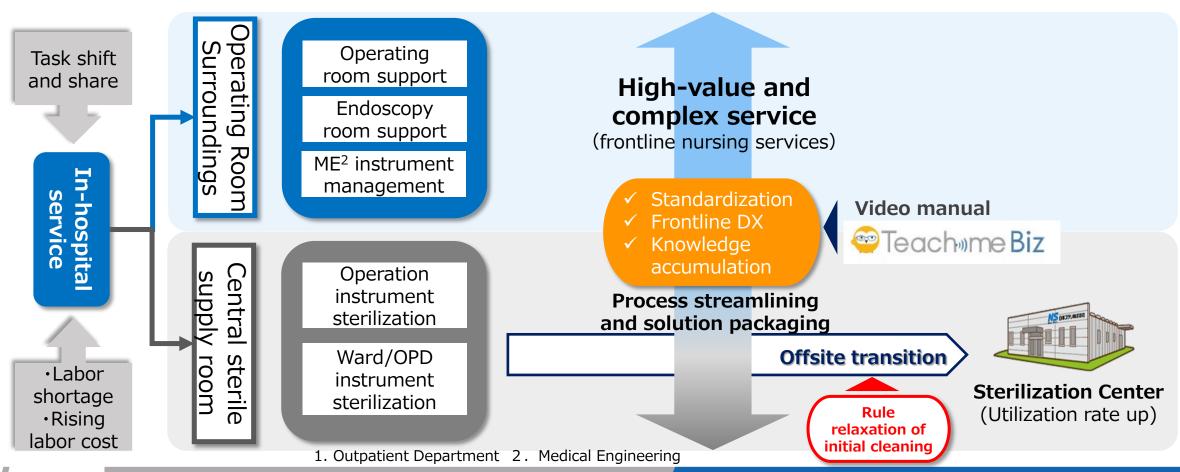




HS: Sterilization/Operation-related business

We will continue to drive growth with a focus on profitability

- Refocusing in-hospital operations on complex, high-value perioperative services
- Shifting routine sterilization (Ward/OPD¹) to centralized off-site facility for efficiency
- Enhancing operation-related service



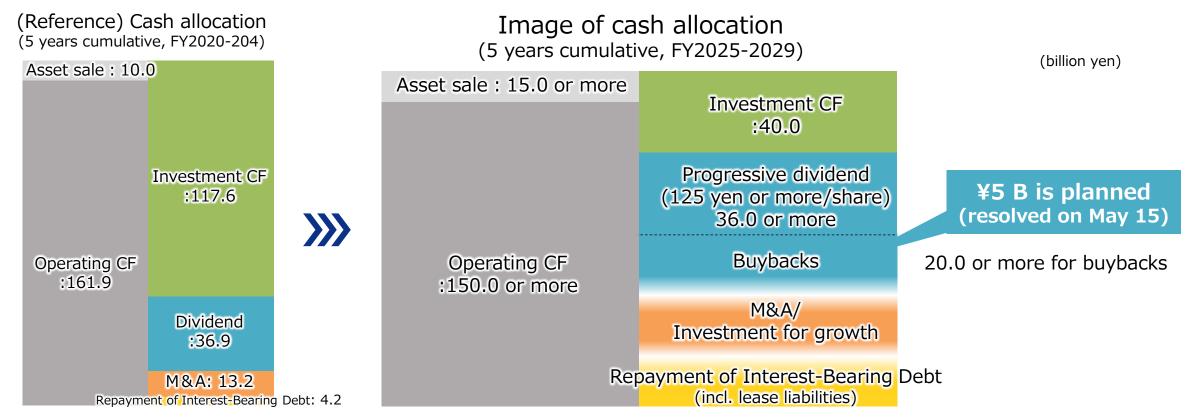


Optimize Capital Allocation and Improve Capital Efficiency



Optimizing Capital Allocation

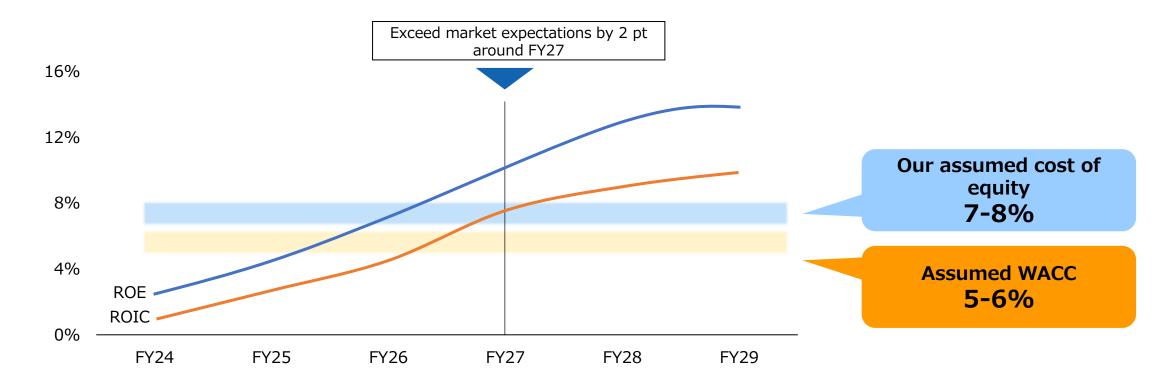
- The dividend will be stable and progressive on an ongoing basis Further, the Group will aim for a continuous 6% DOE level
- Share repurchases will be positioned as a "strategic investment in the Group" and implemented actively and flexibly
 - ⇒With a share buyback of over ¥20 B, the shareholder return will be over ¥56 B including dividends
- For M&A, utilizing additional debt capacity is also possible





Improving Capital Efficiency

- Implementing disciplined capital allocation with a balanced portfolio and ROIC accountability
- Aim to exceed the market's ROE/ROIC expectations as soon as possible
 - Disciplined segment management with ROIC accountability
 - Manage each investment project by considering hurdle rates of 8-24%, adjusted for business and country risk





Shareholder Return Policy

- The policy aims for a Dividend on Equity (DOE) ratio of 6% and maintaining progressive dividends
- We view share repurchases as "strategic investments in the Group", to be implemented actively and flexibly

Previous Policy

We aim to achieve a 6%-level DOE ratio as our primary KPI for dividends, ensuring stable and continuous dividend payments from the profits and funds generated by each business. This will be done while considering cash flow, maintaining a strong financial base over medium- to long-term and other relevant factors.

Additionally, funds from retained earnings will be prioritized for investments in medium to long-term growth.

Future Policy

We aim to achieve a consolidated DOE ratio of 6% as our primary KPI for dividends, ensuring stable and progressive dividends payments from the profits and funds generated by each business. This will be done while considering cash flow, maintaining a strong financial base over the medium to long-term, and other relevant factors.

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Major Medium-term Financial Target

	FY2024		FY2025 Target		FY2029 Target	
EBITDA/Margin		23.4	9.6%	30.5	12.1%	16% or more
	LTS	7.7	5.0%	14.5	9.1%	13% or more
	IVD	16.7	27.6%	17.0	28.3%	30% or more
	HS	3.5	11.8%	3.5	10.9%	10% or more
OP/	OP/OPM		1.1%	8.0	3.2%	11% or more
	LTS	-4.6	-3.0%	0.5	0.3%	10% or more
	IVD	11.3	18.8%	11.5	19.2%	25% or more
	HS	1.8	6.0%	1.8	5.6%	8% or more
RO	ROIC ¹		0.8%		5%	10% or more
	LTS	-5.0%		0.6%		17% or more
	IVD	9.	9.6%		.6%	17% or more
	HS	14.3%		14.2%		25% or more

^{1.} Excluding lease finance standard impact



(Billion yen)

Major Medium-term Financial Target and Financial Discipline

	FY2024	FY2025 Target	FY2029 Target
ROE	2.0%	4.1%	13% or more
Operating CF	¥161.9 B ¹	¥22 B	¥150 B or more ²

Financial Discipline				
Net interest-bearing debt to EBITDA (excl. lease obligations)	1.3x or less			
Equity ratio	40% or more			



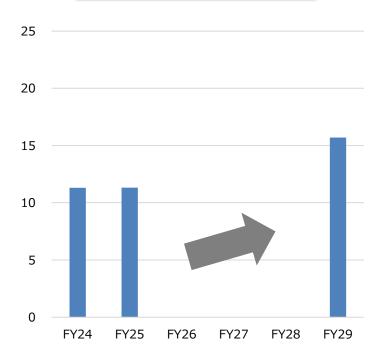
^{1. 5} years cumulative (FY2020-FY2024)

^{2. 5} years cumulative (FY2025-FY2029)

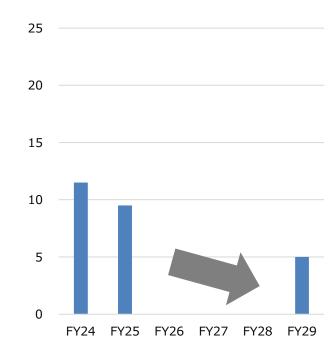
R&D, CAPEX and D&A Costs

(billion yen)

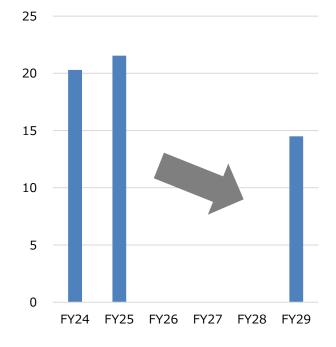
Research and Development



Capital Expenditure



Depreciation and Amortization



- Ongoing development of Lumipulse reagents including NEURO
- IVD: 12% of sales expected to be allocated to R&D
- Capital expenditure peaked, shifting focus to maintenance investments (five-year cumulative total at ¥40 B level)
- Depreciation expenses expected to peak in FY25, followed by a gradual decline
- Expect sharp decline from FY27 (decrease by ¥5 B compared to FY25)



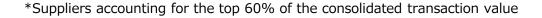
Materiality and Non-financial Targets 1

Materiality	Components	Non-financial Targets (Targets for FY2029)		
	 LTS business IVD business HS business Group synergy Resilience Quality control DX Brand management Customer relations 	 Number of newly introduced dementia disease-related test items: Over 8 items Number of cancer gene (cancer genomic profiling) tests directly linked to treatment: 20% increase (compared to FY2024) 		
Resolution of social issues through our businesses		 Number of countries where NEURO-related reagents have been launched: 50 countries (Total of in-house and CDMO products) Number of infectious disease items developed for emerging countries: 12 items (Total of in-house and CDMO products) 		
		 Number of medical institutions receiving the operating room support service: 205 institutions Number of users of the Group's home business: 6,000 users 		
Creation of innovation	R&DInnovationIntellectual property	 Number of patent applications: 40 applications/year Number of academic publications and presentations: 140 items/year R&D expenses to sales ratio Consolidated: Maintained at the 5% level IVD: Maintained at the 12% level 		



Materiality and Non-financial Targets 2

Materiality	Components	Non-financial Targets (Targets for FY2029)
Human resource development that creates new value	 Human resource development Diversity Ideal workplaces Health improvement Human rights 	 Positive response rate in the Engagement Survey Sympathy for the corporate philosophy: 80% Growth opportunity: 60% Percentage of men taking extended leave or leave for childcare: 100%
Mitigation of environmental impacts	Climate changeRecycling-oriented societyBiodiversity	 Reduction of total CO2 emissions: 33.6% (compared to FY2021) Reduction of water consumption per unit at H.U. Bioness Complex: 5% (compared to FY2024)
Establishment of a sustainable value chain	Sustainable procurement	 Formulation of a policy regarding sustainable procurement and agreement with key suppliers* on the policy UNGC Self-Assessment Tool (SAQ) S class: All key suppliers A class or higher: 90% of suppliers subject to the SAQ
Strengthening corporate governance	 Corporate governance Information security Anti- corruption/Compliance Risk management 	Diversity ratio on the board of directors (such as women and foreign nationals): 30%





Future Management Structure



Future Management Structure

The Board of Directors has decided on the following regarding the future management structure (succession plan)

1. Candidates for the next CEO

- Four members of the Executive Officer, Kitamura, Ishikawa, Matsumoto, and Omi, have been selected by the Nominating Committee
- Ishikawa and Matsumoto, who are responsible for core businesses, are going to be promoted to Managing Executive Officers in June 2025

2. Selection timing for the next CEO

- The Nominating Committee will propose the next CEO to BOD by December 2025
- The next CEO will be determined by the BOD in January 2026 and announced immediately. The new CEO is scheduled to take office no later than April 2026

3. Future process

- Launch of Management Innovation Project in June 2025 Formulate management innovation measures centered on the above four candidates
- Nominating Committee assess the process of compiling management innovation measures
- Reflect the results of compiling management innovation measures in the new medium-term management plan and deepen them



Appendix

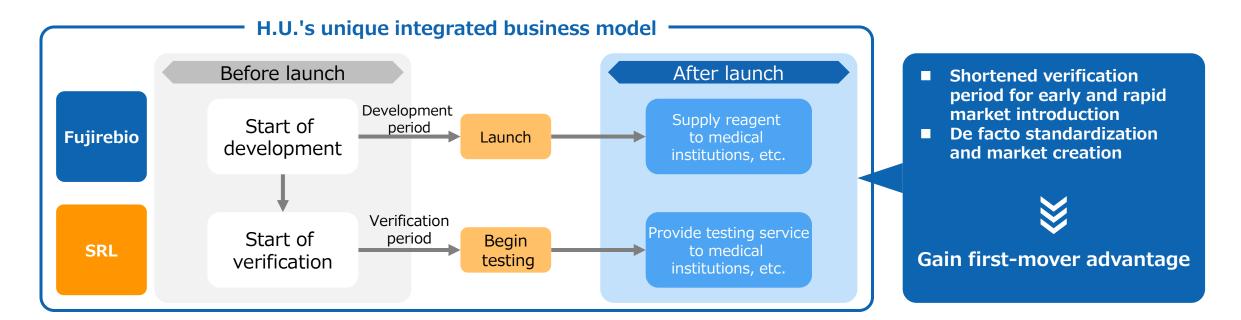


Further Acceleration of Integrated Management

Market creation by LTS/IVD simultaneous introduction of new items

Expand the success experience during the pandemic (market creation via integration) to other areas (Neuro, etc.)

- As Fujirebio begins development, SRL starts item verification in parallel
 - SRL can start verification at an early stage
- When Fujirebio launches the items, SRL introduces them to the market and starts providing testing service at the same time
 - Enables sales expansion and market penetration ahead of competitors, positioning as a market creation leader
 - Gain first-mover advantage by becoming the industry's de facto standard



Further Acceleration of Integrated Management

In-house production and sales outside utilizing group's technology

- IVD develops reagents (in-house production) meeting the demand of SRL (largest reagent consumption in Japan)
 - Reduces development risk and improves quality/usability
- Benefits of SRL's adoption of in-house reagents:
 - Lowering costs of SRL reagent purchase
 - Expanding Lumipulse's market share by leveraging reagent reliability proven by SRL adoption
- Ensuring stable supply chain management with Japan-made reagent
- Expanding sales outside the Group

Group-owned technological assets **SRL** Lumipulse **Lumipulse items Existing core** Expanding Lumipulse's market share Pioneering introduction technology by SRL's adoption (reliability) (immunoassay field) of unique items **Broadening core** Reagent sales **Tests using** technology outside the group Overwhelming market share (Preprocessing and Unique De facto standardization and Genetic testing, etc.) Esoteric tests including genetic tests reagents Market share expansion nucleic acid extraction and NAT1



Expanding Core Technologies and Advancing In-house Production

[Current issues]

- Supply: SRL faces multiple supply chain risks for key high-share reagents, including shortages from unstable manufacturer production
- **Design**: Current reagent designs are incompatible in multiple cases with large-scale testing center
- **Production**: Demand for domestic production of vital reagents anticipating next pandemic

■ IVD expansion: NAT¹ first Product (genetic testing) is under application Structuring and advancing the development pipeline

(FY26-FY29: Roadmap of multiple product application and launch)

RUO development: First product launched

(in-house developed nucleic acid extraction reagent /MagreNA®)

Accelerating reagent development and introduction for SRL's specific

demand

(FY26-FY29: Expanding reagent lineup and start sales outside the group)



Differentiation through Unique Item Development and Launch

 $MagreNA^{(\!R\!)}$: Launch of <u>100% Japan-made</u> nucleic acid extraction reagent

utilizing group's unique technology

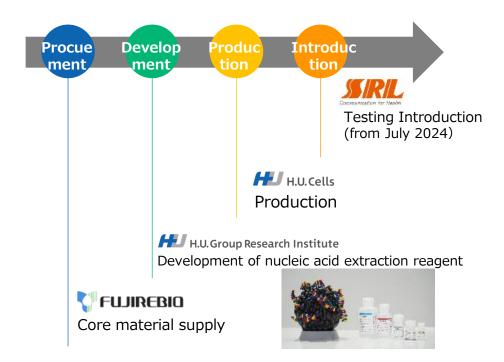
Launch of ONLY ONE 100% Japan-made NA extraction reagent for future pandemic response

(Magnetic beads) (Fuji**re**bio) (Nucleic Acids)





Introduction of nucleic acid extraction reagent





Establishing a PSD/healthcare Business: Strategies and Potential

- Monetization of PSD/healthcare business and expansion of users
- Cross-utilizing customer assets across all business units
- Creating new value by leveraging triple-business synergies

