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JCR Announces First Patient Dosed in Phase 1/2 Global Clinical Trial of JR-171 for mucopolysaccharidosis type I (MPS I)

JCR Pharmaceuticals Co., Ltd. (TSE 4552; Chairman and President: Shin Ashida; “JCR”) announced today that the dosing of the first patient in Phase 1/2 global clinical trial of JR-171 was initiated on October 28, 2020 (JST). JR-171 is a blood-brain-barrier (BBB)-penetrating recombinant α -L-iduronidase, the product candidate for the treatment of patients with MPS I (Hurler syndrome, Hurler-Scheie syndrome, Scheie syndrome), to which J-Brain Cargo[®], JCR’s proprietary BBB penetration technology, is applied.

MPS I is a lysosomal storage disorder (LSD) characterized by multiple somatic and central nervous system (CNS) signs and symptoms. An enzyme replacement therapy exists for the treatment of somatic signs and symptoms, but due to its inability to cross the BBB, it leaves the CNS symptoms unaddressed.

In this study, MPS I patients will be treated with JR-171 for at most 12 weeks to evaluate the safety of JR-171 as the primary endpoint and exploratory efficacy and pharmacokinetics as secondary endpoints. This study is planned to be conducted in Japan, Brazil, and the United States as the JCR’s first global clinical trial. In Brazil, JR-171 has obtained Rare Disease Designation and the start of this study has been approved. In the US, JCR is preparing for the start of this study as well.

The summary of this study is also registered on clinicaltrials.gov (Identifier : [NCT04227600](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT04227600))

In addition to JR-171, JCR has developed a series of therapeutic enzymes that harness J-Brain Cargo[®] technology for –the treatment of LSDs with CNS sequelae. As a specialty pharma in the rare disease arena, JCR will accelerate its research and development activities in the LSD space to make this innovation available to a broader patient population outside of clinical trials.

The clinical trial plan for JR-171 is expected to have a minor impact on JCR’s consolidated financial results for the year ending March 31, 2021.

[About JCR Pharmaceuticals]

JCR is a specialty pharma company engaged in the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of biopharmaceuticals and regenerative medicine with a focus on rare diseases. Its philosophy, “Contributing towards people’s healthcare through pharmaceutical products” drives JCR to create innovative pharmaceutical products as value-added treatment options for the under-served patient populations.

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