Mid-term Business Plan TRANSFORM 2020

-Transform Operations to Achieve a Highly Profitable Structure-

NIHON KOHDEN CORPORATION

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Fighting Disease with Electronics



- Review of the Previous Mid-term Business Plan, Strong Growth 2017
- Business Environment
- Mid-term Business Plan, TRANSFORM 2020



Review of the Previous Mid-term Business Plan, Strong Growth 2017

Management Philosophy

We contribute to the world by fighting disease and improving health with advanced technology, and create a fulfilling life for our employees.

The Envisioned Corporate Status for 2020

The CHANGE 2020 -The Global Leader of Medical Solutions-

Lead the world in the development of revolutionary breakthrough technology

- Promote healthier and longer life in the development of world-first revolutionary technologies
- Help hospitals assure safety and security of medical care

Achieve the highest level of quality in the world

We will achieve the highest level of quality in the world in order to sustain customer satisfaction well into the future, thereby earning a solid reputation as a reliable partner.



Attain the top share of applicable global markets

We will strive to attain the top market share for a wider range of our own products in both the domestic and international markets while aiming to achieve a top share for all of our own products in the domestic market.



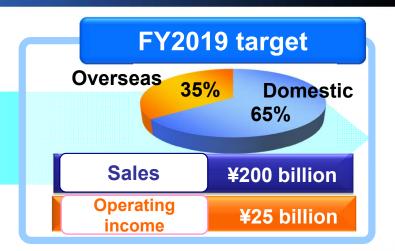
Long-term Vision and Mid-term Business Plan

Long-term vision (April 2010 to March 2020)

On Nihon Kohden's 60th anniversary, we drew up our long-term vision for 2020.

The CHANGE 2020

-The Global Leader of Medical Solutions-



Mid-term business plan

We have drawn up and implemented mid-term business plans by dividing the 10 years from 2010 to 2020 into 3 stages.

April, 2010

April, 2013

April, 2017

SPEED UP III

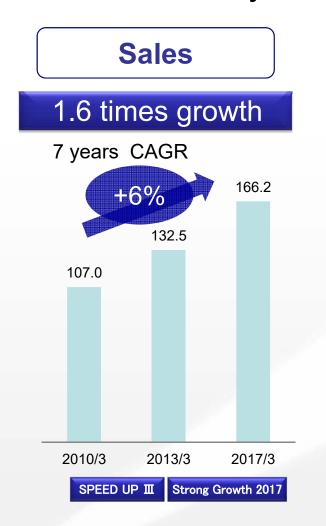
Strong Growth 2017

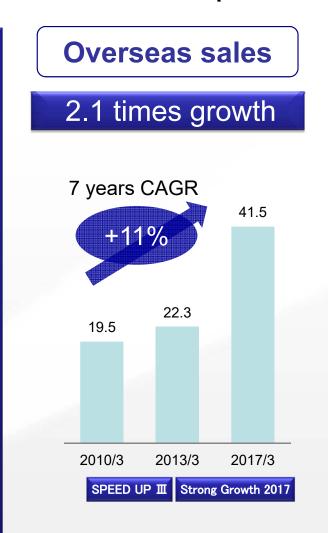
TRANSFORM 2020

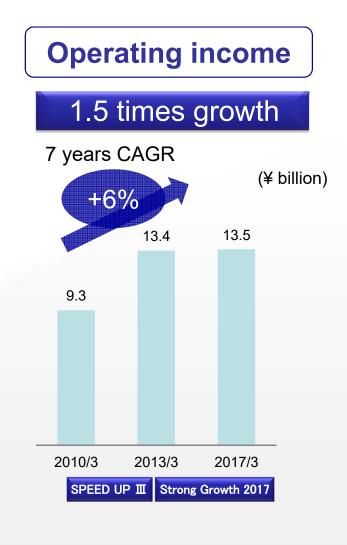
FY2016 Revised during FY2016 **Original target Revised target** the period Sales ¥182 billion ¥170 billion Operating income ¥20 billion ¥18 billion 11.0% Operating income margin 10.6% ROE 13.5% 13.0% Overseas sales ratio 28.5% 28.6%

Results over the Past Seven Years

- Strong growth in overseas markets
- Profitability declined due to upfront investment burden.

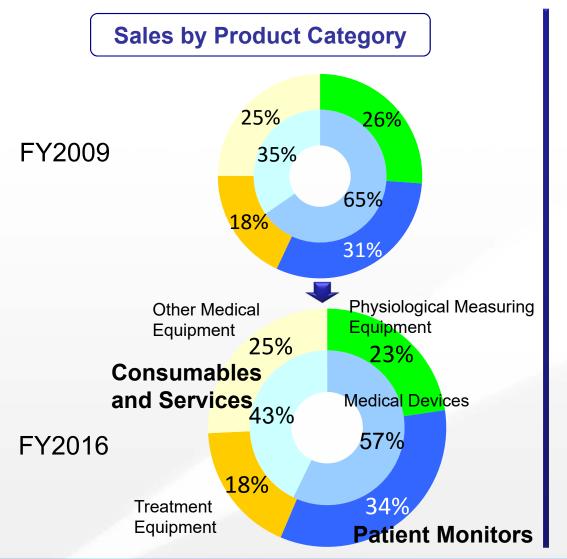


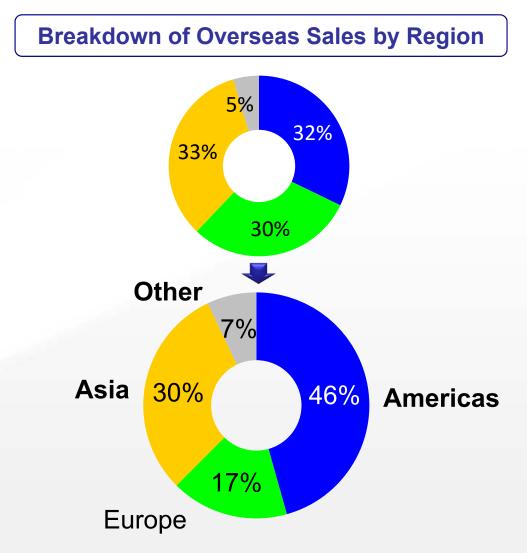




Drivers of Sales Growth

- Patient Monitoring Business and Consumables & Services Business
- Business in the U.S. and emerging markets





Results of Strong Growth 2017 (i)

Achieve Strong Growth with Company-wide efforts

Sustainable growth in Japan

 Strengthen business development in each market: the acute care hospital market, the small and mid-sized hospital market, and the clinic market



Hospital Sales Operations



GP* Sales
Operations

Strong growth in international market

- Improve presence in the U.S. by reorganizing sales operations and strengthening ties with IDNs
- Achieve high growth in emerging markets by expanding sales networks and Shanghai Kohden's product line-up

Further growth in core businesses

Patient Monitoring Business

 Launch competitive products and technologies, and expand product line-up









Consumables and Services Business

 Secure stable revenue by business expansion







*GP: General Practitioner

Results of Strong Growth 2017 (ii)

Enhance operating base to ensure growth

Strengthen international business structure

 Establish sales subsidiaries



Appoint local management staff



Establish R&D base

- Construct Advanced Technology Center
- Establish R&D offices in the U.S.





Reorganize domestic production operations

- Start operation of Tomioka Production Center
- Shift production of consumables to Tomioka 2nd plant

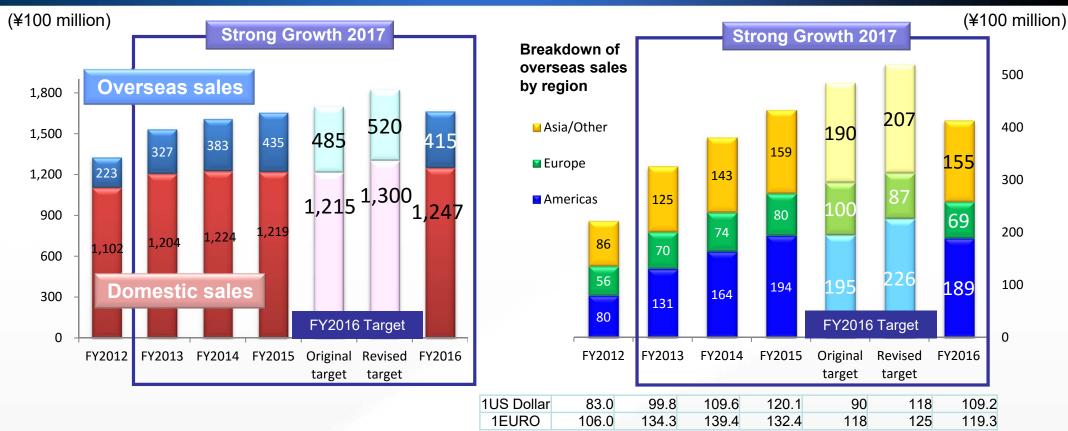




Strengthen corporate governance

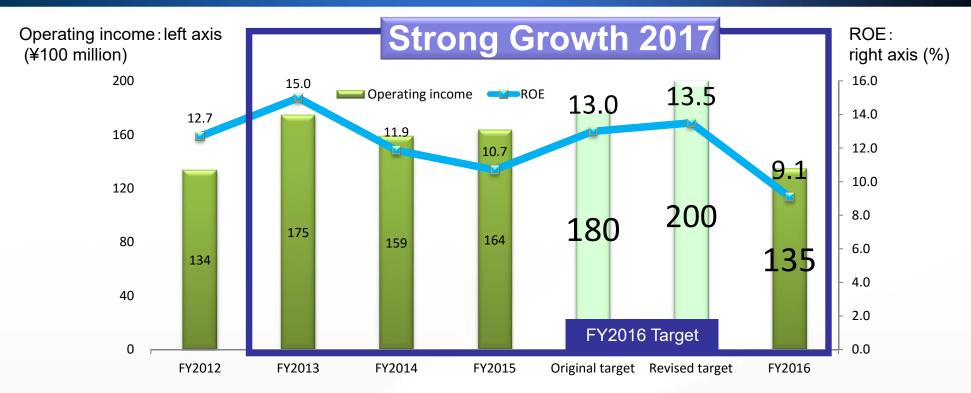
- Transition to a Company with Audit & Supervisory Committee
- Appoint 4 independent outside directors
- Establish a Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Quantitative Evaluation of Strong Growth 2017- Sales



Reasons for missing revised targets	External environmental factors	The Company's factors
Japan	 Progress of healthcare reform Deterioration of management environment in acute care hospitals 	Building sales operations and developing products in response to the market environment remained as an issue
Overseas	 Negative currency translation impact due to yen appreciation Deterioration of market environment in some emerging markets 	 Rapid response to tenders with short delivery times in emerging markets remained as an issue Improving our presence in Western European markets remained as an issue

Quantitative Evaluation of Strong Growth 2017- Profit



	External environmental factors	The Company's factors
	Increase in retirement benefit expenses due to discount rate change	Missed sales target
Reasons for missing revised targets	Negative currency translation impact due to yen appreciation	 Rise in cost of sales ratio due to unfavorable product mix Upfront investment burden R&D investment Strengthen overseas sales & services network

Issues Carried over to the New Mid-term Business Plan

Strong Growth 2017 completed enhancement of operating base



Improvement of profitability



Globalization of management



Further growth of overseas business



Development of new businesses

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Business Environment

Business Environment



Developed countries

- Medical demand is rising along with aging population
- Restrain the increase of medical expenses
 - Improve quality and efficiency of medical care
 - Regional healthcare network



Emerging markets

- Healthcare infrastructure is developing together with economic growth
- Aging populations and increase of lifestyle diseases



Technological Innovation

- Utilize IoT, big data and Al
- Medical wearable terminals
- Progress in regenerative medicine

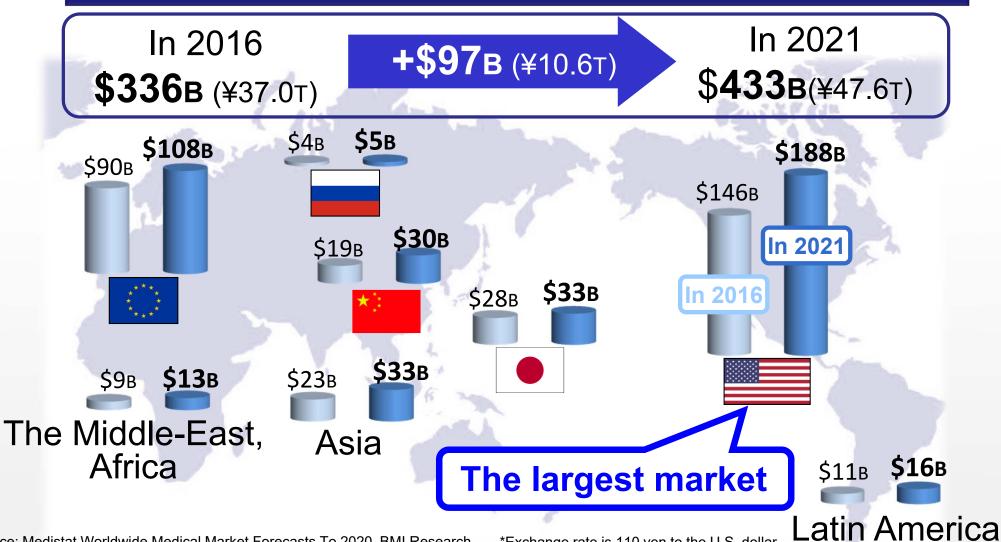


Competitive environment

- Entry of competitors from different industries
- > Active M&A

The Global Medical Device Market

- 5% CAGR
- U.S. and emerging markets drive growth



Source: Medistat Worldwide Medical Market Forecasts To 2020. BMI Research

*Exchange rate is 110 yen to the U.S. dollar

Japanese Market Environment

Each prefecture is restructuring its medical functions and promoting home care according to its regional health vision.

Each prefecture drew up a regional health vision

FY2015 report

1,244k beds (based on medical institution survey, 1,330k beds)

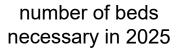
Advanced



Recovery phase, 129k beds

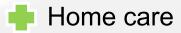
592k beds

Chronic. 353k beds



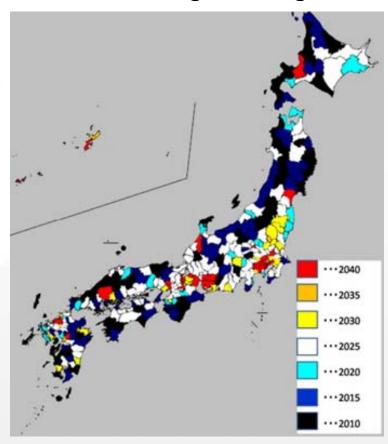
1.191k beds





Source: The Company created this graph in reference to the 1st Investigative Commission for a review of a healthcare plan held in May 2016 (reference material 4), and the 4th WG for regional health vision held in May 2017(document 3).

The date at which medical demand will peak varies from region to region.



Source: National Conference for Social Security System Reform (The 9th document 3-3) in April 2013



Mid-term Business Plan, TRANSFORM 2020

Basic Policies of TRANSFORM 2020

Transform operations to achieve a highly profitable structure





Basic Policies of TRANSFORM 2020

Create high customer value

Our **Strength**

Unique technologies such as sensor technology and data analysis technology

Develop and sell in-house products with high customer value







- Increase the competitive advantage of consumables such as sensors
- Services that contribute to medical safety and efficiency

Consumables and Services Sales Ratio Target 45%

Establish a global sales and services network that draws on high levels of expertise

Basic Policies of TRANSFORM 2020

Improve productivity within the organization

Tomioka Production Center

Implement production reforms



Establish a global supply chain appropriate for the Group

- Improve productivity
- Ensure the timely supply of products to countries around the world

Advanced Technology Center

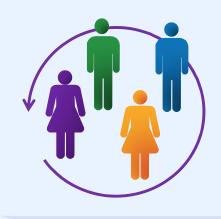
- Utilize the R&D and testing environment
- Strengthen the support from process management, quality management, and production technology



Improve development efficiency

Entire Group

Reform operating procedures and utilize information technology



Improve the productivity of each employee

Six Key Strategies

Strengthen business expansion by region

Achieve further growth in core businesses

Develop new businesses

Strengthen technological development capabilities

Pursue the highest level of quality in the world

Consolidate corporate fundamentals

Strengthen Business Expansion by Region

Nihon Kohden will reinforce our business expansion in Japan, developed countries, and emerging markets to achieve sustainable growth in Japan and strong growth internationally.

Japan

Establish the business foundation for future growth to meet medical needs in an aging society

U.S.

Strengthen our business structure in the U.S. which is the world's largest market and a center of leading-edge medical care

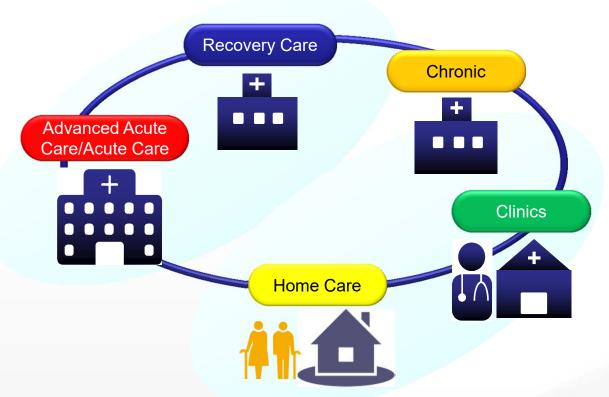
Emerging Markets

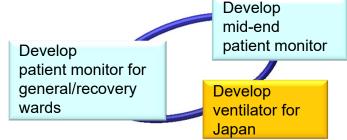
Conduct strategic business expansion to meet medical needs in high growth emerging markets



Establish the business foundation for future growth to meet medical needs in an aging society

Provide solutions that contribute to improving hospital management





Expand product portfolio to meet the needs of regional medical care networks Ö LAVITA®

Remote Medical Support System

Automatic transfer of measurement data during house visit

Blood pressure temperature

 SpO_2

(plan to launch FY2017)

Share information



Enhance and reorganize sales and services operations

Hospital Sales Operation

GP* Sales Operation

Sales Subsidiary system Transition to branch system

*GP: General Practitioner



Remote care system for elderly persons who live alone







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Monitoring Business

 Provide solutions that contribute to improving quality and efficiency of medical care ✓ Establish R&D, sales and services operations that enable rapid response to market needs and ensure high customer satisfaction





Coast users

Emerging Markets

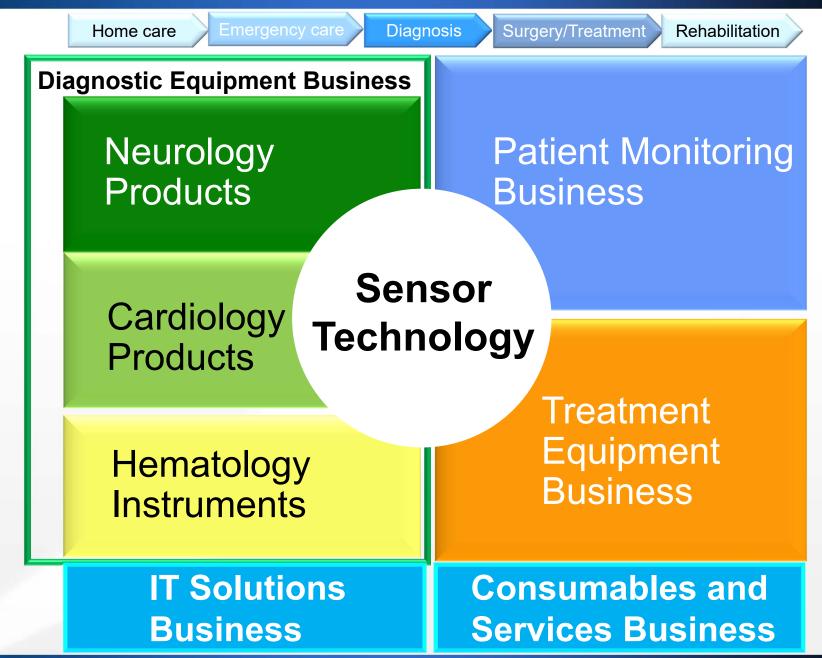
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Enhance R&D and production operations in China



Promote local production and strengthen local services operations in India, Southeast Asia, and Latin America

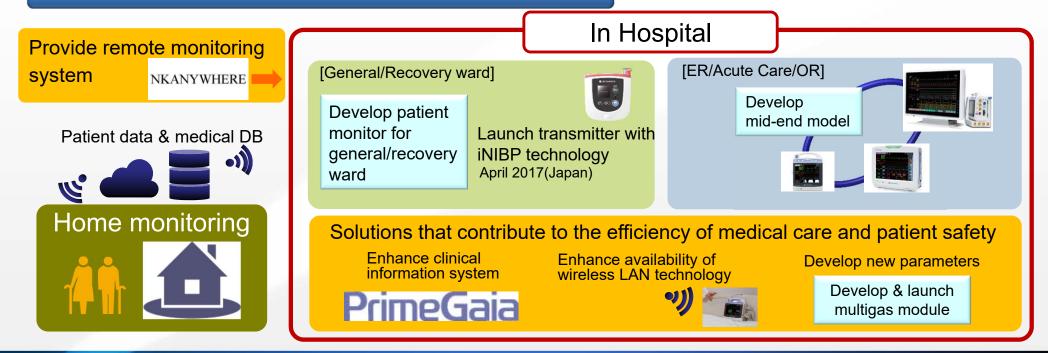
Achieve Further Growth in Core Businesses



i) Patient Monitoring Business

- ✓ Provide monitoring solutions that contribute to improving the quality and efficiency of medical care and patient safety
- ✓ Establish a global R&D structure for responding to the needs of each market
- ✓ Enhance network systems to support large-scale monitoring by utilizing wireless technology

Future Product Development (Plan)



ii) Diagnostic Equipment Business

Neurology products

Expand our market share in the neuro monitoring market by providing neurology products which combine information technology and patient monitoring technology



✓ Expand the integrated product line-up by utilizing our unique technologies such as synthesized 18-lead ECG*

Cardiology products



✓ Strengthen the price competitiveness of affordable models

Shanghai Kohden products





*Synthesized 18-lead ECG is a measurement method to derive 6-lead ECG, right-side leads V3R-V5R and posterior leads V7-V9, from the standard 12-lead ECG.

ii) Diagnostic Equipment Business

Hematology Instruments

- ✓ Expand line-up of products for point of care testing such as hematology analyzers, clinical chemistry analyzers and reagents
- ✓ Accelerate global business expansion by strengthening our cost competitiveness through enhancing local manufacturing capability

Hematology analyzer



Clinical chemistry analyzer

- Production of hematology analyzers and clinical chemistry analyzers started in Shanghai Kohden in 2016.
- Production of CRP reagents and HbA1c reagents in India is planned to start in 2017.





iii) Treatment Equipment Business

✓ Establish leadership position in the defibrillator and AED markets Develop unique technologies and solutions that contribute to improving the care cycle in the resuscitation field



✓ Create ventilators and anesthesia machines business and promote global expansion at the earliest opportunity

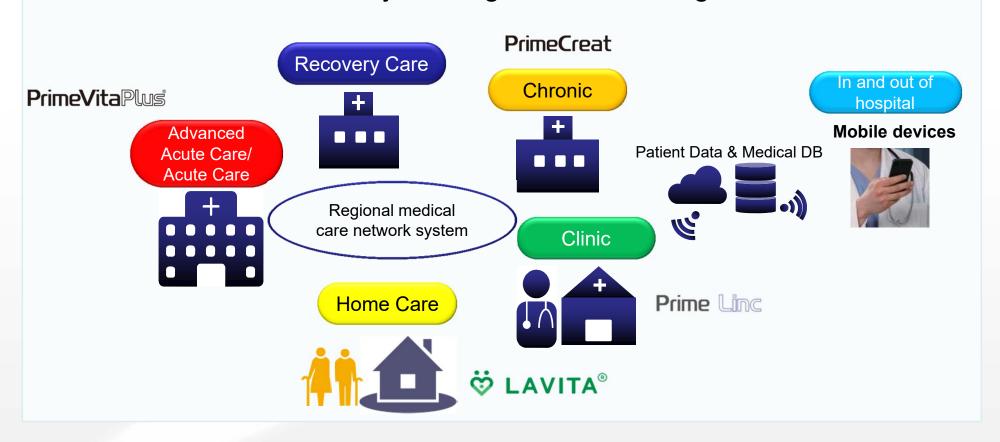
Develop cutting-edge ventilators and anesthesia machines by utilizing unique technologies

Ventilator for Japan	Under development at Advanced Technology Center FY2018
Ventilator for emerging markets	Under development at the U.S. R&D office, OrangeMed
Anesthesia Machine	Joint development with Acoma FY2018

Launch Target

iv) IT Solutions Business

✓ Expand our system product line-up to become the basis of regional medical care networks by utilizing cloud technologies



v) Consumables and Services Business

Promote market penetration of our unique sensor technologies globally



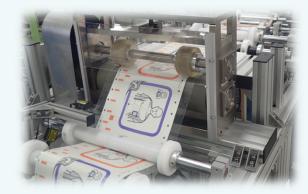
Strengthen production and supply capability with respect to consumables in order to achieve cost reductions and meet increasing demands

Promote automated production of SpO₂/CO₂ sensors and AED disposable pads









Provide value-added services by utilizing Internet of Things technologies



Develop New Businesses

Nihon Kohden will develop new businesses to meet new market needs in accordance with changes in the market environment and the progress of technological innovation, with the aim of creating future core businesses.

✓ Create new customer value and new businesses by utilizing technological resources such as sensor technology, signal processing technology, and data analysis technology



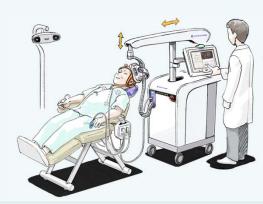


• • • Develop new parameters



*estimated Continuous Cardiac Output. Non-invasive continuous cardiac output monitoring. It estimates CO using ECG and SpO₂.

- ✓ Create new businesses that meet new medical needs in an aging society
- Aim to develop Japan's first non-invasive repetitive magnetic stimulation treatment equipment for patients with Parkinson's disease
- Complete clinical trial registration in January 2017



Strengthen Technological Development Capabilities

Nihon Kohden will further reinforce its technological development capabilities which are the basis for developing revolutionary breakthrough technologies, achieving the highest level of quality, and delivering high clinical value.







✓ Further reinforce core technologies which are the source of our competitive advantage

Sensor technology



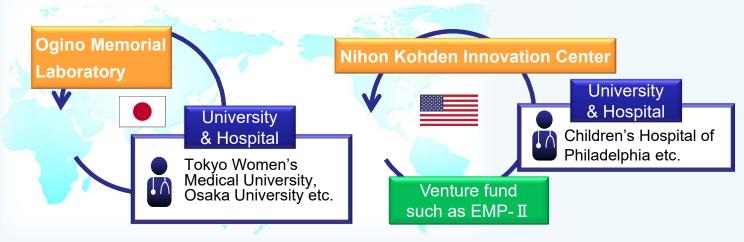
Signal processing technology



Data analysis technology



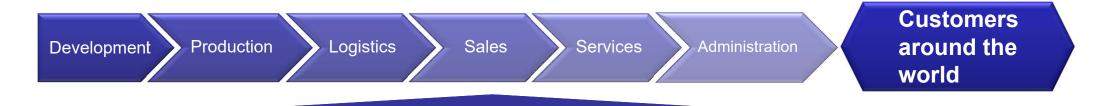
✓ Introduce revolutionary technologies more rapidly through collaboration with industry-government-academia partnerships



Pursue the Highest Level of Quality in the World

Nihon Kohden will ensure the top quality in every activity of every division across the entire Nihon Kohden Group to ensure the satisfaction of customers around the world.





Establish a global quality management system

Respond to regulations in each country and enhance postmarket surveillance

No.1 customer satisfaction for 10 consecutive years



Consolidate Corporate Fundamentals

- ✓ Establish a global business management structure
- ✓ Promote CSR activities

CSR Mid-term Plan

Sustainable Growth 2020

Healthcare

- Provide solutions that contribute to medical safety, security and efficiency
- Contribute to improving access to medical care in emerging markets and PAD* markets

Environment

- Provide environmentally friendly products
- Promote energy conservation and reduce waste

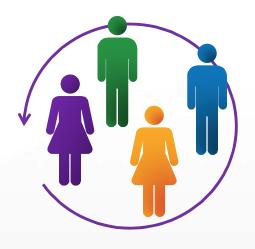
Corporate Activities

- Ensure compliance
- Strengthen group-wide governance structure

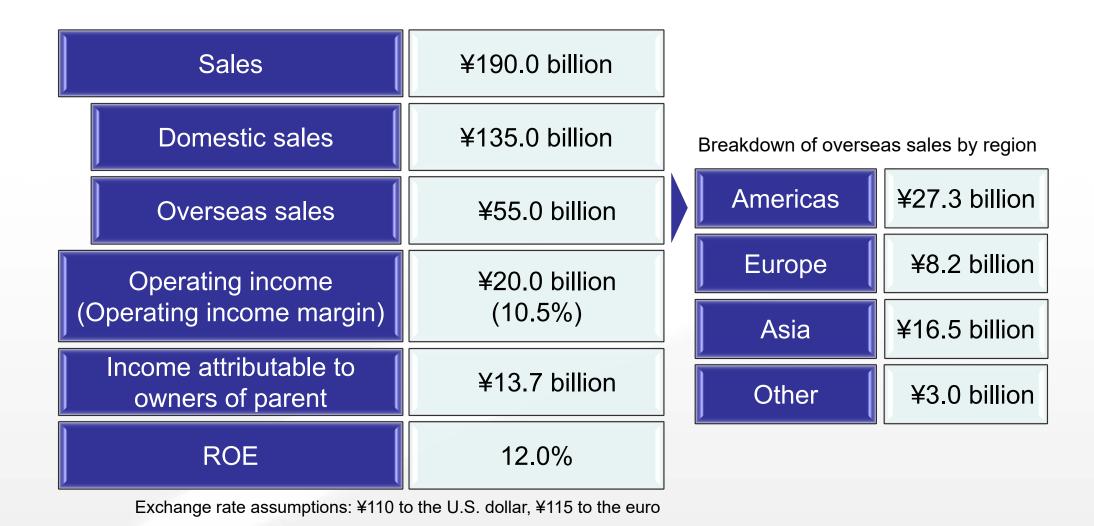
*PAD: Public Access Defibrillation

Human Resource Development and Corporate Culture Reform

- ✓ Introduce a new personnel system and human resource development programs
- ✓ Foster human resources who act autonomously
- ✓ Cultivate an open and energetic corporate culture

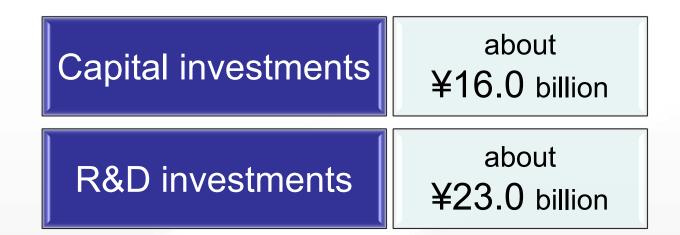


Targets for FY2019 ending March 2020 (consolidated)



Investment plan for growth

FY2017 - FY2019 (three years)



Basic Policy on Distribution of Profits and Dividends

Investments for Growth

Continue investments necessary for future business expansion

R&D investments

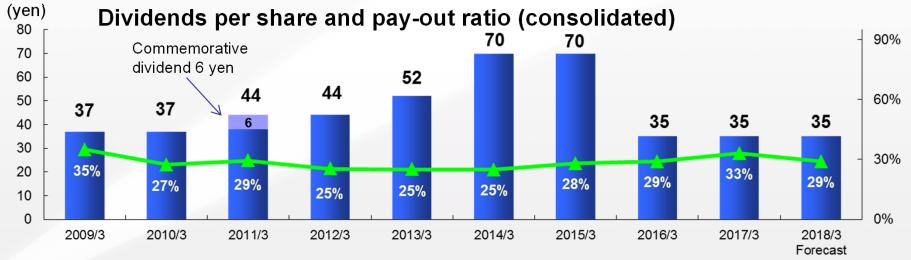
Capital investments

M&A and alliance

Human resource development

Shareholder Return

- ✓ Maintain stable and continuous dividend payments
- ✓ A target consolidated dividend payout ratio of 30% or more
- Cash dividends are the basis of shareholder return, and share buybacks are considered in a flexible manner.



*Effective April 1, 2015, each share of common stock was split into two shares. Dividends per share from FY2008 to FY2014 were actual payment amounts.



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