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—Development of Breast Cancer Screening Equipment Using Medical Ultrasound Technology—
Fuyo Lease Forms Capital and Business Alliance with Lily MedTech, a Venture Company originated from the University of Tokyo, inventing a Breast Cancer Screening Equipment

1. Fuyo Lease has formed a capital and business alliance with Lily MedTech, a breast cancer screening equipment development venture originating from the University of Tokyo, with the view to developing leasing, rental, and other schemes and promoting sales of the equipment.
2. We believe that this screening equipment has great social significance, since it will contribute to increase breast cancer screening rate, and reduce the number of women who suffer from breast cancer.

Fuyo General Lease Co., Ltd. (“Fuyo Lease”; Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; Yasunori Tsujita, President & Chief Executive Officer) has acquired third-party allotment shares issued by Lily MedTech Inc. (“Lily MedTech”; Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo; Shiho Azuma, Representative Director and CEO) to form a capital and business alliance under which Fuyo Lease will provide financial support for the promotion of breast cancer screening equipment under development by Lily MedTech.

Lily MedTech is an industry-academia venture company originating from the University of Tokyo. It is developing breast cancer screening equipment utilizing medical ultrasound technology jointly with the University of Tokyo, aiming to launch the sale of the equipment by fiscal 2020.

Reference: Breast cancer screening equipment under development



The screening equipment is in the form of a bed. The patient is examined by placing her breast in a cup in the center of the bed. A ring-shaped echography device surrounds the breast from a 360-degree angle, and measures and visualizes it by moving up and down. This eliminates two of the challenges to current breast cancer screenings: the physical and mental strain women undergo during screening, and dependency on the skills of the screening technician and the person interpreting the results. At the same time, while it is difficult for mammography to detect cancer in patients with dense mammary glands, which is more common in the Japanese population, this new equipment will be capable of detecting cancer in such patients with a high degree of accuracy.

In the new medium-term management plan “Frontier Expansion 2021” launched in 2017, Fuyo Lease identifies medical/social welfare services as a strategic business area, and has expanded this area by investing in companies dealing in medical treatment fee factoring, surgical assistance robots, purchase and sale of used medical devices, and glaucoma screening equipment.

Fuyo Lease remains committed to contributing to the development of medical/social welfare services by being actively involved in future-linking technologies and socially significant businesses through such means as leasing and financing.

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