

News Release

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Execution of Acquisition of the Company's Own Shares

Japan, September 21, 2006 --- Astellas Pharma Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo; President and CEO: Masafumi Nogimori) announced today that it completed acquisition of its own shares in the market, which was resolved by its Board of Directors on August 1, 2006.

Particulars

1. Class of shares acquired: Common stock of the Company

2. Period of acquisition: From August 2, 2006 to September 20, 2006

3. Total number of shares acquired: 14,985,400 shares

4. Total value of acquisition: ¥ 69,911,303,000

5. Method of acquisition: Purchased on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

(Reference)

Resolution of the Board of Directors on August 1, 2006

1. Class of shares to be acquired: Common stock of the Company

2. Number of shares to be acquired: 15 million shares (maximum)

(equivalent to 2.66% of a total of issued shares)

3. Aggregate amount of acquisition cost: ¥ 75 billion (maximum)

4. Period of acquisition: From August 2, 2006 to September 20, 2006

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