

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

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- 2. Positioning and Key Initiatives of Medium-term Management Plan "H.U.2030"
 - Further acceleration of integrated management
 - Transformation into a highly profitable structure $\sim \rm Strategy$ of each business \sim
 - Optimizing capital allocation and improving capital efficiency

3. Future Management Structure

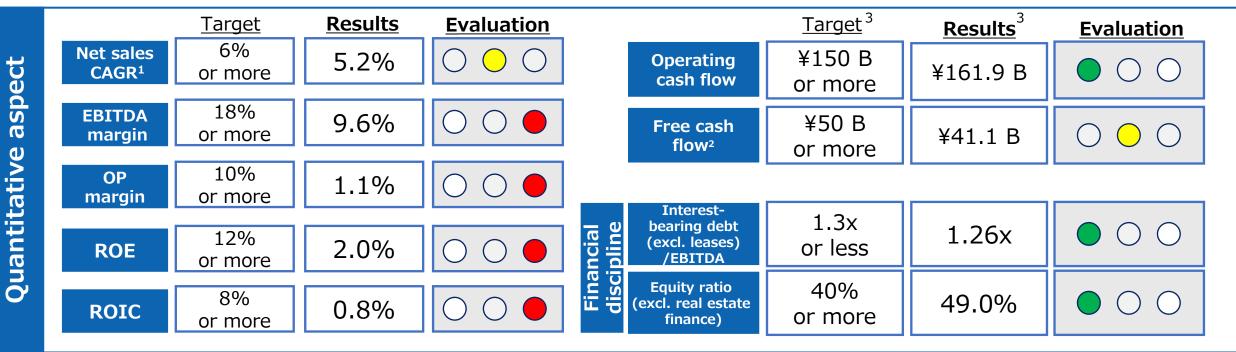


Review of the Previous Medium-term Management Plan and Long-term Vision



Results of Previous Medium-term Plan

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



1: 5 years (FY2019-FY2024) 2: Leases are not included in investment cash flows 3: 5 year cumulative

AkirunoCube: Despite delays, fully operational from April

Qualitative

aspect

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- 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

ITS

IVD

New

Areas

Group

Integration

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 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

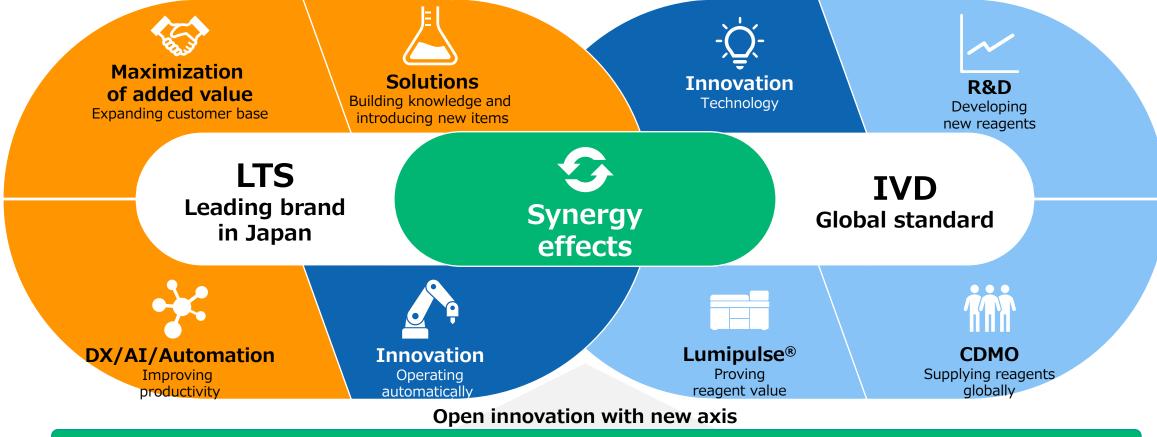
Further focus on the core fields and accelerate growth

- 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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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

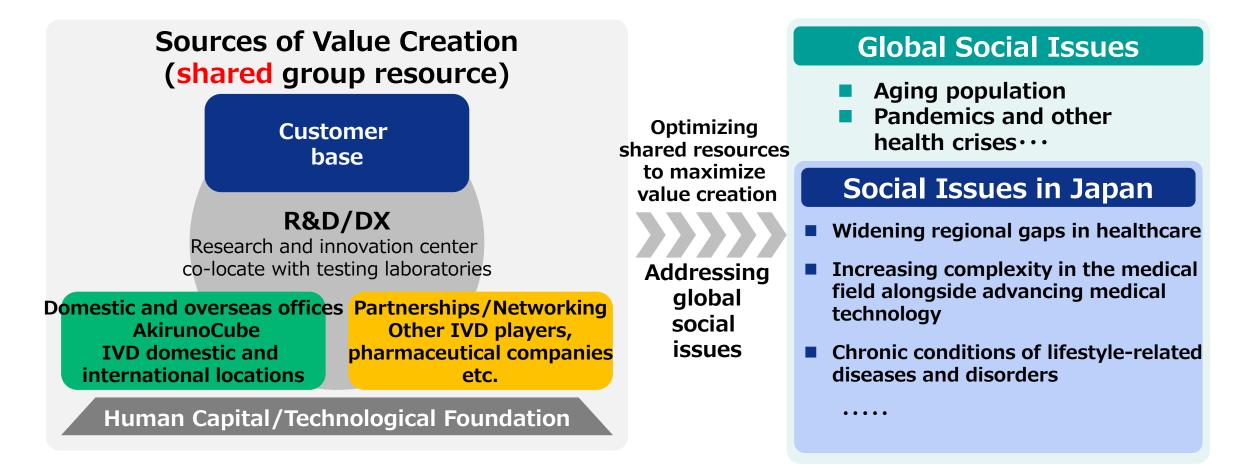


Corporate R&D and Innovation (H.U. Group Research Institute)



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





Review of Vision

Mission

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

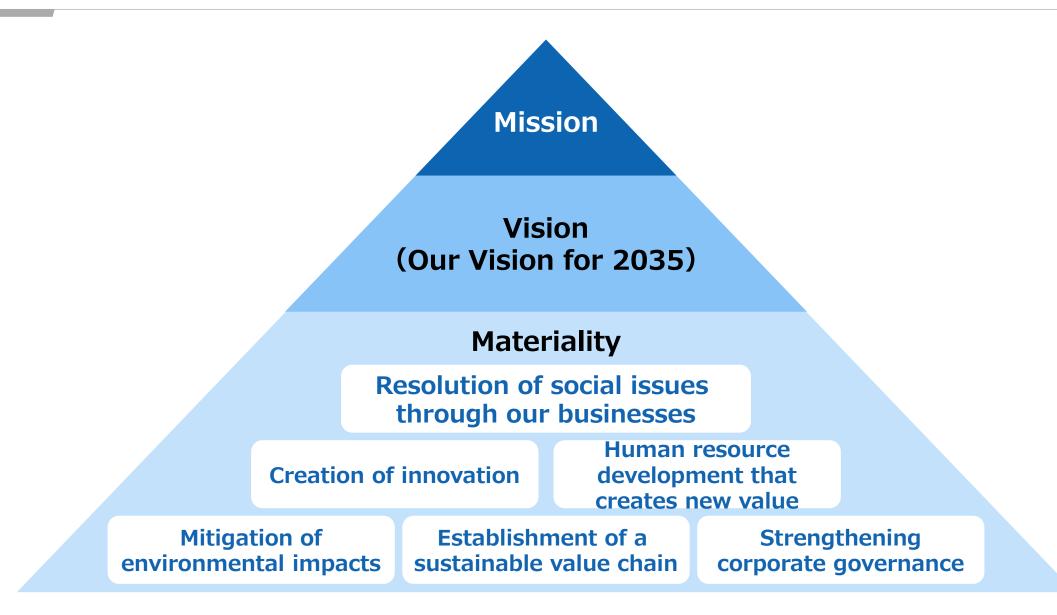


Vision

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



Mission, Vision and Materiality



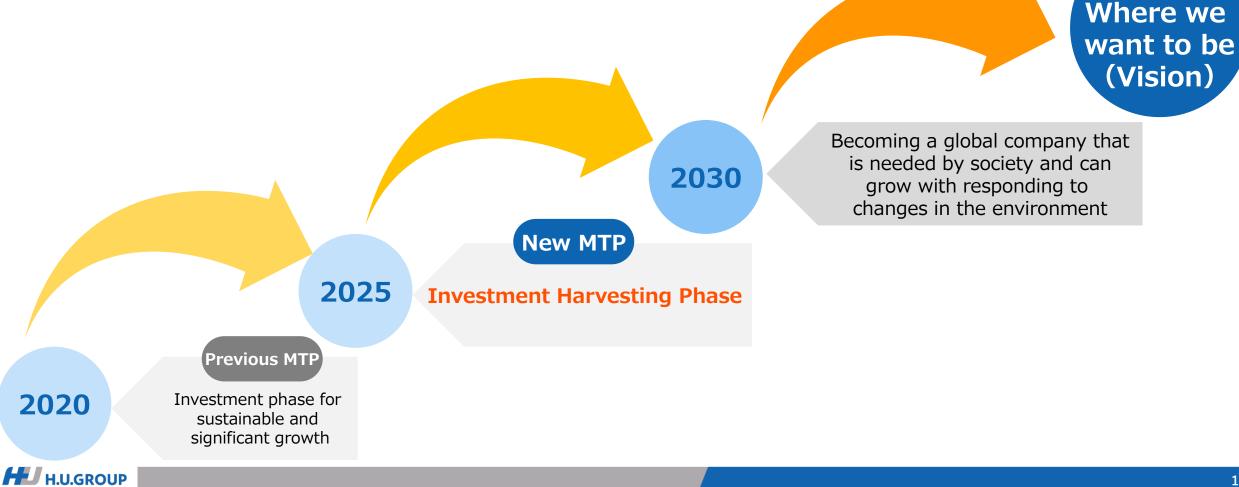


Positioning and Key Initiatives of Medium-term Management Plan "H.U.2030"



Positioning of the New Medium-term Management Plan





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

Further acceleration of integrated management

2 Transformation into a highly profitable structure

3 Optimizing capital allocation and improving 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

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

Optimizing capital allocation and improving capital efficiency

Disciplined capital allocation through a balanced portfolio strategy and ROIC accountability



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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

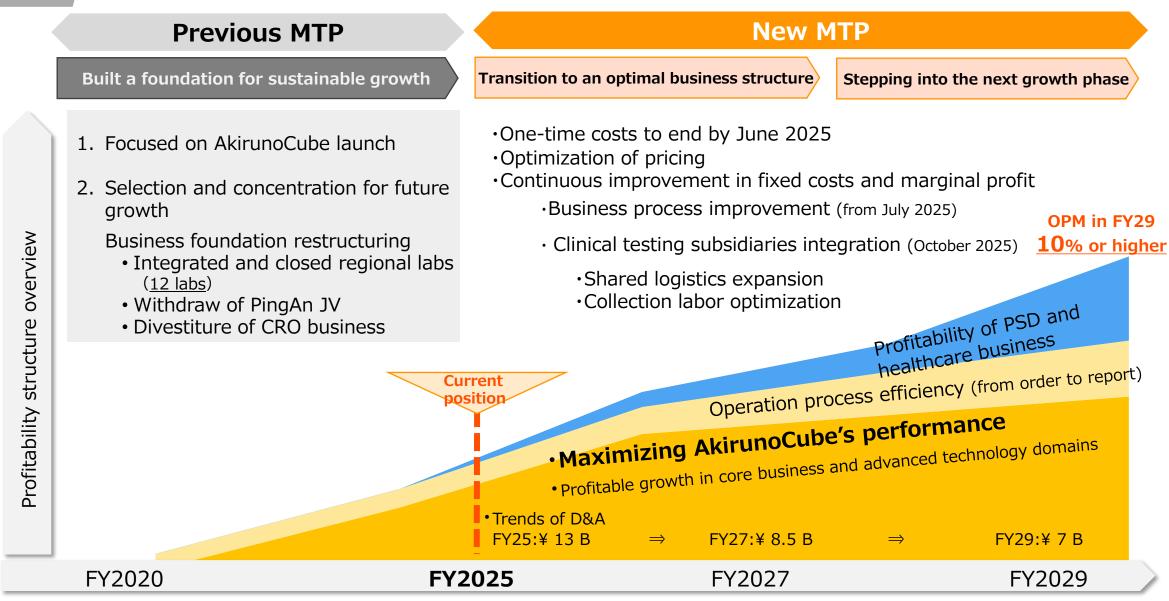
Maximizing value from the Group's customer base

- 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





LTS: Growth Strategy

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

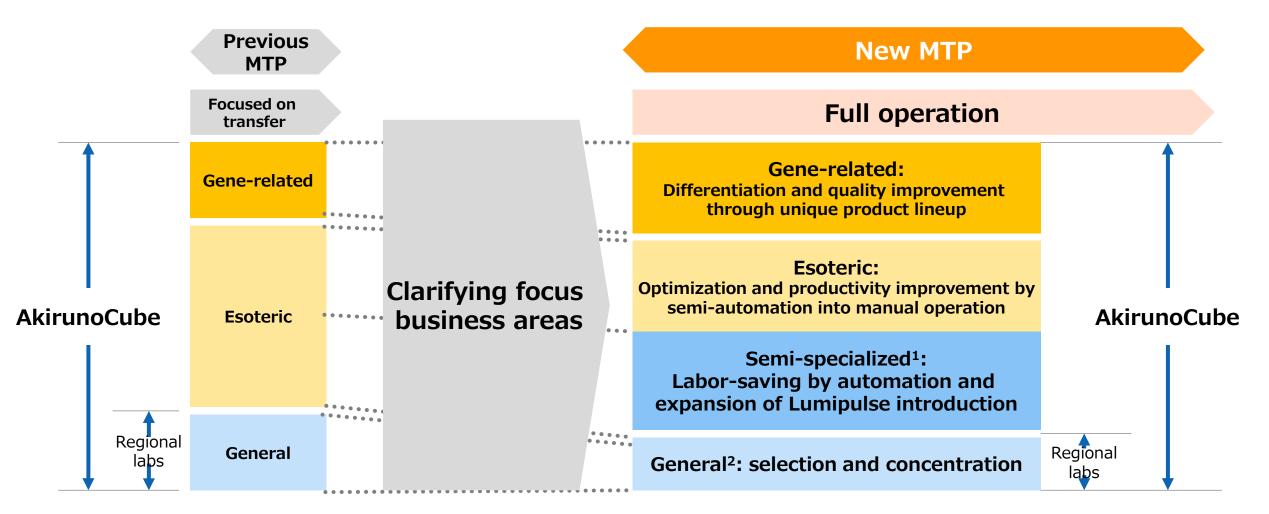


	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029		
	improvement in e Improving quality ar in individual testing	ess improvement and esoteric tests nd productivity by leveragin romosome, germ, manual test	g DX and unique effort ³				
Maximizing AkirunoCube's performance	Streamlining laboratory operations centered around AkirunoCube (General testing labs will be under selection and concentration as well as alliance)						
	Expanding in-hou	use developed nucleic	acid extraction reag	Jent (primarily infectious disea	ases)		
	Development and launch of new items in line with changing treatment strategies (4 items underway)						
	1.5	years CAGR during FY2024-FY2029	2. Compared to FY2024	3. Utilization of 3D printer, etc.			



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: Maximizing AkirunoCube's performance

Achievements of previous MTP

Streamlining of reception¹

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



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Outlook of new MTP

Optimizing processes and improving efficiency by leveraging testing order data

Order data utilization in automated conveyor line

Leveraging built know-how to implement optimal preprocessing and 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: Maximizing AkirunoCube's performance

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

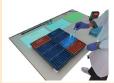
 Automatized RNA extraction process (adoption rate of 98%)



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

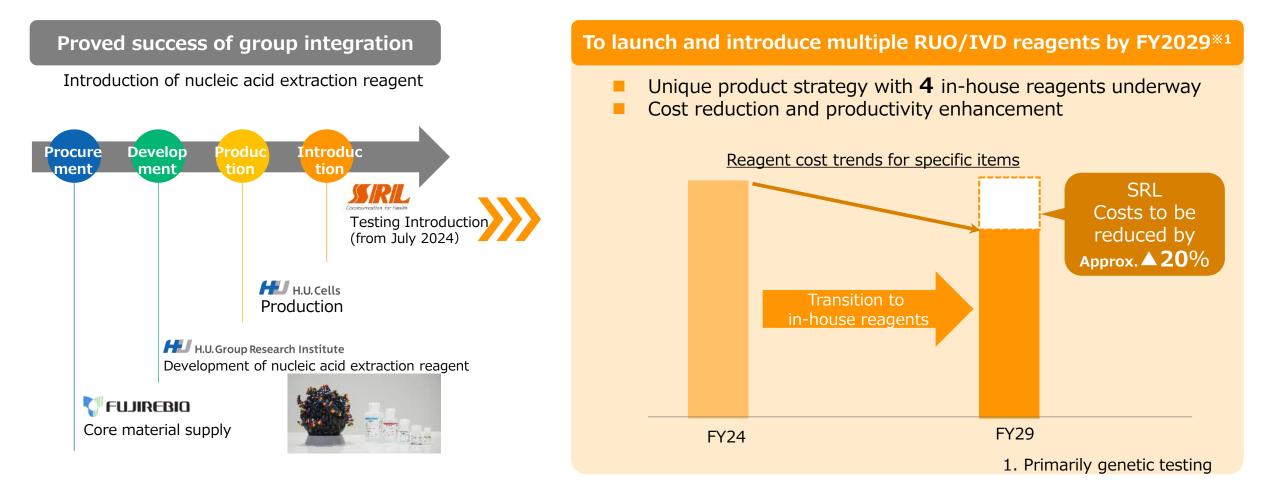
Enhancing detection sensitivity and quality





LTS: Differentiation through Unique Items

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



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



Strategy CDMO Expand business with "Global Partners"

CDMO 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 through CDMO
- 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



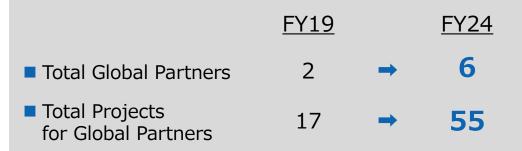
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- Develop unique products, materials, and core-technologies
- R&D teams in JPN/US/EU
- Invest 12% of revenue in R&D every year

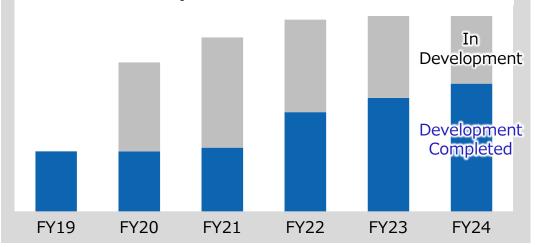
IVD CDMO: Achievements and Prospects

Achievements from the Previous MTP

Increase in number of Global Partners and Projects



Total Number of Projects for Global Partners



Prospects for the new MTP

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

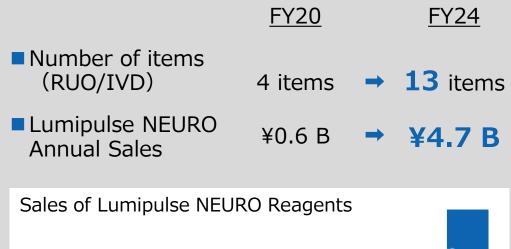
- "Make in India" products: Accelerate market development in India
 - Local manufacturing started (approx. 40 items registered)
- Leverage partner's brand, expansion into markets <u>beyond India</u>
 - South Asia, Southeast Asia, Middle East, Africa



IVD NEURO: Achievements and Prospects

Achievements from the Previous MTP

Strong growth by rapid development and launch of Lumipulse AD markers



Plasma FY19 FY20 FY21 FY22 FY23 FY24

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

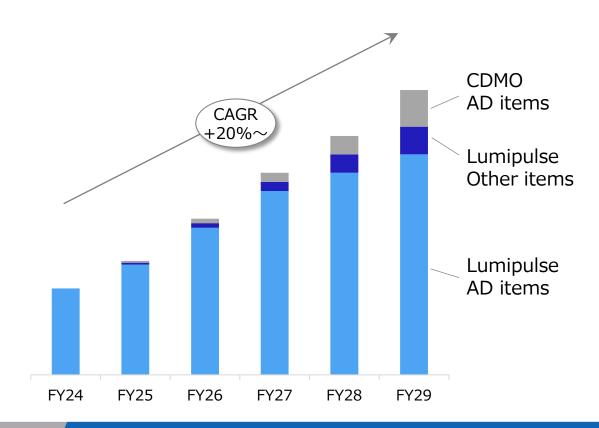
S. Palmqvist et al., Nature Medicine. Published online: 09 April 2025

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%.

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

NEURO Growth Story (Lumipulse+CDMO)



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)



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Prospects for the new MTP

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

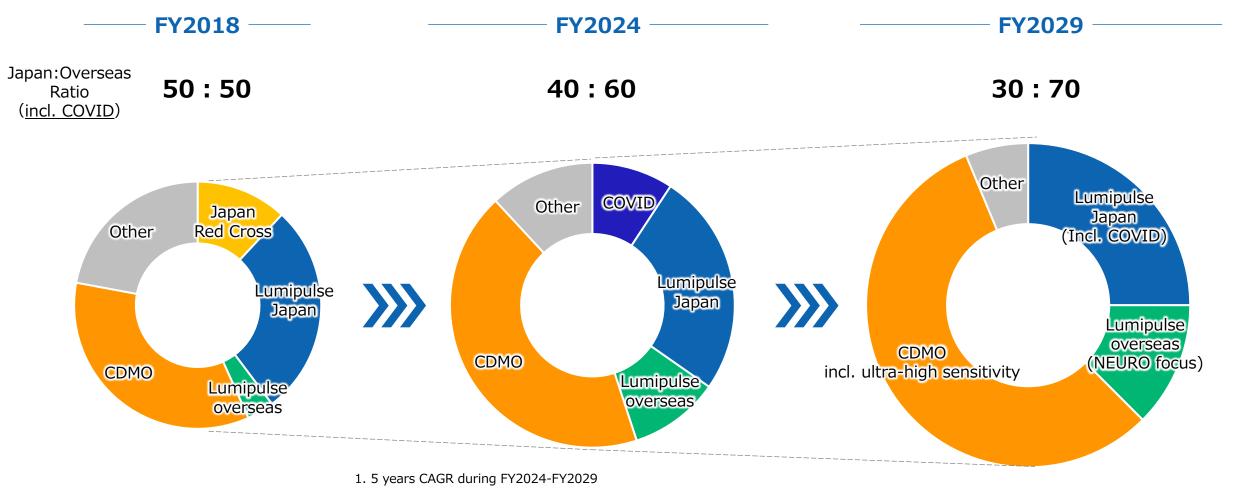
- Develop items with unmet needs for which Ultra Sensitive Detection technology could have high significance
 - TB-LAM² (Tuberculosis)
 - *C. difficile* (Clostridium difficile infection)
 - HBV/HCV (Hepatitis B and C virus)
- Collaboration with top universities in EU/US
 - Develop and evaluate reagents 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 2. Tuberculosis Lipoarabinomannan



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

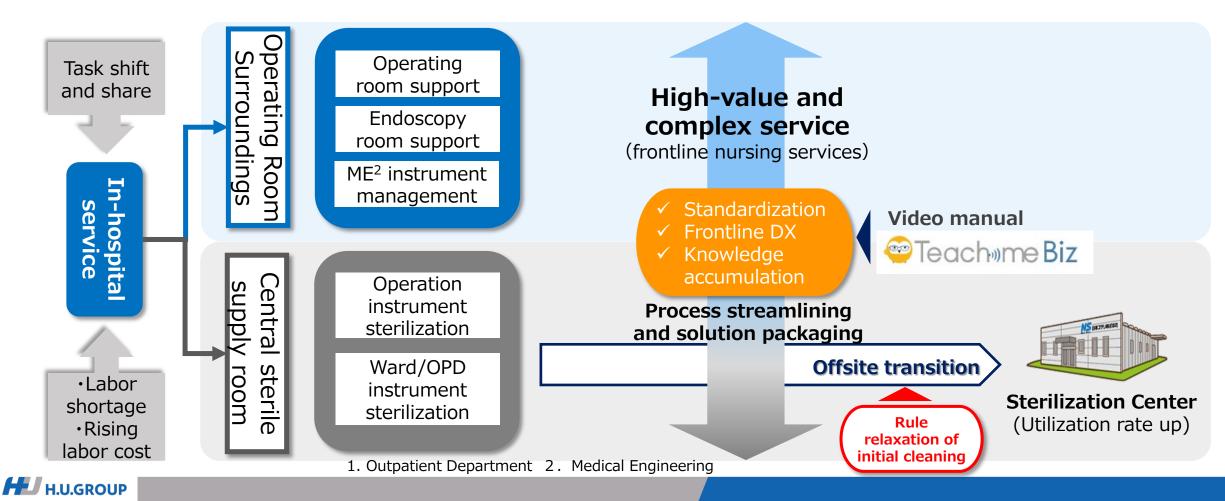




HS: Sterilization/Operation-related business

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

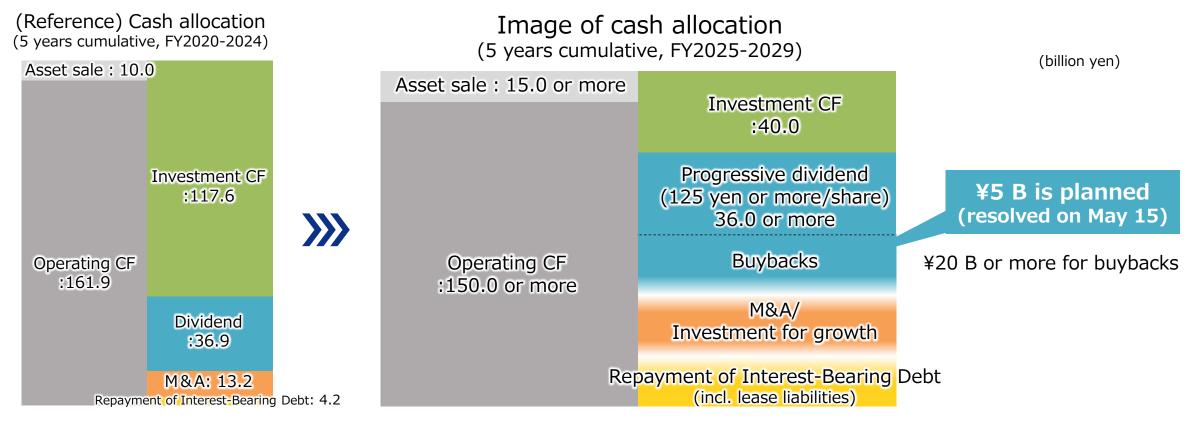


Optimizing Capital Allocation

- The dividend will remain stable and progressive on an ongoing basis Furthermore, the Group will aim for a Dividend on Equity(DOE) ratio of 6%
- 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, total shareholder return will be over ¥56 B, including dividends

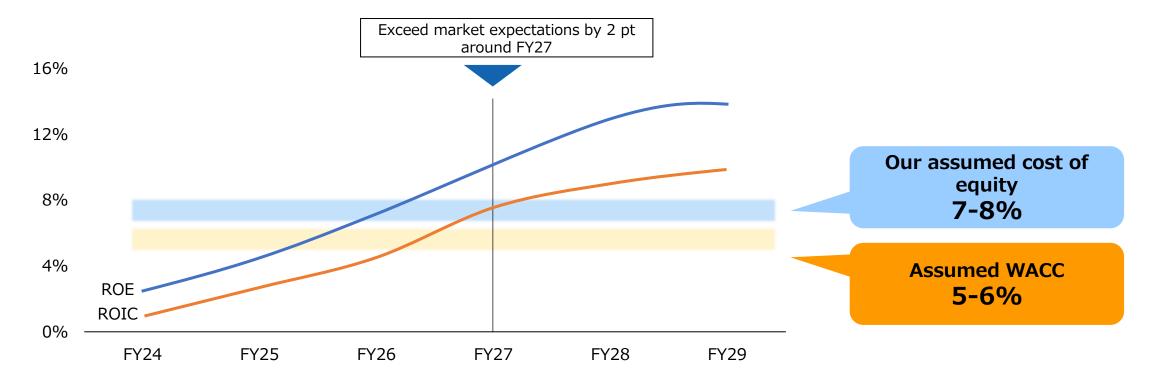
For M&A, utilizing additional debt capacity is also possible





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



Future <u>P</u>olicy We aim to achieve a consolidated DOE ratio of 6% as our primary KPI for dividends, ensuring stable and <u>progressive dividends payments</u> 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. <u>Additionally, share repurchase will be positioned as "strategic investment in the Group" and</u> <u>implemented actively and flexibly.</u>



Major Medium-term Financial Target

FY2024		FY202	5 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/OPM	2.6	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	
ROIC ¹	0.	8%	2.	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



Major Medium-term Financial Target and Financial Discipline

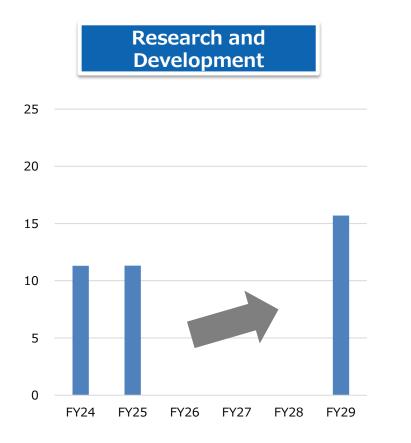
	FY2024	FY2025 Target	FY2029 Target
ROE	2.0%	4.1%	13% or more
Operating CF	¥161.9 B ¹	¥22 B	¥150 B or more ²

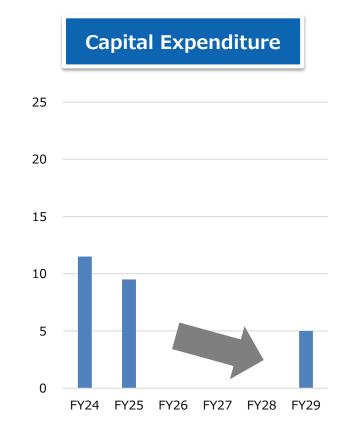
Financial Discipline				
Net interest-bearing debt to EBITDA (excl. lease obligations)	1.3x or less			
Equity ratio	40% or more			

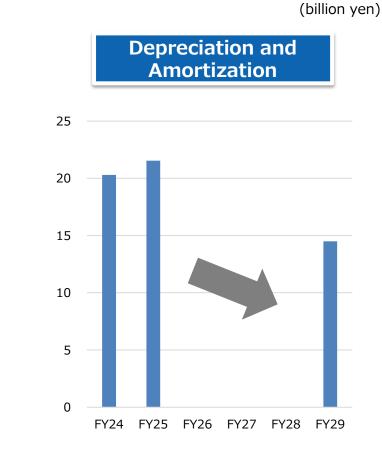
5 years cumulative (FY2020-FY2024)
 5 years cumulative (FY2025-FY2029)



R&D, CAPEX and D&A Costs







- Ongoing development of Lumipulse reagents including NEURO
- IVD: 12% of sales expected to be allocated to R&D

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- Capital expenditure peaked, shifting focus to maintenance investments (five-year total at a ¥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 	 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		 IVD 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) 		
	 Brand management Customer relations 	 HS 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&D Innovation Intellectual 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 change Recycling-oriented society Biodiversity 	 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%

*Suppliers accounting for the top 60% of the consolidated transaction value



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 accelerate them



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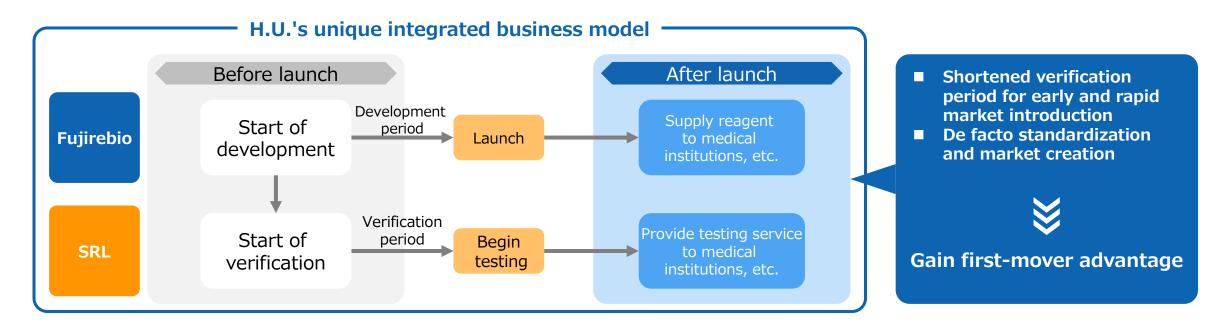


Further Acceleration of Integrated Management

Market creation by LTS/IVD simultaneous launch 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

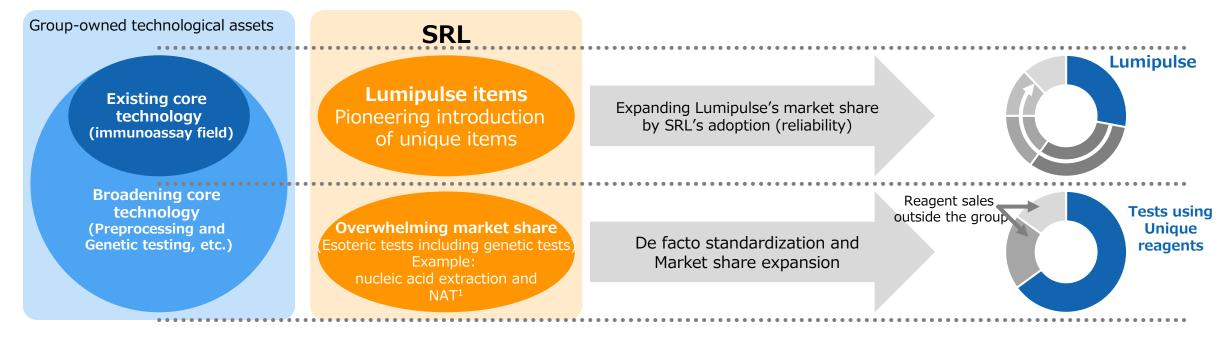
- SRL can start verification at an early stage
- When Fujirebio launches the items, SRL introduces them to the market and starts providing testing service at the same time.
 - Enables sales expansion and market penetration ahead of competitors, positioning as a market creation leader
 - Gain first-mover 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



1. NAT: nucleic acid amplification



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



(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)

1 Nucleic acid Amplification Test



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 Proved success of group integration Mag re Introduction of nucleic acid extraction reagent (Magnetic beads) (Fuji<mark>re</mark>bio) (Nucleic Acids) Develop Introduc Produc Procue meni ment tior **Testing Introduction** (from July 2024) HU Cells Production

> HU.Group Research Institute Development of nucleic acid extraction reagent

FUJIREBIO Core material supply





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

