

NEWS RELEASE

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc. Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd.

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Egypt Otsuka acquires an Egyptian intravenous infusion manufacturing and distribution company.

June 17, 2014 – Egypt Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., S.A.E. (Head Office: 10th of Ramadan City, Egypt; President: Ahmed Zaghloul, "Egypt Otsuka"), a subsidiary of Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd., and Ateco Pharma Egypt (Head Office: El-Obour City, Egypt; Chairman: Mohamed Ateik, "Ateco"), a local Egyptian intravenous infusion manufacturing and distribution company, have entered into an agreement on June 17, 2014 under which Egypt Otsuka will acquire 80% of Ateco's stake* and Ateco will be a subsidiary of Egypt Otsuka.

Egypt Otsuka was established in 10th of Ramadan City in 1992 aiming to supply Otsuka's pharmaceutical products in the Egyptian market and succeeded to the business of Arab Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., S.A.E. established in the Public Free Zone (special tax free zone for export) in Cairo in 1977. Since then, Egypt Otsuka has been engaged in manufacturing and distributing intravenous infusions and therapeutic drugs in Egypt and neighboring countries in the Middle East as well as in Africa. Along with growing demands for intravenous infusion products in those markets, Egypt Otsuka's production capacity has nearly reached a maximum level and its expansion has been an immediate task to meet the growing demand.

Ateco is an Egyptian intravenous infusion manufacturing company and has a large domestic market share. This acquisition will enable Egypt Otsuka to expand its annual production capacity of intravenous infusions by approximately 50% in volume and sufficiently meet the increasing demands in the market.

Ateco will be renamed as "Otsuka Ateco Pharma Egypt" after the acquisition.

Otsuka Ateco Pharma Egypt will supply intravenous infusion products of high quality to not only Egypt but also the Middle East and Africa in cooperation with Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc., one of shareholders of Egypt Otsuka.

Otsuka group will continuously contribute to entire world's healthcare under its company philosophy "Otsuka-people creating new products for better health worldwide".

* Ateco is a limited partnership company and all the stake in Ateco is owned by Mr. Mohamed Ateik and his family.

Company Profiles

Ateco Pharma Egypt:

Established	:	November 14, 1994
Capital	:	EGP 25 million (Approx. JPY 360 million)
President	:	Mohamed Abdelsadek Moussa Ateik, Chairman
Head Office	:	El-Obour City, Egypt
Employees	:	150 (as of March 31, 2014)
Business	:	Manufacturing and distribution of pharmaceutical products
Description		

Egypt Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., S.A.E.

Established	:	July 15, 1992
Capital	:	USD 8 million
President	:	Ahmed Zaghloul, President
Head Office	:	10th of Ramadan City, Egypt
Employees	:	745 (as of March 31, 2014)
Business	:	Manufacturing and distribution of pharmaceutical products
Description		