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## **News Release**

## Tsumura Establishes a Subsidiary for Botanicals Business in Hokkaido

Tsumura & Co. (Headquarters: Tokyo, President: Junichi Yoshii) announces that it has decided to establish a subsidiary in Yubari City to manage its production, processing and storage operations of botanical raw materials for Kampo preparation in Hokkaido. The details are as follows:

1. Background of the establishment of a subsidiary

Tsumura has been examining specific measures for its initiatives, as announced on April 16, 2009 in "Tsumura Establishes Production, Processing and Storage Facility for botanical raw materials for Kampo Preparation in Yubari City, Hokkaido."

As a result, it has decided to establish a subsidiary to effectively manage production, processing and storage operations of botanical raw materials for Kampo preparation in Hokkaido.

- 2. Profile of the subsidiary to be established
- (1) Company name: YUBARI TSUMURA & CO., LTD.
- (2) Representative: Masahiro Nishimura
- (3) Address: Yubari City, Hokkaido
- (4) Founded: July 1, 2009 (plan)
- (5) Main businesses: Production, processing and storage operations of botanical raw materials for Kampo preparation
- (6) Capital: 30 million yen
- (7) Shareholders: TSUMURA & CO. (100%)
- 3. Future schedule (plan)

July 2009: Opening of an office (in Yubari Citizen Hall)

October 2009: Commencement of cultivation of botanical raw materials in its own farm

October 2010: Establishment of a processing plant and a storage warehouse for botanical raw materials, and an office