

## **Kyowa Hakko Kirin Announces Reorganization of Research and Development Division**

**Tokyo, Japan, January 29, 2018**—Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd. (President and CEO: Nobuo Hanai, "Kyowa Hakko Kirin") announced today that it will reorganize part of the Research and Development Division effective April 1, 2018.

### **Outline of the reorganization**

1. Chemical Research Laboratories and Innovative Technology Laboratories will be reorganized and integrated into 4 major modalities laboratories within the Research Functions Unit: Small Molecule Drug Research Laboratories, Antibody & Biologics Research Laboratories, Nucleic Acid Medicine Research Laboratories and Regenerative Medicine Research Laboratories. In addition, the Research Functions Management Office will be newly established.
2. Translational Research Management Office, Clinical Sciences Research Laboratories and Pharmacokinetics Research Laboratories and Toxicological Research Laboratories will be newly established within the Translational Research Unit.
3. The Development Functions Unit will be eliminated, and the Clinical Development Center, Biometrics Department and Development Coordination Department will be placed directly under the Research and Development Division.

### **Purpose of the reorganization**

Kyowa Hakko Kirin aims to enhance its success probability and achieve sustainable growth of the R&D activities through the following 3 points.

1. Accelerate drug discovery activities in the 4 major modalities of R&D: Small Molecule Drugs, Therapeutic Antibodies, Nucleic Acid Medicine and Regenerative Therapeutics.
2. Promote the use of Data Science and/or Clinical Science in the drug discovery activities.
3. Increase the mobility of the clinical development activities.

\* In relation to this reorganization, the Singapore Translational Research Laboratory (STRL) will be closed on March 31, 2018. STRL is positioned under Kyowa Hakko Kirin (Singapore) Pte. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Kyowa Hakko Kirin.

< R&D Division Organization Chart (Underlined organizations are related to this reorganization ) >

