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Shonan iPark Unveils 400-Meter Artistic Transformation: Where Science Meets Art in Everyday

- As part of the Art Project Phase 1, 20 paintings are exhibited on the walls of the 400meter main corridor (commonly known as "Broadway") at Shonan iPark.
- Providing an environment where researchers can regularly touch with art. As part of the Art Project, an event titled "Science x Art: Nurturing Innovation" will be held on April 10th.

iPark Institute Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Fujisawa City, Kanagawa Prefecture, CEO: Toshio Fujimoto, hereinafter "iPark Institute"), in collaboration with AG Holdings Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Chiyodaku, Tokyo, President & CEO: Tetsuji Shibayama, hereinafter "AG Holdings"), has initiated the "Shonan iPark Art Project" at Shonan Health Innovation Park (hereinafter "Shonan iPark").

Since its establishment, Shonan iPark has aimed for "Bring innovative ideas to society" and has been working to create an environment where various players involved in life sciences can create innovation. As part of this initiative, we have launched the "Shonan iPark Art Project," aiming to build a more sophisticated innovative environment leveraging the power of art.

In the first phase of the art project, we have permanently installed 20 paintings along the main corridor (commonly named "Broadway," approximately 400 meters long) at Shonan iPark, a space regularly traversed by 2,500 employees.

Art is said to broaden perspectives, stimulate imagination, and bring new insights, and many research institutes and universities around the world have permanent installations of artworks such as paintings and sculptures. Through this project, by adorning the daily spaces of researchers who explore innovation with art, we hope to add the essence of art to the life science ecosystem of Shonan iPark and activate open innovation.





As part of this project, we will hold art-related events throughout the year. The first event will be held exclusively for tenants or member companies of Shonan iPark, with the following outline:

Title: "Science x Art: Nurturing Innovation" Date and Time: April 10, 2024, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Location: Shonan iPark Art Navigator: Mr. Tetsuji Shibayama, President & CEO of AG Holdings Co., Ltd.

For subsequent events, announcements will be made on Shonan iPark official website and social media channels.

About iPark Institute Co., Ltd.

iPark Institute Co., Ltd. was established in 2023 with Industrial & Infrastructure Fund Investment Corporation (IIF), Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited (Takeda), and Mitsubishi Corporation as major shareholders. It took over the management of Shonan Health Innovation Park (Fujisawa City, Kanagawa Prefecture) in 2023, which Takeda has been responsible for since 2018. For more information about our company, please <u>click</u><u>here</u>.

About Shonan Health Innovation Park (Shonan iPark)

Shonan iPark is Japan's first pharmaceutical-initiated science park, created by Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited in April 2018 by opening its own research laboratories to the outside world. Currently operated by iPark Institute Co., Ltd. independent of Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Limited, the park aims to become a place where industry, government, and academia from a wide range of industries and sizes can come together to accelerate health innovation. Currently, the ecosystem is comprised of not only pharmaceutical companies, but also companies and organizations in nextgeneration medicine, cellular agriculture, AI, and government, with approximately 170 companies and more

than 2,500 people (as of March 2024).

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About AG Holdings Co., Ltd.

Since established in 2006, AG Holdings Co., Ltd. offers CSR consulting specializing in culture and the arts for corporations and foundations. They focus on planning, operating CSR activities, and managing corporate art collections. Committed to nurturing Japan's cultural scene, they collaborate with corporations, universities, foundations, and collectors to support young artists.

Additionally, AG Holdings Co., Ltd. is involved in various events such as auctions related to culture and the arts, as well as the planning, production, and operation of lectures, seminars, and other events. They also manage art galleries and museums within spaces and facilities owned by corporations, foundations, and other organizations. For more information, please visit https://www.aq-h.net/.

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