

11. Major R&D Pipeline

(1) Neurology

Development Code: E2007 Generic Name: perampanel Product Name: Fycompa				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Antiepileptic agent / AMPA receptor antagonist				Oral
Description: A selective antagonist against the AMPA receptor (a glutamate receptor subtype). Approved as an adjunctive therapy for partial-onset seizures in over 65 countries including Japan, the United States, China and other countries in Europe and in Asia. Approved for monotherapy and adjunctive use in the treatment of partial onset seizures (with or without secondarily generalized seizures) in patients 4 years of age and older in Japan and the United States. Also approved as an adjunctive therapy for primary generalized tonic-clonic seizures in over 65 countries including Japan, the United States, and other countries in Europe and in Asia. In the United States and other countries in Europe, an oral suspension formulation has been approved. A fine granule formulation has been approved in Japan.				
Pediatric epilepsy (Additional Dosage and Administration)	Study 311	EU		Submitted (February, 2019)
Lennox-Gastaut syndrome (Additional Indication)	Study 338	JP/US/EU		PIII

Development Code: ME2125 Generic Name: safinamide Product Name: Equfina				In-license (Meiji Seika Pharma)
Indications / Drug class: Anti-Parkinson's disease agent / MAO-B inhibitor				Oral
Description: A selective monoamine oxidase B (MAO-B) inhibitor, which reduces the degradation of secreted dopamine, helping to maintain the density of dopamine in the brain. Meiji Seika Pharma holds the manufacturing and marketing approval for safinamide in Japan, and Eisai has the exclusive rights to market the safinamide in Japan as well as to develop and market safinamide in Asia.				
Improvement of wearing-off phenomenon in patients with Parkinson's disease	—	South Korea	©	Approved (June, 2020)

Development Code: E2006 Generic Name: lemborexant Product Name: Dayvigo				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Insomnia treatment / Orexin receptor antagonist				Oral
Description: An orexin receptor antagonist that blocks the receptors involved in the regulation of sleep and wakefulness. It is expected to alleviate wakefulness, thereby facilitating onset and maintenance of sleep. It has been approved for the treatment of insomnia characterized by difficulties with sleep onset and/or sleep maintenance in adults in the United States. It has been approved for the treatment of insomnia in Japan. In addition, development for Irregular sleep-wake rhythm disorder and Alzheimer's disease dementia is ongoing.				
Irregular sleep-wake rhythm disorder and Alzheimer's disease dementia (Additional Indication)	Study 202	JP/US		PII

Development Code: BIIB037 Generic Name: aducanumab				Co-development (Biogen Inc.)
Indications / Drug class: Disease modifying treatment for Alzheimer's disease / anti-A β monoclonal antibody				Injection
Description: A human recombinant monoclonal antibody (mAb) that is derived from a de-identified library of B cells collected from healthy elderly subjects with no signs of cognitive impairment or cognitively impaired elderly subjects with unusually slow cognitive decline using Neurimmune's technology platform called Reverse Translational Medicine (RTM). Biogen Inc. licensed aducanumab from Neurimmune. Aducanumab is thought to target aggregated forms of amyloid beta (A β) including soluble oligomers and insoluble fibrils, which can form into amyloid plaque in Alzheimer's disease patients. Biogen Inc. conducted a new analysis of larger dataset after consulting with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regarding the Phase III clinical studies and the submission of Biologics License Application (BLA) to FDA was completed in July 2020. Joint development with Biogen Inc.				
Alzheimer's disease	ENGAGE/ EMERGE Studies	US EU	© ©	Submitted (July, 2020) Preparation for submission

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Development Code: BAN2401				In-license (BioArctic AB)
Indications / Drug class: Disease modifying treatment for Alzheimer's disease / anti-A β protofibril antibody				Injection
Description: An IgG1 antibody that targets amyloid beta (A β) protofibrils. Expected to be effective in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease (AD) by halting disease progression through the elimination of neurotoxic A β protofibrils. Joint development with Biogen. Inc. Phase III clinical study AHEAD 3-45 for preclinical AD was initiated in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Clinical Trials Consortium (ACTC).				
	Early AD	Study 301 (Clarity AD)	JP/US/ EU/CH	PIII
©	Preclinical AD	Study 303 (AHEAD 3-45)	JP/US/EU	PIII

Development Code: E2027				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Treatment for dementia with Lewy bodies / PDE 9 inhibitor				Oral
Description: A selective phosphodiesterase (PDE) 9 inhibitor that reduces the degradation of cyclic GMP, which is critical to signal transmission among cells. Expected to be a new treatment for dementia with Lewy bodies by helping to maintain the concentration of cyclic GMP in the brain.				
	Dementia with Lewy bodies	Study 201 (DELPHIA)	JP/US/EU	PII/III

Development Code: E2730				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Antiepileptic agent, treatment for neurological diseases / synapse function modulator				Oral
Description: A compound with a novel mechanism of action that selectively regulates the function of activated synapses. Expected to be a new treatment for neurological diseases such as epilepsy, including orphan epilepsy and epileptogenesis.				
	Epilepsy	Study 201	US	PII

Development Code: E2814		Collaboration (University College London)	Injection
	Alzheimer's disease	—	US PI

(2) Oncology

Development Code: E7080 Generic Name: lenvatinib Product Name: Lenvima				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / kinase inhibitor				Oral
Description: An orally administered multiple receptor tyrosine kinase (RTK) inhibitor that selectively inhibits the kinase activities of vascular endothelial growth factor receptors (VEGFR) and fibroblast growth factor receptors (FGFR) in addition to other proangiogenic and oncogenic pathway related RTKs (including the platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR), KIT and RET) involved in angiogenesis and tumor proliferation. Discovered and developed in-house. Approved for use in the treatment of thyroid cancer in over 65 countries including Japan, the United States and other countries in Europe and in Asia. Also approved in combination with everolimus for use in the treatment of renal cell carcinoma (second-line) in over 55 countries including the United States and other countries in Europe. The agent is marketed under the product name Kisplyx only for this indication in Europe. Approved for use in the treatment of hepatocellular carcinoma (first-line) in over 65 countries including in Japan, the United States, China and other countries in Europe and in Asia. Approved for use in the treatment of endometrial cancer in combination with pembrolizumab in over 5 countries, including the United States. Joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate.				
Monotherapy, joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate (Additional Indication)				
	Thyroid cancer	Study 303/308	CH	Submitted (accepted November, 2019)
◎	Thymic cancer	NCCCH1508	JP	Submitted (July, 2020)
In combination with anti-PD-1 antibody pembrolizumab, joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate (Additional Indication)				
	Endometrial cancer/Second-line	Study 309	JP/US/EU	PIII
	Hepatocellular carcinoma/First-line	LEAP-002	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
	Melanoma/First-line	LEAP-003	US/EU/CH	PIII
	Nonsquamous non-small cell lung cancer/First-line	LEAP-006	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
	Non-small cell lung cancer, PD-L1 positive/First-line	LEAP-007	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
	Endometrial carcinoma/First-line	LEAP-001	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
	Non-small cell lung cancer/Second-line	LEAP-008	JP/US/EU	PIII
	Bladder cancer, cisplatin-ineligible/First-line	LEAP-011	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
	Head and neck cancer/First-line	LEAP-010	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
◎	Head and neck cancer/Second-line	LEAP-009	US/EU	PII
	Selected solid tumors (Endometrial cancer, renal cell carcinoma, head and neck cancer, urothelial cancer, non-small cell lung cancer and melanoma)	Study 111 —	US/EU JP	PI/II PI
	Melanoma/Second-line	LEAP-004	US/EU	PII
	Selected solid tumors (Triple negative breast cancer, ovarian cancer, gastric cancer, colorectal cancer, glioblastoma and biliary tract cancer)	LEAP-005	US/EU	PII
In combination with anti-PD-1 antibody pembrolizumab and transcatheter arterial chemoembolization, joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate (Additional Indication)				
◎	Hepatocellular carcinoma/First-line	LEAP-012	JP/US/EU/ CH	PIII
In combination with anticancer agent everolimus or anti-PD-1 antibody pembrolizumab, joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate (Additional Indication)				
	Renal cell carcinoma/First-line	Study 307	JP/US/EU	PIII

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In combination with anti-PD-1 antibody nivolumab, joint development with Ono Pharmaceutical (Additional Indication)				
Hepatocellular carcinoma	—	JP		PI

© In July 2020, regarding applications seeking accelerated approval of the combination therapy with pembrolizumab for the first-line treatment of patients with unresectable hepatocellular carcinoma in the United States based on the Study 116 results, a Complete Response Letter (CRL) was received from FDA and therefore were removed from this list.

Development Code: E7389 Generic Name: eribulin Product Name: Halaven				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / microtubule dynamics inhibitor				Injection
Description: A synthetic analog of halichondrin B derived from the marine sponge <i>Halichondria okadai</i> . Shows an antitumor effect by arresting the cell cycle through inhibition of the growth of microtubules. Approved in over 75 countries including Japan, the United States, China and other countries in Europe and in Asia for use in the treatment of breast cancer. Approved in over 65 countries including Japan, the United States and other countries in Europe and in Asia for use in the treatment of liposarcoma (soft tissue sarcoma in Japan).				
Monotherapy (Additional Formulation)				
Liposome formulation	—	JP/EU		PI
In combination with anti-PD-1 antibody pembrolizumab, Joint development with Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, N.J., U.S.A., through an affiliate (Additional Indication)				
Triple negative breast cancer	Study 218	US		PI/II
In combination with anti-PD-1 antibody nivolumab, Joint development with Ono Pharmaceutical (Additional Formulation)				
Liposome formulation	Study 120	JP		PI/II

©The development of the agent in combination with PEGPH20 by Halozyne Therapeutics, Inc. for HER2-negative breast cancer which was in Phase I/II stage in the United States has been finished.

Development Code: E7777 Generic Name: denileukin diftitox (genetic recombinant)				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / a fusion protein that combines the interleukin-2 receptor binding domain with diphtheria toxin fragments				Injection
Description: A fusion protein that combines the interleukin-2 (IL-2) receptor-binding domain with diphtheria toxins. Specifically binds to IL-2 receptors on the cell surface, causing diphtheria toxins that have entered cells to inhibit protein synthesis.				
Peripheral T-cell lymphoma and cutaneous T-cell lymphoma	Study 205	JP		Submitted (March, 2020)

Development Code: E7438 Generic Name: tazemetostat				In-license (Epizyme, Inc.)
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / EZH2 inhibitor				Oral
Description: Believed to have an important role in carcinogenesis, the epigenetic enzyme EZH2 is one of the proteins that constitute the histone methyltransferases. Discovered by Epizyme, Inc. through its proprietary product platform, E7438 is a first-in-class, orally administered small molecule inhibitor, and is expected to exhibit antitumor effects via inhibition of the epigenetic enzyme EZH2. Eisai is responsible for development and commercialization within Japan.				
Non-Hodgkin B-cell lymphoma	Study 206	JP	©	Submitted (June, 2020)

Development Code: MORAb-009 Generic Name: amatuximab				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / chimeric anti-mesothelin monoclonal antibody				Injection
Description: A chimeric IgG1 antibody that targets mesothelin. Expected to show an antitumor effect against cancers that express mesothelin.				
Mesothelioma	Study 003/201	US/EU		PI/II

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Development Code: H3B-6545				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / ER α inhibitor				Oral
Description: An orally administered selective estrogen receptor alpha (ER α) covalent antagonist that inhibits ER α wild type / ER α mutant. Expected to show an antitumor effect against ER positive / HER2 negative breast cancers.				
	Breast cancer	Study 101	US/EU	PI/II
	Breast cancer (in combination with CDK4/6 inhibitor palbociclib)	—	US/EU	PI

Development Code: E7090				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Anticancer agent / FGFR1,2,3 inhibitor				Oral
Description: An orally administered fibroblast growth factor receptors (FGFR1, FGFR2, FGFR3) selective tyrosine kinase inhibitor. Phase II for unresectable cholangiocarcinoma (one of biliary tract cancers) with FGFR2 gene fusion is ongoing. It has been granted the SAKIGAKE designation by Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare for the treatment of unresectable biliary tract cancer with FGFR2 gene fusion.				
	Cholangiocarcinoma	Study 201	JP/CH	PII

Development Code: H3B-6527				In-house	Oral
	Hepatocellular carcinoma	—	US/EU	PI	

Development Code: H3B-8800				In-house	Oral
	Blood cancer	—	US/EU	PI	

Development Code: E7386				Collaboration (PRISM BioLab)	Oral
	Solid tumors	—	JP/EU	PI	
	Solid tumors (in combination with lenvatinib)	—	JP	PI	

Development Code: MORAb-202				In-house	Injection
	Solid tumors	—	JP	PI	
©	Solid tumors	—	US	PI/II	

Development Code: E7130				Collaboration (Harvard University)	Injection
	Solid tumors	—	JP	PI	

Development Code: E7766				In-house	Liquid
	Solid tumors	—	US/EU	PI	

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(3) Gastrointestinal Disorders

Development Code: AJM300 Generic Name: carotegrast methyl				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Ulcerative colitis treatment / α 4 integrin antagonist				Oral
Description: α 4 integrin antagonist with a novel mechanism of action believed to suppress adhesion and infiltration of lymphocytes. Aiming to be marketed as the first orally-available α 4 integrin antagonist in the world to be effective in ulcerative colitis. Joint development by EA Pharma and Kissei Pharmaceutical.				
Ulcerative colitis	—	JP		PIII

Development Code: E6007 Generic Name: milategrast				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Ulcerative colitis treatment / integrin activation inhibitor				Oral
Description: A compound with a novel mechanism of action that is believed to suppress the adhesion and infiltration of multiple leukocyte types by inhibiting integrin activation. EA Pharma aims for commercialization jointly with the University of Tsukuba as an industry-academia practical application project under the Japan Science and Technology Agency. Development conducted by EA Pharma.				
Ulcerative colitis	Study 201	JP		PII

Development Code: E3112		In-house	Injection
Liver disease (Development conducted by EA Pharma)	—	JP	PI

(4) Other

Development Code: E5564 Generic Name: eritoran				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Suppression for increasing of severity of COVID-19/ TLR4 antagonist				Injection
Description: Eritoran is a TLR (Toll-Like Receptor) 4 antagonist created with natural product organic synthesis technology. It is a structural analogue of Lipid A which is an activator of endotoxins of bacteria. It is expected to suppress inflammation and increasing in severity caused by COVID-19 by inhibiting the activation of TLR4, which is found in the most upstream position of various cytokine gene expression signaling that causes the cytokine-storm. Development is in collaboration with GCAR (Global Coalition for Adaptive Research).				
©	Suppression for increasing of severity of COVID-19	REMAP-COVID	US	PIII

Development Code: E6011 Generic Name: quetmolimab				In-house
Indications / Drug class: Crohn's disease / Anti-humanized monoclonal fractalkine antibody				Injection
Description: The world's first humanized anti-fractalkine monoclonal antibody discovered by the Eisai Group subsidiary KAN Research Institute Inc. Expected to exert an anti-inflammatory effect by neutralizing fractalkine. Fractalkine is found in vascular endothelial cells and induces an inflammatory response associated with diseases such as inflammatory bowel disease. Development conducted by EA Pharma.				
	Crohn's disease	Study ET2	JP/EU	PII

Development Code: E6742		In-house	Oral
Autoimmune disease	—	US	PI