



Ajinomoto Co., Inc. Selected as Digital Transformation Stock 2022

TOKYO, June 13, 2022 – On June 7, Ajinomoto Co., Inc. ("Ajinomoto Co.") was selected as one of the "Digital Transformation (DX) Stocks 2022", designated jointly by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE).

Since 2015, METI and TSE have selected companies proactively engaging in IT utilization efforts to improve management innovations, earnings, and productivity as "Competitive IT Management Companies." Since 2020, they have similarly selected companies that are boldly taking efforts to change business models leading to new growth and enhanced competitiveness based on digital technologies as "DX Stocks." This year 33 companies were selected, including Ajinomoto Co. for the first time.

In the selection process, Ajinomoto Co. was highly evaluated on the following three points:

- Maximizing the advantages of corporate goals closely aligned to society, making bold plans to transform external ecosystems and society, and steadily producing results.
- Developing its unique DX definition and roadmap, which are easy for investors to understand and constitute an outstanding effort within the food industry.
- Establishing a Business Model Transformation Task Force (new transformation), which has become an initiative to comprehensively change the value proposition, customer experience, etc. through digital technologies.

Under the unchanging commitment represented by Ajinomoto Group Shared Value (ASV), the Ajinomoto Group has pursued a strategy of both resolving social issues and achieving business and economic growth, underpinned and enhanced by its purpose of becoming a solution-provider in food and health issues. To add further impetus to such activities, it will continue proactively using DX to harness the power of digital technologies to visualize invisible assets and striving to enhance corporate value.

The Ajinomoto Group, unlocking the power of amino acids, aims to resolve food and health issues associated with dietary habits and aging, and contribute to greater wellness for people worldwide.

Based on the corporate message "Eat Well, Live Well.", we have been scientifically pursuing the possibilities of amino acids to aim for future growth by creating new value through sustainable and innovative solutions for communities and society.

The Ajinomoto Group has offices in 36 countries and regions, and sells products in more than 130 countries and regions. In fiscal 2021, sales were 1.1493 trillion yen (10.2 billion U.S. dollars). To learn more, visit www.ajinomoto.com.

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