

News Release

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Maruho Announces Transfer/Acquisition of Device for Pincer Nails “Makizume Meister®” Business and Establishment of the Medical Device Department

Osaka (Japan), April 1, 2020 – Maruho Co., Ltd. (“Maruho”, Head Office: Osaka, Japan, President and CEO: Koichi Takagi) and group company Maruho Hatsujyo Kogyo Co. Ltd., (“MHK” Head Office: Kyoto, Japan, President: Ryohei Imai) announce today that marketing authorization and business for device for pincer nails “Makizume Meister®” (manufactured and marketed by MHK, hereinafter referred to as the “product”) has been transferred to Maruho.

Maruho and MHK have been conducting information provision activities for the product since October 2019. Maruho has acquired the business with the aim of further enhancing information provision to customers and increasing the speed of product development. From now on, Maruho will act as the marketing authorization holder to market the product while providing and collecting appropriate information to ensure a stable, high-quality supply of the product.

In addition to the transfer/acquisition of the product business, the medical device business within the Maruho group was reorganized and the Medical Device Department was newly established in Maruho on April 1, 2020. In addition to prescription drugs, quasi-drugs, cosmetics, and diagnostics, the new department will optimize resources for the development, improvement and sale of medical devices. By strengthening marketing, sales, and quality and safety management systems, Maruho will improve its collection of patients’ unmet medical needs and development of new products.

The Medical Device Department will mainly be engaged in pincer nail related businesses in Japan and supporting medical device-related overseas group companies. In Japan in particular, by promoting the business focusing on pincer nail correction tools, Maruho will accumulate know-how in the medical device business and make preparations to ensure the launch of new products in the future.

(Product Outline)

Brand Name	Makizume Meister®
Characteristics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Super elastic alloy wire continuously corrects nail curvature. 2. Designed for safety with the wire wrapped inside the coil spring. 3. Device can be fitted quickly by hooking one of the U-hooks on the side edge of the nail and using the elastic force of the super elastic alloy wire to hook on the opposite side edge of the nail. 4. Designed to correct pincer nails to a natural curvature. Additionally, a corrective effect around the entire nail can also be expected.
Price	Open price
Marketing Authorization Holder	Maruho Co., Ltd.

(Product Photo)



(Application image)



About Maruho

Maruho Co., Ltd. has its headquarters in Osaka and leads Japan in research and development, manufacturing and commercialization of dermatological products. Founded in 1915, Maruho has 1,537 employees (as of the end of September 2019), and net sales were approximately 80.37 billion yen in its fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. Pursuing its long-term corporate vision of “Excellence in Dermatology,” Maruho is striving to improve the health and quality of life of people all over the world. For more information, please visit <https://www.maruho.co.jp/english/>

About Maruho Hatsujyo Kogyo

Maruho Hatsujyo Kogyo Co., Ltd. has its headquarters in Kyoto and started from humble beginnings in 1952 manufacturing simple metal springs. From then on it has grown to become a manufacturer of metal springs, automatic packaging machinery and precision components for medical devices. Aiming to carry on the traditions of Kyoto craftsmanship in a modern manufacturing business, Maruho Hatsujyo Kogyo is growing its business together with customers by providing precision technology and continues to develop its business globally in a rapidly changing business environment. For more information, please visit <https://www.maruho-hkj.co.jp/en/>

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