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Ending the Research Collaboration between Genetics Institute and Ono

Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Head Office located in Osaka, Japan) and Genetics Institute, LLC (now integrated into Wyeth; Corporate Office located in New Jersey, USA) announced today that both parties reached an agreement that will bring their collaborative relationship in the field of research, started in September 1994, to a close.

For almost 10 years, the two companies have been collaborating in the area of genomics based on the exploratory research of new genes isolated using the SST method (Signal Sequence Trap method, a very effective method to isolate target genes).

Various new target genes relating to biological substances have already been obtained thanks to the cooperative efforts over the years. Ono is proud of the fact that some of research results have been successfully applied to Ono's ongoing genomic discovery research.