



Transfer of contact lens operations

Asahi Kasei Aime, a wholly owned subsidiary of Asahi Kasei Pharma, has signed an agreement with CooperVision, Inc. on the transfer of its operations for sale and R&D of contact lenses and related products to Aime Corp., a company to be newly established in Japan by CooperVision.

After this transfer, Asahi Kasei Aime will continue to manufacture contact lenses and related products.

Subject to transfer: Asahi Kasei Aime's sale and R&D operations for contact lenses

and contact lens care products, including relevant assets

Scheduled date of transfer: December 1, 2010

About CooperVision, Inc.

CooperVision, a unit of The Cooper Companies, Inc. (NYSE: COO), is the world's third largest manufacturer of contact lenses, with revenue of US\$910 million in fiscal 2009.