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Medical University of Vienna

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency

**Conclusion of a Memorandum of Understanding between
the Medical University of Vienna and
the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA)**
— Strengthening Human Resource Development in Regulatory Science —

The Medical University of Vienna, Austria, and the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA), Japan, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 30 June 2026 to promote collaboration in the field of regulatory science.

The purpose of this MoU is to facilitate collaboration and cooperation in areas such as research and personnel exchange, leveraging the respective strengths of both institutions and contributing to the advancement of regulatory science.

For PMDA, this collaboration is in line with PMDA's initiative for collaboration and human resource development, the Alliance for Regulatory Science Advancement (ARSA). Under this framework, PMDA collaborates with worldwide academic and research institutions to conduct advanced, practice-oriented training and joint activities, thereby fostering the next generation of regulatory science professionals.

The Medical University of Vienna is one of Europe's leading institutions for medical research and education, with a strong track record in medical statistics and innovative clinical trial design. Under this collaboration, international personnel exchange and cross-border joint activities will be conducted primarily between the Center for Medical Data Science at the Medical University of Vienna and the Biostatistics Group of the Center for Product Evaluation at PMDA.

Through collaboration with internationally active researchers, PMDA staff will build on their existing expertise and further deepen their practical understanding of cutting-edge analytical methods and research findings. This will contribute to further advancing their expertise in biostatistics, as well as accumulating practical experience in an international research environment. Furthermore, the knowledge and experience obtained through this collaboration are expected to be applied to PMDA's internal operations, thereby contributing to further improvements of science-based approaches in the quality of regulatory reviews and safety measures, as well as to the strengthening of institutional capacity for international cooperation through the establishment of professional networks.



At the same time, for the Medical University of Vienna, this collaboration will strengthen its expertise in international regulatory science and strengthen its global regulatory network. The joint work will, in particular, support research at the Center for Medical Data Science on the development of statistical methods relevant to regulatory decision-making in medicinal product development.

(Reference) About the Medical University of Vienna

The Medical University of Vienna is one of Europe's leading institutions for medical research and education. As one of the largest medical universities in Europe, it is home to a large community of researchers and healthcare professionals and has an outstanding track record across a wide range of fields, from basic research to clinical studies. In particular, the Center for Medical Data Science at the Medical University of Vienna is internationally recognized for its research in medical and regulatory statistics and clinical research methodology, and its work contributes to advancing pharmaceutical development and clinical research in Europe.

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