

PRESS RELEASE

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Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Announces Its New Structure for Members of the Board

TOKYO, January 31, 2022 – Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (“Ajinomoto Co.”) preliminary approved the following new structure for Members of the Board, which is to be inaugurated in late June 2022, at a Board of Directors’ Meeting held on January 31, 2022, based on reporting by its Nomination Committee, which is chaired by an Independent Outside Director. This appointment will be effective upon approval at a Board of Directors’ Meeting to be held after the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Ajinomoto Co. in late June 2022.

【As of late June】 Members of the Board

Classification	New Position	Current Position	Name
Independent Outside Director	Member of the Board, Chair of the Board, Member of the Nomination Committee, Member of the Compensation Committee	Member of the Board, Chair of the Board, Member of the Nomination Committee, Member of the Compensation Committee	Kimie Iwata
	Member of the Board, Chair of the Nomination Committee, Member of the Compensation Committee	Member of the Board, Chair of the Nomination Committee, Member of the Compensation Committee	Takashi Nawa
	Member of the Board, Chair of the Compensation Committee, Member of the Nomination Committee	Member of the Board, Chair of the Compensation Committee, Member of the Nomination Committee	Joji Nakayama
	Member of the Board, Chair of the Audit Committee	Member of the Board, Chair of the Audit Committee	Atsushi Toki
	Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Mami Indo
	Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Outside Director Outside Statutory Auditor of KOBAYASHI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD., Outside Statutory Auditor Outside Director of Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd.(※revised on Feb.1, 2022)	Yoko Hatta (Newly appointed)
Internal Director	Member of the Board, Representative Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Member of the Nomination Committee	Executive Officer & Senior Vice President, General Manager, Food Products Division	Taro Fujie (Newly appointed)
	Member of the Board, Representative Executive Officer & Executive Vice President,	Executive Officer & Senior Vice President, Chief Innovation Officer (CIO),	Hiroshi Shiragami (Newly appointed)

	Chief Innovation Officer (CIO), Supervision of R&D	Supervision of R&D	
	Member of the Board, Executive Officer & Senior Vice President, In charge of diversity and HR, Member of the Nomination Committee	Member of the Board, Executive Officer & Senior Vice President, In charge of diversity and HR, Member of the Nomination Committee	Chiaki Nosaka
	Member of the Board, Executive Officer & Senior Vice President, General Manager, Global Corporate Division and Corporate Service Division	Executive Officer & Vice President, General Manager, Latin America Division	Tatsuya Sasaki (Newly appointed)
	Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Masaya Tochio

【As of late June】 Retiring Directors

Current Position	Name
Member of the Board, Member of the Nomination Committee	Takaaki Nishii
Member of the Board	Hiroshi Fukushi
Member of the Board	Kaoru Kurashima
Member of the Board, Member of the Audit Committee	Hideki Amano

The Ajinomoto Group, unlocking the power of amino acids, aims to resolve food and health issues associated with dietary habits and aging, and contribute to greater wellness for people worldwide.

Based on the corporate message of “Eat Well, Live Well,” we have been scientifically pursuing the possibilities of amino acids to aim for future growth by creating new value through sustainable and innovative solutions for communities and society.

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