

## Financial Overview for the Interim Period Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2005

Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

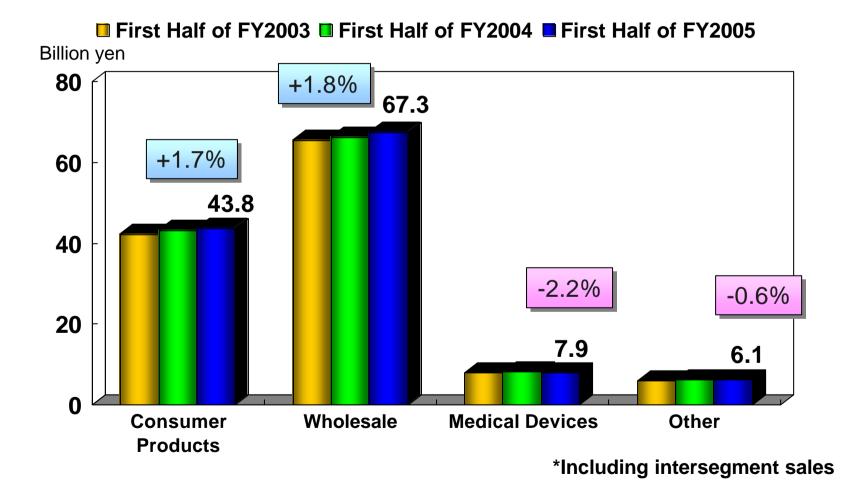
President and COO

Yutaka Kobayashi

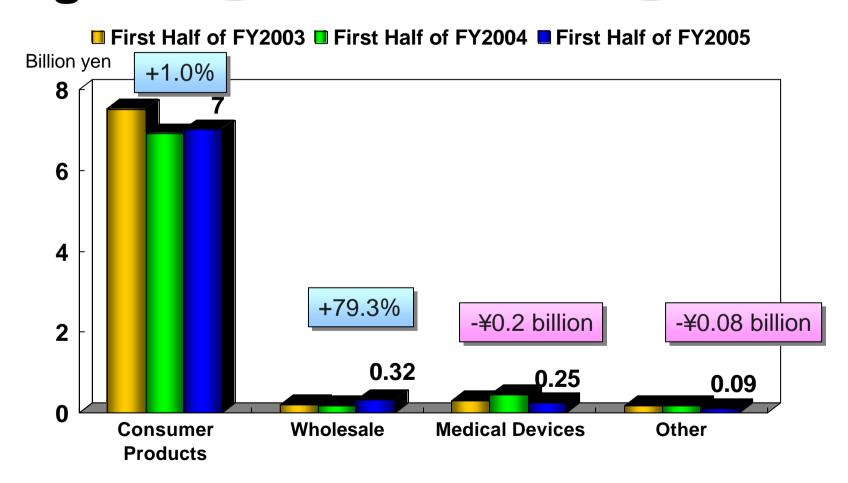
#### Financial Highlights (consolidated basis)

	First Half of FY2004		First Half of FY2005		Change	
	Amount	Profit rate	Amount	Profit rate	Amount	% change
	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%
Net sales	108,386	-	109,907	-	1,521	+1.4
Operating income	7,838	7.2	7,824	7.1	(13)	-0.2
Ordinary income	7,011	6.5	7,046	6.4	34	+0.5
Interim net income	3,357	3.1	3,732	3.4	374	+11.2
EPS (yen)	79.5	-	89.6	-	10.1	+12.8

#### Trend of Sales by Segment

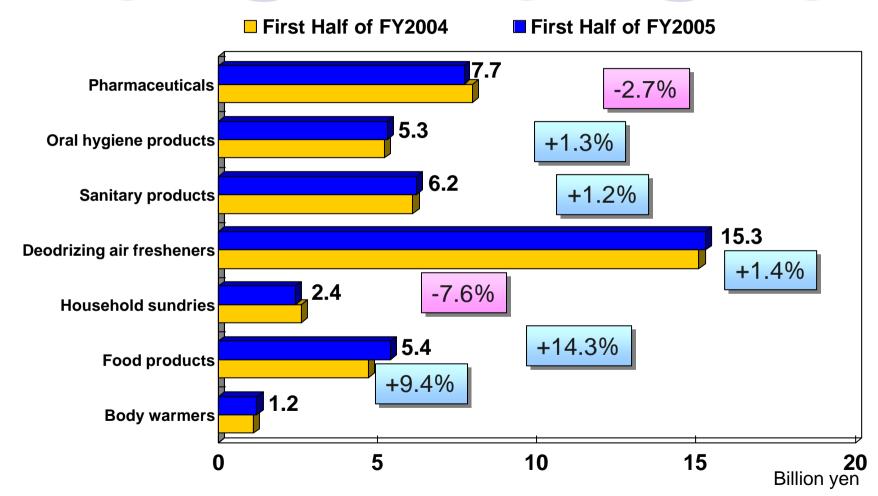


## Trend of Operating Income by Segment



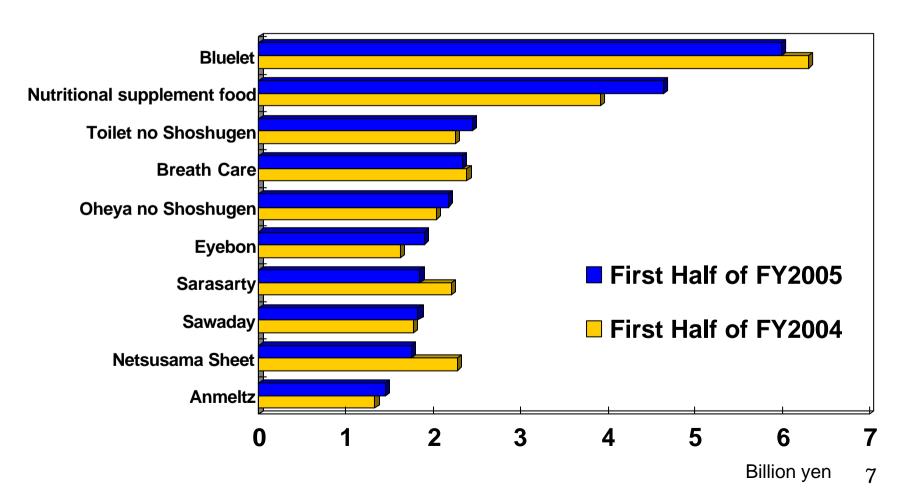


## Consumer Products Operation Sales by Product Category



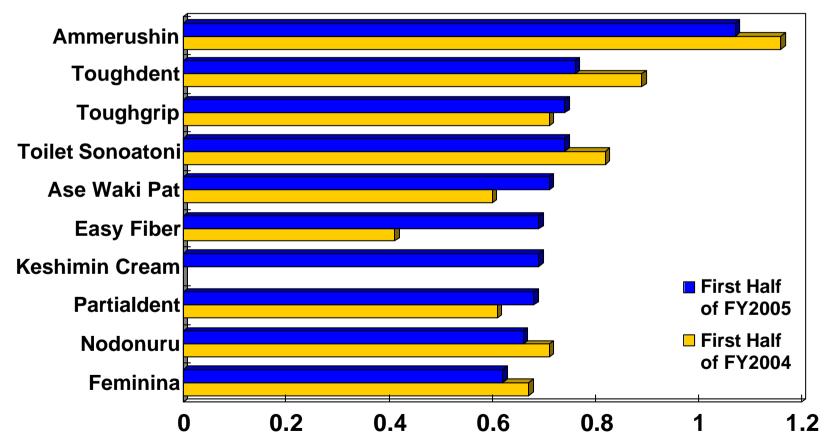
#### Sales by Brand (non-consolidated)

Top 10 brands accounted for 56.1% of sales and their sales increased 1% compared with the same period of the previous year.



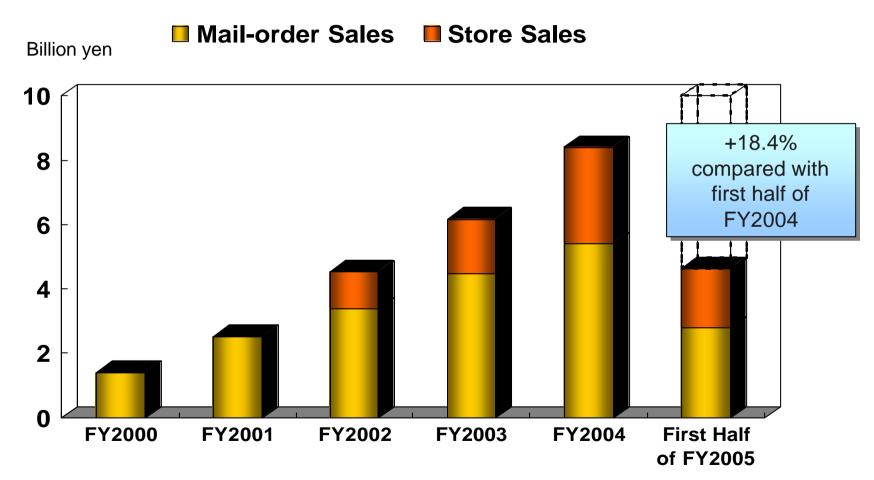
#### Sales by Brand (non-consolidated)

Top 20 brands accounted for 71.8% and their sales increased 3.2% compared with the same period of the previous year.



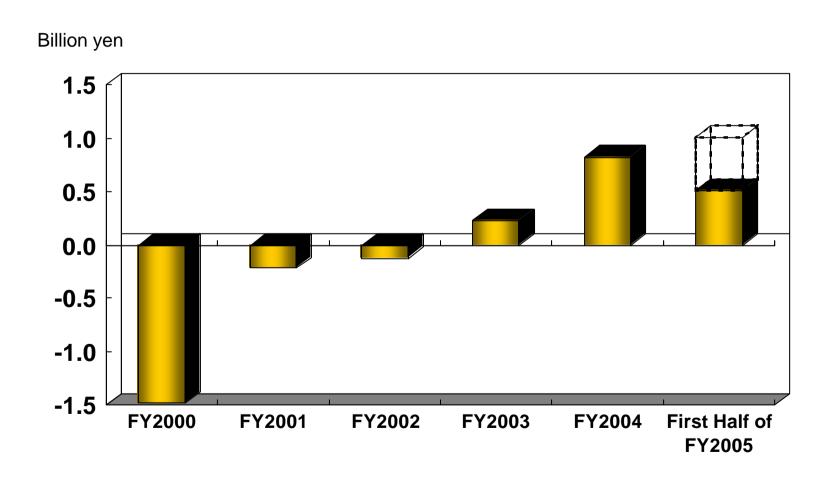
Billion yen

## Nutritional Supplement Food Sales Trend



Number of items handled: 87 as of November 2004

## Nutritional Supplement Food Ordinary Income Trend



#### 8,300 Priority Stores and 192 Priority Retailers

#### Sales & marketing geared to creation of innovative store environments delivering a pleasurable customer experience

Category Champion in October

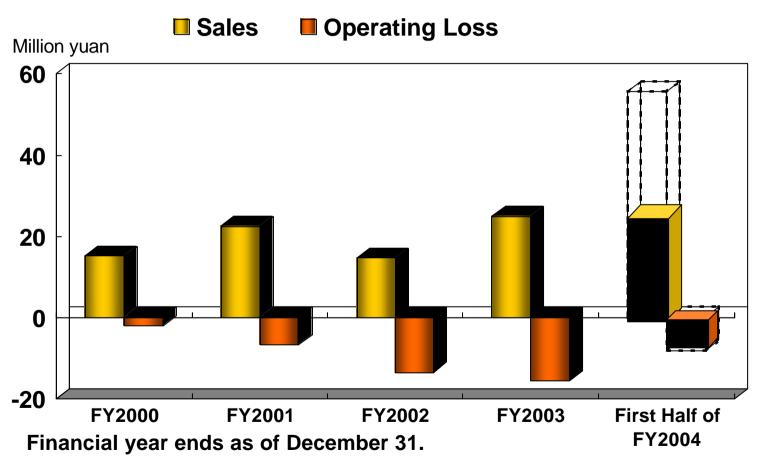




**Awarding Category Champions** 

Implementing proposals of excellent store environments to sales staff nationwide

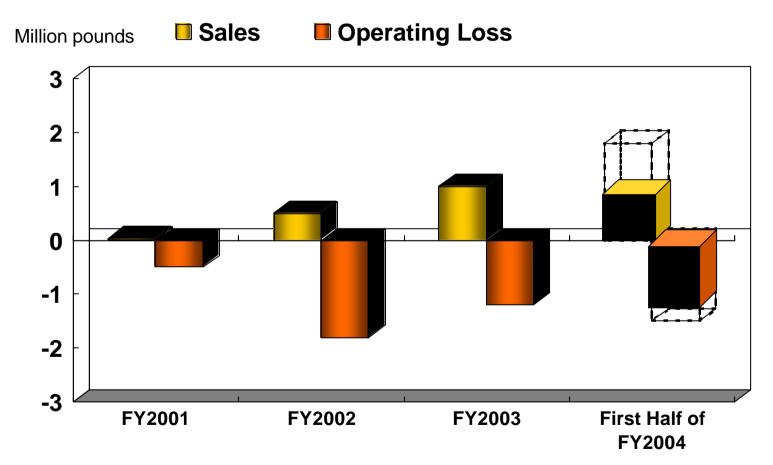
#### **Results of Overseas Subsidiaries: China**



<sup>\*</sup> Including exports to Japan and other markets

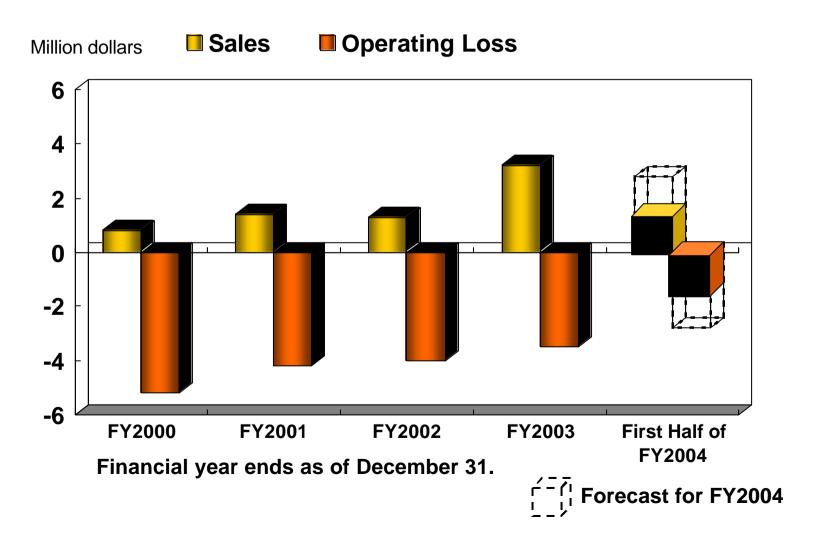
Forecast for FY2004

#### Results of Overseas Subsidiaries: UK



Financial year ends as of December 31.

#### Results of Overseas Subsidiaries: US





#### **Alliances with Other Companies**

#### March 22: Business partnership with Mitsubishi Corp. and Ryoshoku

Introduction of innovative wholesale management know-how

Proposal of healthcare products to supermarket chains and convenience store chains

Cultivation of new merchandise

Provision of logistics know-how

Provision of comprehensive retail support know-how, etc.

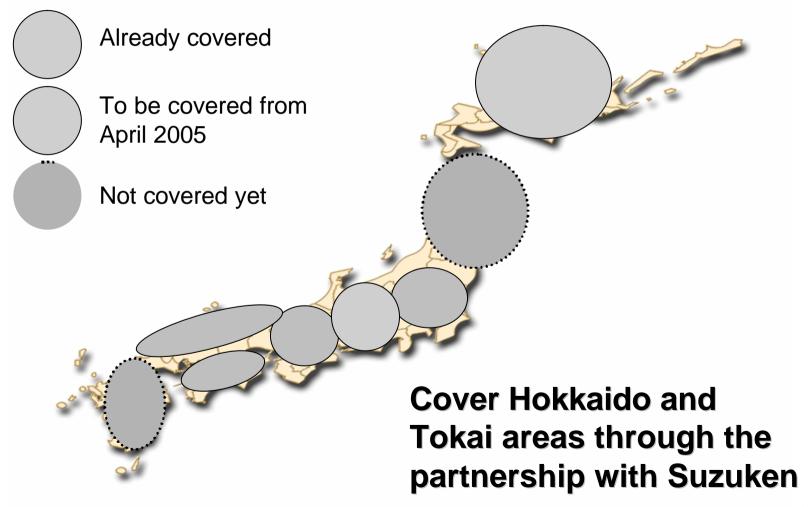
#### September 22: Business and capital partnership with Suzuken

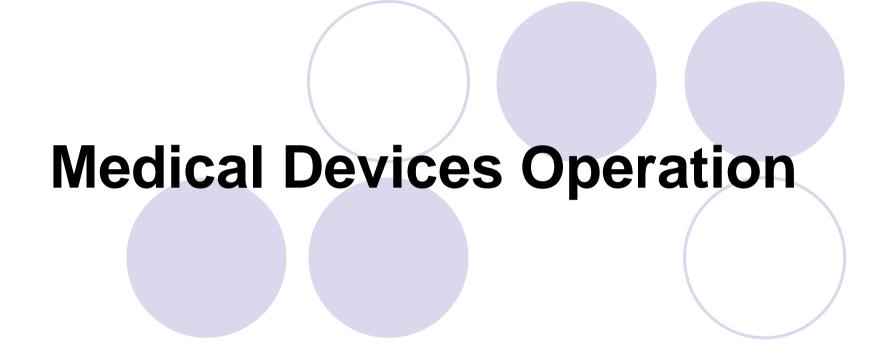
Entry to Hokkaido and Tokai, which are new regions for Kobasyou Suzuken to focus on ethical drugs



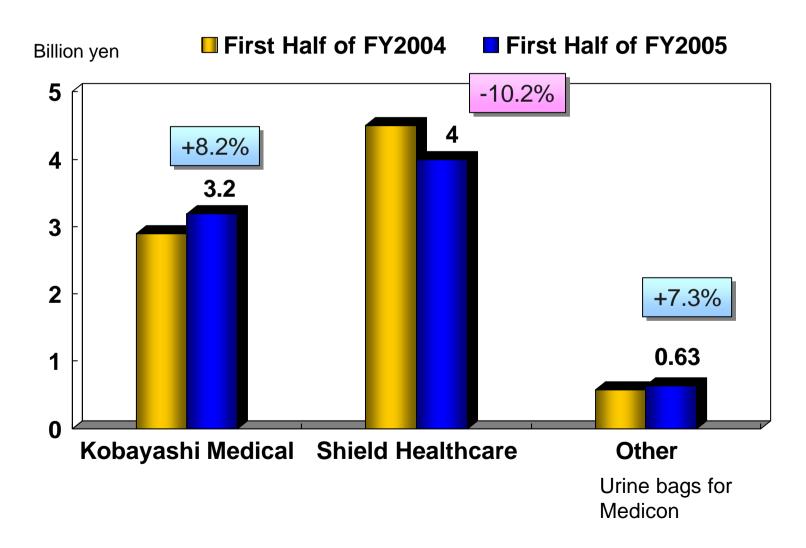
Securing a position as an H&BC (health & beauty care) wholesaler with nationwide coverage and sales of ¥300 billion

#### **Expansion of Geographical Coverage**

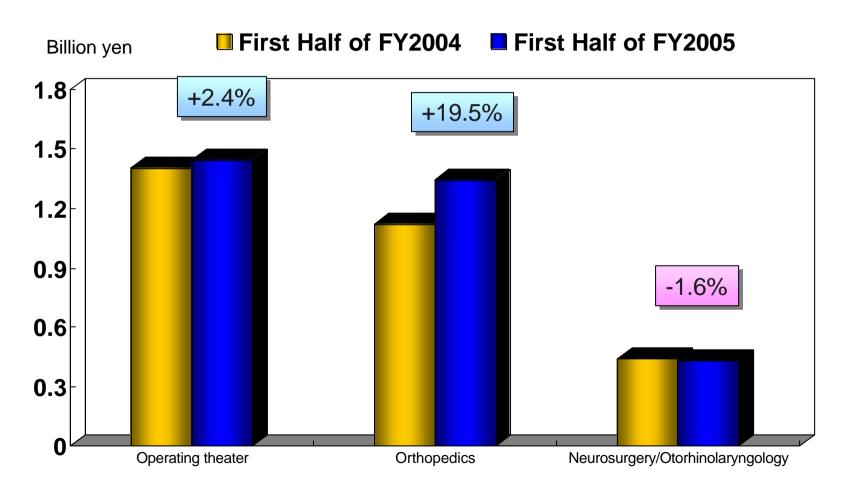




#### Medical Devices Operation Breakdown of Sales



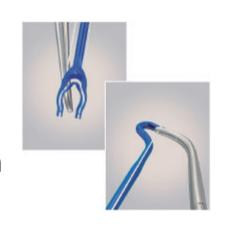
## Kobayashi Medical Sales by Application



## Commercialization of Products Developed in House

The first Kobamed-brand product

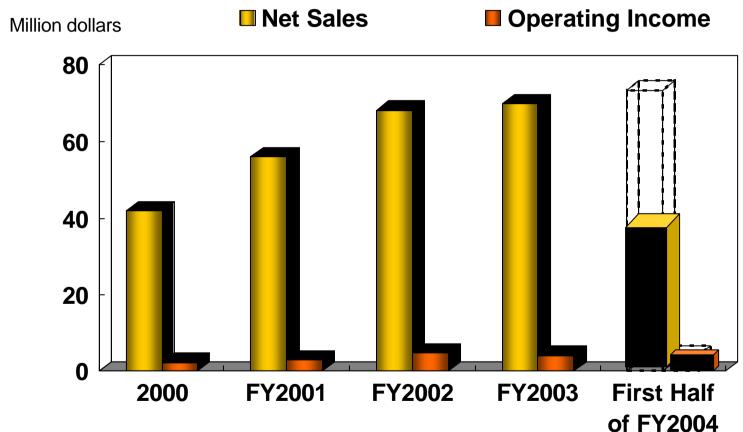
Introduced on April 14, 2004
A medical device that facilitates ligation
(binding blood vessels with a ligature)



Used mainly in urology for removal of kidney, prostate, bladder, etc.



#### Shield Healthcare Financial Performance



Financial year ends as of December 31.

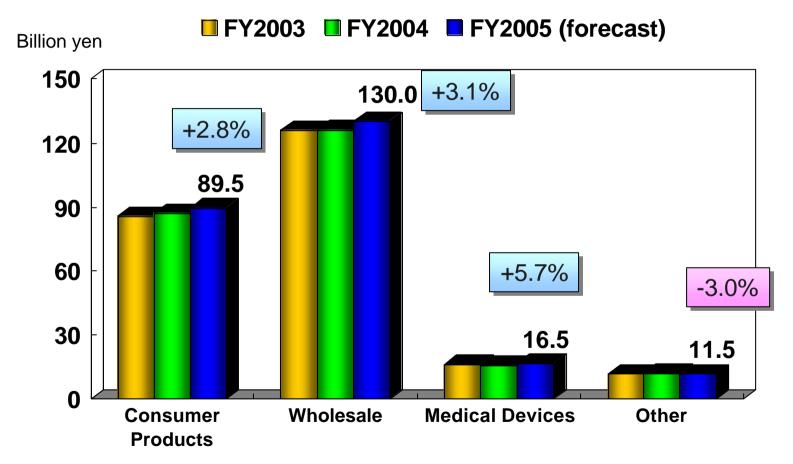


# Forecast of the Full-year Results

## Financial Highlights for the Full Year on a Consolidated Basis

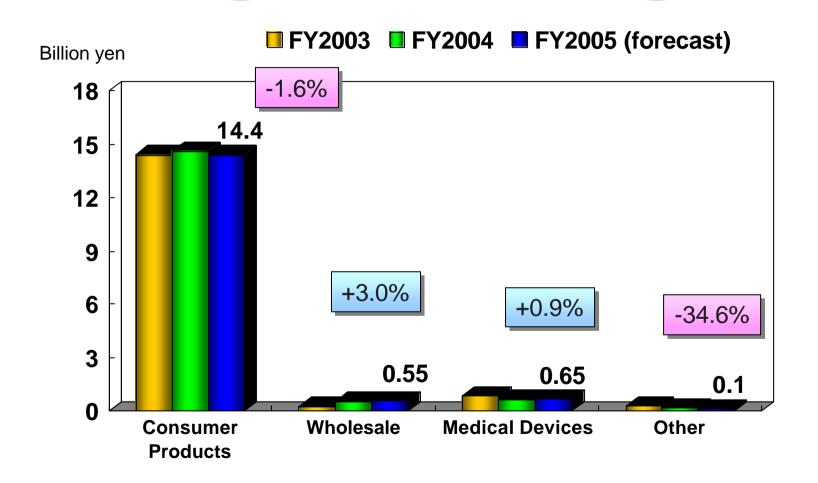
	FY2004		FY2005 (forecast)		Change	
	Amount	Profit rate	Amount	Profit rate	Amount	% change
Net sales	Million yen	%	Million yen	%	Million yen	%
	211,670	-	217,000	-	5,330	+2.5
Operating income	16,123	7.6	15,800	7.3	(323)	-2.0
Ordinary income	14,127	6.7	13,800	6.4	(327)	-2.3
Net income	6,677	3.2	6,800	3.1	123	+1.8
EPS (yen)	157.3	-	162.4	-	5.1	+3.2

#### Trend of Sales by Segment



<sup>\*</sup> Including intersegment sales

#### **Trend of Operating Income by Segment**



## Performance of New Products Introduced in Fall 2004



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#### **Category Champion in October**







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## Kobayashi Pharmaceutical Group's New Management

#### **New Management**

#### **Challenging New Growth**

Persistent development of new products

Big-company disease concerning development, lack of devotion to development themes

Moving away from dependence on survey results and subcontracted developers

Strong will, hypothesis Survey "Voice of Customer"

Pursuit of sales growth strategy

Fusion of internal resources (in-house development) and exte

Globalization

Success in China, the UK and the US

#### **New Management**

## Challenging New Growth Fostering New Kobayashi Spirit

- Assignment of authority and fulfillment of obligations
- Fusion of top-down and bottom-up approaches
- Fostering of human resources

# Mid-term Strategies of Operations

#### Focus on Healthcare

Determine the growth field of the Consumer Products Operation to be healthcare category. (OTC, oral hygiene products, food products)



Focus on drugstore chains and development of anti-aging products

#### Measures for Drugs (OTC)

- Development of products with novel efficacy
- Development of "switch OTC" drugs
- \* Switch OTC: OTC drugs previously categorized as ethical drugs only available with prescriptions





## As the No. 1 Deodorizing Air Fresheners Manufacturer

Development of products with something new

Pursuit of fragrance as the No. 1 manufacturer of fragrant air fresheners

Shift away from conventional air fresheners

- Fostering of existing brands
- Speedy development of counter products

#### Global Strategy: China, UK, and US

 Achieving profits in all three regions within 3 years

Thorough localization

Adoption of an advertising approach corresponding to regional characteristics, shifting away from over-reliance on pull-type advertising (TV commercials)

**Alliances and M&A** 

Effective utilization of sales promotions by developing brands

- Asia (China) is the priority target
- Setting of clear targets

#### **Measures for the China Market**

- Expansion of geographical coverage
- Introduction of additional items

Development of new products based on concepts attuned to the local market

#### Measures for the Manufacturing Operation

- Establishment of the Kobayashi-style manufacturing system (KPS)
- Cost reduction of more than ¥1.2 billion per year

Rationalization, in-house manufacturing, overseas strategies (overseas procurement and overseas production)

The third main production base: Shanghai Plant

Production of products whose raw materials can be procured locally

#### As the No. 1 Body Warmer Manufacturer

- Expansion of the Puripoka brand in eastern Japan
- Recapturing of the No. 1 market share for foot warmers
- Establishment of a follow-up system for individual outlets nationwide
- Thorough cost reduction

#### **Expansion of the Scale of the Wholesale Operation**

- Entry to Tohoku and Kyushu, the regions not covered by Kobayashi yet
- Introduction of health food products to dispensing pharmacies
- Fostering of proprietary products and their manufacturers
- Cultivation of new products through partnership with Mitsubishi Group

#### **Cost Reduction at the Wholesale Operation**

- Reduction of logistics costs
- Collection of data fees from manufacturers
- Reduction of the ratio of labor costs
- Enrichment of retail support functions

### **Environment of the Medical Devices Operation**

April 2005: Revised Pharmaceutical Affairs Law to come into effect

Strict quality control and safety concerning medical devices Traceability

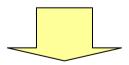
 Reform of the healthcare system and change of the legal status to independent administrative corporations

**Reduction of healthcare costs** 

Revision of hospital classification: Beds for general patients and beds for nursing

Transformation of the perspective of hospital management (pursuit of efficiency)

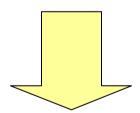
Vision of the medical devices sector (shift away from dependence on imports)



Changes in the environment create the best opportunities for the Medical Devices Operation

#### Kobayashi Medical's Policy

As a complex entity with manufacturer functions and trading company functions, contribute to enhancement of the quality of medical treatment and patients' quality of life (QOL)



Providing "Safety and Peace of Mind" in the medical sphere

## In-house Product Development and Focus on the Orthopedics Field

Provision of medical devices attuned to the needs of Japanese people, diffusion of correct techniques and introduction of differentiated products