



### Tokyo CRO Forms Strategic Alliance With Ecron Acunova

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#### To gain geographical advantage with service expertise across Asia and Europe for clinical research

Tokyo CRO and Ecron Acunova have formed a strategic alliance strengthening their services in India, Europe and Japan providing sponsors with a global network. The alliance will provide pharmaceutical, medical device and biotechnology companies' with access to India, Japan as well as European countries for clinical research.

The alliance network is strengthened through a combination of Tokyo CRO's presence in Japan with Ecron Acunova's presence in India and 14 countries in Europe.

Toshimi Nishiyama, president, chairman and CEO of Tokyo CRO, said: "As a full service CRO, we have established our presence across Japan, China and Korea. This alliance enables us to extend clinical trials to India, Europe and US."

D A Prasanna, founder of Ecron Acunova, said: "As a full service CRO we have established our expertise across EU, US and India. With sponsors increasingly including Japan in drug development programs, it is imperative for us to establish our operations through experts like Tokyo CRO in the region."

"While both partners offer full-service CRO operations independently, our execution synergy is enhanced when operating together, rivaling the capability of any competing CRO."

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