

News Release

Astellas Announces Cancellation of Treasury Stock

Tokyo, Japan, May 13, 2013 – Astellas Pharma Inc. (Tokyo: 4503; President and CEO: Yoshihiko Hatanaka, hereinafter called "the Company") announced that at the meeting of the Board of Directors held today, a resolution was adopted that the Company will cancel its treasury stock, pursuant to Article 178 of the Japanese Corporate Law.

Particulars

1. Class of shares to be cancelled Common stock of the Company

2. Number of shares to be cancelled 11 million shares

(Representing 2.4% of issued shares prior to cancellation)

3. Cancellation date May 31, 2013

(Reference)

- 1. Following cancellation, the Company will have 456,964,635 issued shares.
- 2. Total number of the Company's treasury stock after cancellation will be 5,788,579.

(Expected numbers of shares described above 1 and 2 were calculated on the basis of the issued shares and the Company's treasury stock as of March 31, 2013, respectively.)

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