#### **Research and Development at JT's Pharmaceutical Business**

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## R&D Strategy

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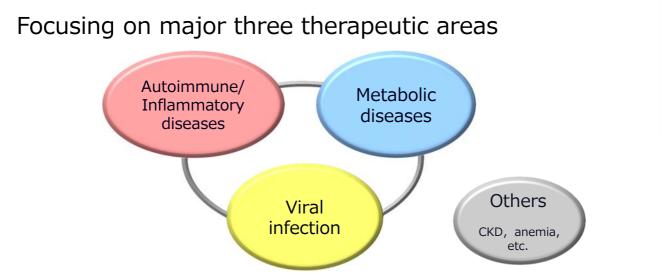
## Locations of R&D facilities



## New Drugs Approved in Recent Years

Drug and indication	Year of approval
Stribild Combination Tablets HIV infections HIV integrase inhibitor, elvitegravir (+ cobicistat, FTC and TDF)	Overseas (2012)/Japan (2013) Overseas: Out-licensed to Gilead Sciences
Genvoya Combination Tablets HIV infections HIV integrase inhibitor, elvitegravir (+ cobicistat, FTC and TAF)	Overseas (2015)/Japan (2016) Overseas: Out-licensed to Gilead Sciences
Mekinist Tablets BRAF mutation-positive melanoma MEK inhibitor, trametinib	Overseas (2013)/Japan (2016) Worldwide: Out-licensed to GlaxoSmithKline (transferred to Novartis since 2015)
Riona Tablets Hyperphosphatemia in chronic renal diseases Ferric citrate	Japan (2014)

### Current Focus Area



- Conducting R&D on diseases having strong Unmet Medical Needs based on the future treatment paradigm (to be explained later).
- New drug targets:
  - Selecting new drug targets based on deep understanding of pathology of target diseases.
  - Setting target product profiles (TPPs) focused on differentiation from existing therapies.
  - ✓ Pursuing best practices by utilizing all available resources.

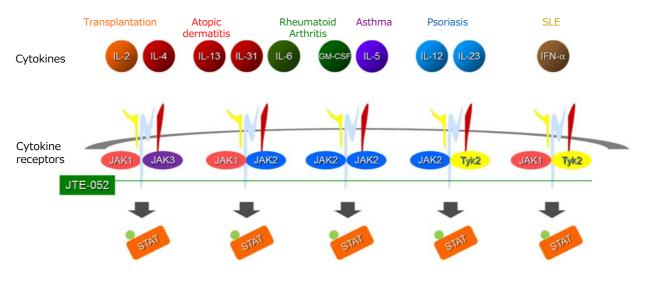
### **R&D** Pipeline

Area	Code	Mechanism	Discovery / Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	NDA
Autoimmune/ inflammatory diseases	JTE-052	JAK inhibitor					Japan:Ph3 Overseas:LEO
	JTE-051	ITK inhibitor				Overseas	
	JTE-451	RORy antagonist			Overseas		
	Early prog	grams					
Metabolic	JTT-251	PDHK inhibitor			Overseas		
	Early prog	grams					
Viral infection	JTK-351	HIV Integrase inhibitor			Japan		
	Early prog	jrams					
Others	JTT-751	Oral iron replacement				Japan	
	JTZ-951	HIF-PH inhibitor				Japan:Ph2 Overseas:Ph1	
	Early prog	grams					
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### JTE-052

#### ■ JAK inhibitor

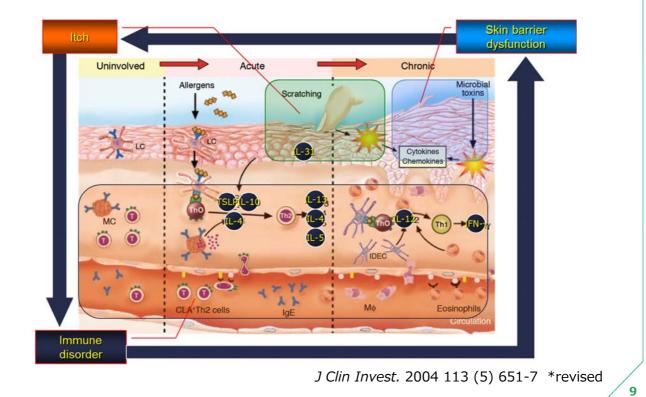
Cytokines trigger a variety of pathological conditions by activating the JAK-STAT pathway.



JTE-052 is expected to be effective as treatment for a variety of allergic and autoimmune diseases such as atopic dermatitis.

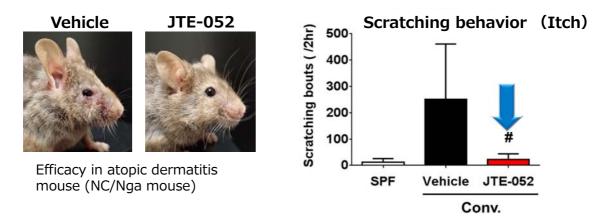
# Pathological Conditions of Atopic Dermatitis

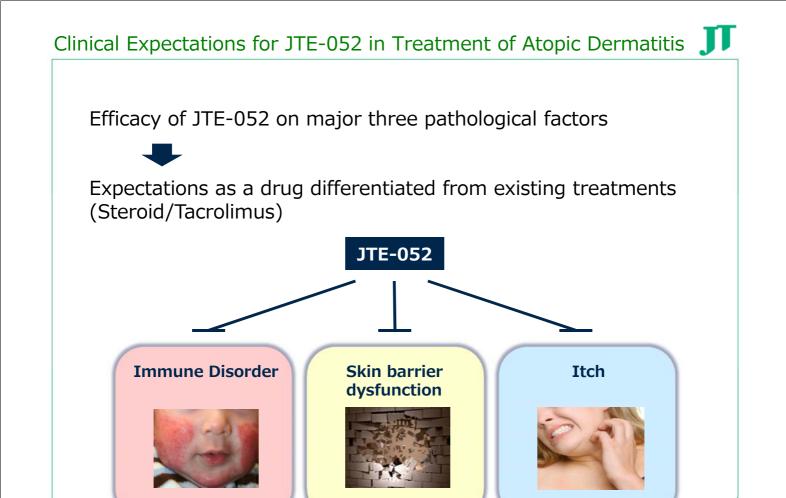
Three major factors aggravate and escalate pathological conditions by creating a vicious circle via cytokines.

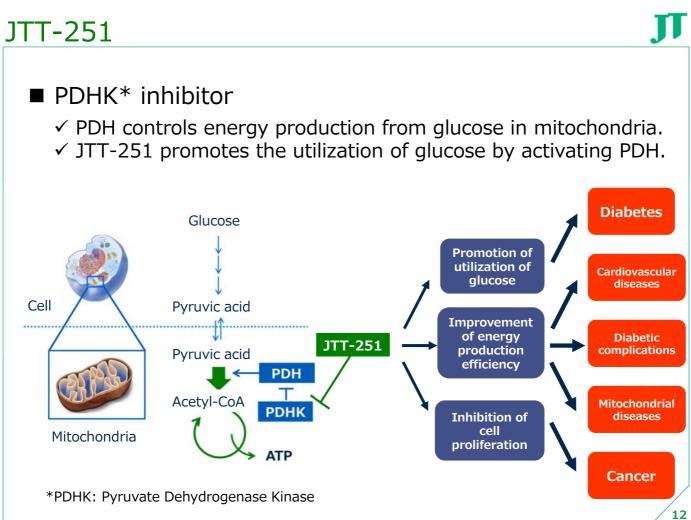


### Clinical Expectations for JTE-052 in Treatment of Atopic Dermatitis ${ m J}{ m J}$

- JTE-052 showed significant effects on three major pathological factors in atopic dermatitis models
  - Amelioration of skin inflammation Clinical score ↓, Cytokine production ↓, Inflammatory cell infiltration ↓
  - Improvement of skin barrier function Transepidermal water loss ↓, Natural moisturizing factor ↑ Filaggrin ↑ (cultured human keratinocytes)
  - Attenuation of scratching behavior Scratching bouts ↓







# Potentials of Small Molecule Drugs

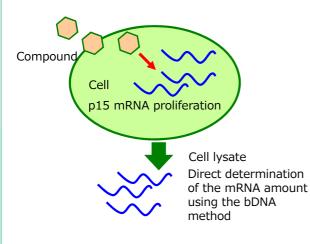
- Enable to select various drug discovery targets compared with biologics.
- Lead to discovery of entirely new mechanisms through forward pharmacology.\*
- Create new value through repositioning.
- Small molecule drugs, along with cell therapy, are essential in the field of regenerative medicine.
- Enable to affect multiple targets as required for CNS drugs and so on.
- Can be administered in various dosage forms, including an oral agent.
- A patent is acquired on a compound-by-compound basis in principle.
- Can be manufactured at low cost compared with biologics.
- Ensure a high level of stability and easy quality control.
- Usually have no immunogenicity.
  - \* : Approach based on the process of: phenotypic assay  $\rightarrow$  discovery of active compounds  $\rightarrow$  search for drug targets

#### Potentials of Small Molecule Drugs – Forward Pharmacology

Assay for a lead compound for the MEK inhibitor Trametinib

Selecting compounds that induce the activity of p15<sup>INK4b</sup> from the chemical library through high-throughput screening (HTS).

#### Branched DNA (bDNA) method



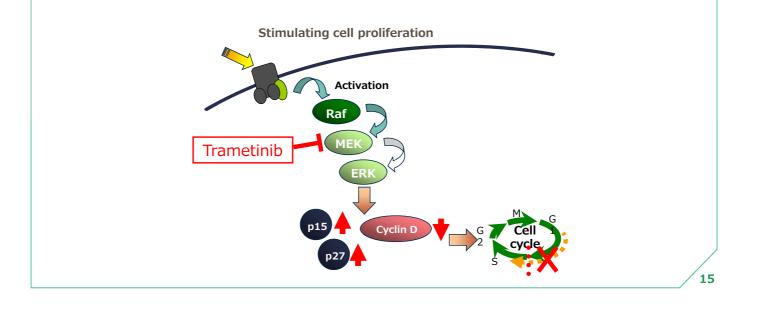
- Add a compound to normal cells.
- Dissolve cells and directly determine the amount of p15 mRNA contained in the cell lysate.
- Raise the signal sensitivity through the amplified probe technique based on the bDNA method because the amount of mRNA contained in cells is low.

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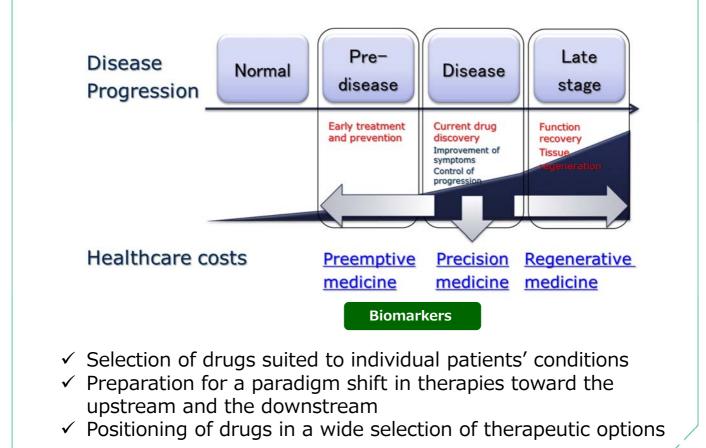
#### Search for target molecules for Trametinib through chemical biology

The target molecule for Trametinib was identified as MEK through the chemical biology method.

- ✓ Inhibit the phosphorylation of MEK by binding to unphosphorylated MEK (IC<sub>50</sub> 6.7 nM).
- Inhibit the phosphorylation of ERK in the downstream by binding to phosphorylated MEK (IC<sub>50</sub> 290 nM).



#### R&D Activities based on Future Treatment Paradigm



## **Open Innovation**

Look outside research institutions and companies for missing pieces that cannot be internally obtained for development of First-In-Class drugs that satisfy Unmet Medical Needs.

Target discovery

Cause of diseasesNew drug targets etc.

Leading generation/ optimization

- HTS
- Chemical library
- *in vitro/in vivo* assaysUnique animal models
- etc.
- Preclinical
- Biomarkers
- Repositioning etc.



- Own search for partners
- Dispatch of researchers for collaborative research
- Buildup of trust and respect

The number of joint research programs has tripled in recent years (between 2013 and 2017).

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