

## Jouhou Koukai completes the Japan Approvals Database (JAD)

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Jouhou Koukai Publishing, a member of the Jouhou Koukai Group, today announced the completion of the sixth year of the Japan Approvals Database (JAD).

The JAD is the only English-language database containing key information on over 300 medicinal products for human use approved in Japan, and featuring:

- The JAD database contains data on the medicinal products approved in Japan by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare for last 6 years from 1999 to present. The latest issue of the JAD is for October 2004.
- There are four categories of regulated medicinal products in Japan: drugs, medical devices, quasi-drugs and cosmetics. The JAD database contains data on "drugs" category - pharmaceutical, biologicals, contrast media and combination products.
- •The medicinal products are approved by the Japanese pharmaceutical regulatory authorities in four rounds annually: January, April, July and October. The new issues of the JAD follow the same pattern. The new data are added to the database within a week after the approval.
- The entry for each entry of the database contains the following information: maker/importer, brand name, generic name, formulation, packaging, doses, name of generics variants, co-marketer/co-promoters, availability of package insert (PI), approval review (AR), regulatory category (RC) and Summary Basis of Approval (SBA), and comments (if applicable).
- The JAD is searchable in two different ways: from the search engine of the JKS Group web sites available for all users and visitors, and from the JAD-only search facility available only to the JAD subscribers.

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