Press Release



Newsweek International Features ASKA Pharmaceutical

TOKYO, March 21, 2024 - ASKA Pharmaceutical Holdings Co., Ltd. (TSE:4886) is pleased to announce that Sohta Yamaguchi, President, Representative Director of its subsidiary, ASKA Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "ASKA"), was interviewed by the news agency, the Worldfolio PTE. LTD. and the article introducing ASKA was published in the US weekly magazine "Newsweek International." Please see the attached for the article content.

Reference: <u>Newsweek International Features ASKA Pharmaceutical (aska-pharma-hd.co.jp)</u> * announced on September 14, 2023

Newsweek is an American weekly magazine with a global readership of approximately 46 million people, and provides information on all areas of global culture, politics, economics, and social conditions. For the special feature "The Japanese Firms Accelerating Medical Innovation," Newsweek introduced ASKA as one of the firms in this issue.

The full interview is posted on the news website "The WORLDFOLIO." <u>https://www.theworldfolio.com/interviews/aska-we-create-new-value-as-leading-womens-healthcare-company/5872/</u>

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ASKA Pharmaceutical: Revolutionizing Women's Healthcare

In its drive to become a women's healthcare pioneer, ASKA Pharmaceutical is committed to innovation and global expansion.



Head office in Tokyo

ASKA Pharmaceutical is today the leading force in Japan's obstetrics and gynecology sector, showcasing a relentless pursuit of excellence in women's healthcare that demonstrates its commitment beyond mere sales figures. "We aim to become a total healthcare company and a global entity, aligning with our corporate philosophy," says Sohta Yamaguchi, the company's president.

ASKA's strategic shift to a holdings model enables the company to offer comprehensive health



services, from prevention to posttreatment, meeting the evolving needs of a proactive populace. With innovative products like RE-LUMINA (relugolix) for uterine fibroids and endometriosis, and essential products in the treatment of thyroid disease, ASKA Pharmaceutical stands out by providing effec-

tive solutions. "We offer drugs that provide treatment options for women's health challenges at every stage of life," Mr. Yamaguchi

explains. "We aim Three core areas with a to not only provide focus on pharmaceuticals Mr. Yamaguchi en-

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Sohta Yamaguchi, President, **ASKA** Pharmaceutical

drugs and treatments but also medical equipment and related services, offering comprehensive health services for females."

And in a world where selfmedication is on the rise, ASKA Pharmaceutical sees opportuni-

ties, not obstacles. "Overthe-counter options are gaining popularity, and this has led to the growing health consciousness of the Japanese people and the revitalization of the healthcare market," he adds.

Looking forward,



Drugs for the treatment of thyroid disease when launched in 1922

visions a future where ASKA expands globally, enriching lives beyond Japan's borders. "By our 105th anniversary in 2025, I hope to report our successful achievements," he shares, hinting at forthcoming advancements in global expansion and new business ventures.

In a nutshell, ASKA Pharmaceutical isn't just about treating ailments; it's about empowering women, fostering health awareness, and pioneering innovations that transcend borders. With Mr. Yamaguchi at the helm, the company's journey towards global leadership in women's health seems not just promising but inevitable.

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