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Ono Obtains an ISO14001 Certification for Its Fujiyama Plant

Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. announced today that its Fujiyama Plant obtained an ISO14001 certification, an international environmental management system standard, on November 22, 2002.

Since commencement of its operation in 1975, the Fujiyama Plant has served as Ono's main production site in Japan, producing leading ethical drugs, such as Elaspol[®]100 for Injection, a drug for the treatment of acute lung injury associated with systemic inflammatory response syndrome (SIRS), Onon[®] Capsules for the treatment of bronchial asthma and allergic rhinitis, and Kinedak[®] Tablets for the treatment of diabetic peripheral neuropathy.

The Fujiyama Plant, in pursuit of ISO14001 certification, has been engaged in environment-related activities since August 2001. Thanks to these efforts, The High Pressure Gas Safety Institute of Japan ISO Center (KHK-ISO Center), one of the certifying authorities, has agreed that the Fujiyama Plant conforms to the ISO14001 standards.

Under its basic philosophy, "Making an effort to preserve the global environment by accepting our social responsibility for the environment, and promoting environment-friendly activities in all of our business operations," the Fujiyama Plant has established an environmental management system that will contribute to environmental preservation through resource conservation, energy conservation, and waste reduction.

Ono will continue to actively promote environmental preservation, as well as to maintain and improve the environmental management system.

[Reference]

Outline of the Fujiyama Plant

1. Address: 5221, Higashi-shimogumi, Kitayama-aza, Fujinomiya City, Shizuoka Prefecture
2. Lot area: 102,747.71 m²
3. Production items: A variety of ethical drugs
4. No. of employees: 100 (as of December 1, 2002)