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Joint Research Agreement with Fuso Pharmaceutical Industries for a High-producing Cell Line for Biopharmaceutical Products

Gene Techno Science Co.,Ltd. has signed a joint research agreement with Fuso Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd. (Code: 4538, TSE 1st Section) for the purpose of creating a high-producing cell for biopharmaceutical products.

The joint research will use a technology for creating a large volume of recombinant protein that utilizes animal cells produced from joint research with Fuso Pharmaceutical Industries and Hokkaido University. Research will aim to create a high-producing cell line for compounds from the Gene Techno Science pipeline. This agreement makes it possible to work on several projects at once that use biosimilars and new biopharmaceuticals in the Gene Techno Science pipeline. Rights to the results of this joint research are expected to be divided between the two companies in accordance with their respective contributions.

Gene Techno Science is currently concentrating on the development of biosimilars with the goal quickly forming alliances and becoming profitable. Creating a high-producing cell line may result a big reduction in the cost of producing these products. If joint research activities go well and lead to the establishment of a high-producing cell line, Gene Techno Science's biosimilars will become more competitive. The result would probably be higher earnings and stronger ties with alliance partners.

For the development of new biopharmaceuticals as well, the establishment of a high-producing line may give Gene Techno Science a more advantageous position for negotiating the sale of licenses.

The business model of Gene Techno Science is centered on knowledge. The lack of any specific technologies has been a weakness of the company. Gene Techno Science hopes that this joint research will yield technologies that will increase its corporate value.

Gene Techno Science has a strong desire to develop and supply outstanding biopharmaceuticals through this joint research for the treatment of people who are suffering from a variety of diseases.

Gene Techno Science received the cooperation of Whiz Partners Inc. (Location: Minato-ku, for establishing this joint research agreement with Fuso Pharmaceutical Industries.

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