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### Olympus to Construct New Facilities at Three Major Medical Production Bases

Olympus Corporation announced today plans to construct new facilities at the company's major medical-related production bases in the Aizu, Shirakawa and Aomori areas, aiming to enhance capacity, improve efficiency and strengthen business continuity planning. The additional facilities are expected to further stabilize production of medical products, which are positioned as a core business in the company medium-term business plan.

#### Production bases and planned construction

Production bases	Investment (Approx.)	Site area	New floor space
Aizu 500 Aza-Muranishi, Oaza-Niidera, Monden-machi, Aizu-Wakamatsu-shi, Fukushima Prefecture Core business: Development and production of scopes and peripherals for medical endoscopes	9.4 billion yen	83,029 m <sup>2</sup>	22,135 m <sup>2</sup>
Shirakawa 3-1 Aza-Ohkamiyama, Oaza-Odakura, Nishigo-mura, Nishi-Shirakawa-gun, Fukushima Prefecture Core business: Development, production and purchase of medical endoscope chassis	8.6 billion yen	76,220 m <sup>2</sup>	23,900 m <sup>2</sup>
Aomori 248-1 Okkonoki 2-chome, Kuroishi-shi, Aomori Prefecture Core business: Development and production of instruments for medical treatments	1.7 billion yen	39,471 m <sup>2</sup>	3,000 m <sup>2</sup>
Total	19.7 billion yen		

The buildings will be constructed on existing premises, so additional land will not be acquired. As a result of the board of directors passing a resolution to approve the construction plan today, new construction will be carried under a schedule targeting completion by the end of fiscal 2016.

Depreciation and other expenses related to these new fixed assets will accrue in the future, but are expected to have minimal impact on the company's financial results in the current fiscal year.

Reference: Consolidated Financial Forecasts for Current Fiscal Year (announced on November 12, 2012) and Consolidated Financial Results for Previous Fiscal Year

(millions of yen)

	Consolidated net sales	Consolidated operating income	Consolidated ordinary income	Consolidated net income
Consolidated financial forecasts for fiscal year ending March 2013	757,000	38,000	16,000	8,000
Consolidated financial results for fiscal year ended March 2012	848,548	35,518	17,865	-48,985

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