

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency and Japanese Pharmacopoeia

Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (PMDA);

- is an incorporated administrative agency, established under the Act on PMDA in 2004
- conducts scientific and technical evaluations and reviews on pharmaceuticals and medical devices, under the entrustment from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW)

Japanese Pharmacopoeia (JP);

- is a book of official pharmaceutical standards in Japan, prepared by the JP secretariat in PMDA and established by the MHLW
- is evaluated and reviewed in expert committees periodically held by the JP secretariat