"Cs+ for Tomorrow 2021" Medium-term Management Initiative Progress and Outlook

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Introduction

Environmental changes since formulation of "Cs+ for Tomorrow 2021"

U.S.-China decoupling, etc.

Rapid movement toward carbon neutral

Values changed by pandemic

New ways of living and working

Irreversible changes to industrial and demand structures

Heightened awareness for health and hygiene Supply chains considering society and the environment Execution aligned with environmental changes



While <u>reconfirming risks</u> in a discontinuous and uncertain environment, <u>regarding changes as</u> <u>opportunities</u> and moving proactively

Value provision for sustainable society

Execution aligned with management environment, but no fundamental change in concept for value provision **Contributing to sustainable society Group Mission** Contributing to life and living for people around the world **Policy for execution** Material Health Care Growth strategy Homes **Growth investments** in priority fields considering cost of Life Health Environment Home for provision of Mobility **Material** & Energy & Living Care **capital** emphasizing value financial discipline Portfolio transformation New business creation Business portfolio Reinforcing the transformation and base for growth Diverse personnel and working styles / core technologies / cultivating new growth linkage with markets and customers fields Advancing **sustainability** Sustainability management Digital transformation (DX) and DX as sources of competitiveness

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Operating income and operating margin

Income growth stagnated due to environmental change; recovering but forecast to fall short of initial target



Main financial metrics

Decline in net income in FY2020 with temporary tax expense (approx. ¥24 billion) etc.; profitability and capital efficiency expected to recover in FY2021

	(¥ billion, unless otherwise specified)	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021 forecast announced in May 2021	18-21 annual growth	FY2021 initial target announced in May 2019
	Net sales	2,170.4	2,151.6	2,106.1	2,375.0		2,400.0
Profitablity	Operating income	209.6	177.3	171.8	190.0	-3.2%	240.0
	Operating margin	9.7%	8.2%	8.2%	8.0%		10.0%
	EBITDA* ¹	313.6	295.6	305.1	331.0	1.8%	370.0
	EBITDA margin	14.5%	13.7%	14.5%	13.9%		15.4%
	Net income	147.5	103.9	79.8	155		180.0
	EPS (¥)	106	75	57	112	1.9%	130
Capital Efficiency	ROIC* ²	8.8%	6.6%	4.9%			9.0%
	Net income per shareholder's equity (ROE)	11.1%	7.6%	5.6%			11.1%
Financial Health	D/E ratio	0.31	0.52	0.45			≈0.5
	Capital ratio	53.6%	48.6%	50.3%			
	Exchange rate (¥/ \$)	111	109	106	105	•	110

*1: Operating income, depreciation, and amortization (tangible, intangible, and goodwill)

*2: (Operating income – income taxes) / average annual invested capital

Capital allocation

Sound financial condition maintained even with pandemic; continuing to strive for greater cash generating capacity and capital efficiency



Performance and outlook by sector

Material

Homes

Care

Health





Growth (sales growth rate)

Dotted circle: current term Solid circle: mid-term target Circle size: operating income amount

Current situation by sector*

Slower growth and lower income due to environmental change

Recovering, but performance below target

	FY19	FY20	FY21
Sales	1,093.1	991.2	1,168.0
Operating income	92.4	66.5	100.0
Operating margin	8.4%	6.7%	8.6%

Domestic Japanese business recovering from Covid impact but 1 year behind plan

Consolidation of	of McDona	ld Jones	Homes

	FY19	FY20	FY21
Sales	704.4	692.6	791.0
Operating income	72.7	63.5	67.0
Operating margin	10.3%	9.2%	8.5%

Increased demand for ventilators and virus removal filters, income growth forecasted to achieve target

	FY19	FY20	FY21
Sales	337.8	407.9	400
Operating income	43.5	67.6	55
Operating margin	12.9%	16.6%	13.89

* FY19-20 results, FY21 forecast (announced in May 2021); ¥ billion

Outlook

- Prioritizing profitability and capital efficiency over increased scale; accelerating portfolio transformation
- Thorough financial discipline, strict selection of growth investments
- Domestic growth in homes for seniors and medium-rise; overseas expansion in the US and Australia
- Using IT to raise profitability; continued cashflow contribution
- High earnings growth and profitability through returns on previous investments
- Continuing investment for further expansion as growth driver for the group

Investment for sustainable growth

While maintaining financial discipline, proactively investing in businesses with mid-term growth prospects (Health Care, LIB separators, etc.) and in DX and sustainability

Main investments (including planned)

Investment decisions adopted



Business portfolio transformation

Raising cash generating capacity and capital efficiency by accelerating portfolio transformation through screening of "strategy reformulation businesses" based on business evaluation



Shareholder returns

Maintained dividends at ¥34 per share based on policy for shareholder returns

Shareholder returns policy

- Determining level of shareholder returns based on medium-term FCF outlook
- 2 Shareholder returns basically by dividends, aiming to maintain or increase dividends per share
- 3 With payout ratio of around 30–40%, considering dividend on equity (DOE) as well, aiming to steadily increase level of shareholder returns
- 4 Share buybacks as appropriate considering suitable level of equity



Dividends per share

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Material: Business strategy

Raising profitability/capital efficiency with new value provision models based on changed operating



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Material: Focus on Growth Businesses

Shift resources in the Material sector to high-value-added businesses such as LIB separator and automotive interior materials



Material: Highlights in Life Material

Actions for Growth

Life

Material

Accelerating growth of existing businesses

- Construction of second plant for Ceolus microcrystalline cellulose (completion in Spring 2023)
- Accelerate business expansion for Klaran high-performance UVC LEDs
 - High output at 265 nm wavelength effective for disinfection
 - Adopted in UV Streamer Air Purifier by Daikin Industries, Ltd.
- Automated flexo printing platemaking solution (for packaging materials), collaborating with a leading company







Klaran UVC LED

Daikin UV Streamer Air Purifier

 Automated flexo platemaking solution

Developing new business models

- Fresh Logi solution for maintaining freshness of produce
 - Reducing food waste and CO₂ emissions
 - In concert with SMAGt^{*1} system
 - *1: Agricultural data platform using blockchain to visualize the production and transaction history by Information Services International-Dentsu, Ltd.



Fresh Logi

Anti-counterfeiting solutions

- Promoting new solutions using blockchain and transparent RFID^{*2} tags that are difficult to replicate
 - *2: Radio frequency identification



Homes: Business Strategy

Home
& LivingMaintaining existing medium-term growth strategy while using digital technology to meet changing lifestyle needs;
strengthening resilience to disasters and adapting to carbon-free by leveraging our know-how for sustainable urban living



* Resilience certification for Asahi Kasei Homes

Homes: Expansion of Overseas Business

Pursuing growth through business models aligned with the characteristics of each region

Net Sales of Overseas Business



Australia

McDonald Jones, a major steel-frame housing company, becoming a consolidated subsidiary (capital participation since 2017)



Home interior example

Aiming to be Australia's leading brand through vertical integration with the steel frame supplier acquired in 2020

North America

Horizontal integration between Austin Companies for electrical, concrete, and HVAC (acquired in 2020) and Erickson (acquired in 2018)



Construction with Erickson's components

Efficiently streamlined provision of high-quality buildings

Homes: Sustainability and Resilience

To realize sustainable urban living, expedite initiatives of decarbonization and enhanced resilience to disasters

Sustainability

- Participation in RE100 (Asahi Kasei Homes)
- Promotion of net-zero emission homes (reaching 66% in FY2020)
- Supply of non-FIT non-fossil power to our plants



Neoma Foam received the 18th GSC Award (Minister of the Environment Award) and the 52nd JCIA Technology Award (Environmental Technology Award)



Neoma Foam



Comfortable Space Laboratory

Resilience

The 7th Japan Resilience Award (first condo rebuilt after 2016 Kumamoto earthquake)





Earthquake damage

After completion

Joint research on real-time earthquake damage estimation system (with NIED*) * National Research Institute for Earth



Seismometer with Hebel Haus

Science and Disaster Resilience



Image of the System

20%

10%

0%

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Health Care: Business Strategy

Health Care

Continued growth even with Covid impact; prioritizing Group resources on Health Care; global expansion of both pharmaceuticals and medical devices, to be the third major pillar and driver of growth



Health Care: Critical Care Business Development

Continuing organic growth of existing businesses focused on cardiopulmonary resuscitation while promoting business development for both existing businesses and adjacent areas through acquisitions



Health Care: Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals (overseas)

- Steady growth in Veloxis Envarsus XR (immunosuppressant drug used following kidney transplant)
 - Increase of US transplantations
 - Expansion of facilities employing Envarsus XR



Integration of clinical development and business development function of Asahi Kasei Pharma in the US with Veloxis

Pharmaceuticals (domestic)

- Growth of Teribone autoinjector osteoporosis drug
 - Reached top share in Japan among teriparatide formulations



Teribone autoinjector (for self-injection)

Start of "Bone Check" project enlightening potential osteoporosis patients

Medical

- Strengthening bioprocess business
 - Expansion of sales and production capacity of Planova virus removal filters in line with the market growth of biologics (hollow fiber production capacity 40,000 m²/y increase ⇒ Total production capacity 130,000 m²/y)



Planova virus removal filters



Planova hollow fiber spinning plant (completed Sept. 2019)

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Asahi Kasei DX Vision 2030

Asahi Kasei will co-create "healthy living" and "a future world full of smiles" through the borderless connections enhanced by digital innovation



Crossing boundaries and connecting with the power of digital

To create new value for society, we will resonate across countries and cultures and co-create across companies and organizations.



Healthy living and a future world full of smiles

We will lead to a healthy, secure, safe, comfortable life and a world full of smiles for future generations.

Development of DX as a pillar of growth strategy

Direction of DX Deployment

from 2018 Digital Introduction Period

from 2020 Digital Deployment Period



from 2022 Digital Creation Period

- ⁸ Foundations of functional DX
 - Materials informatics (MI), production technology innovation, IP landscape, etc.

⇒ About 400 projects •

t promotion

- Development of DX Vision
- Digital Value Co-Creation, cocreation laboratories, etc.

Management Innovation through DX

- Business model transformation, valuing intangible assets
- Utilization in management decision-making
- Use in human resource management, etc.



All employees gain a mindset of digital utilization

Application of MI to development of innovative materials and products

MI dramatically accelerates the search for combinations of materials × processes (melting methods, mixing methods, etc.), enables the search for new combinations that were not previously found, and achieves the highest performance.



Development of remote monitoring system for improved productivity

Ex., green hydrogen demonstration project in Germany monitored in Japan



Asahi Kasei Data Center (Miyazaki)

DX Promotion Framework

Establishment of Digital Value Co-Creation

With the diversity that is a strength of the Asahi Kasei Group, promoting reforms through co-creation with digital technology across the Group

Digital Value Co-Creation (organization reporting to president)



Opened CoCo-CAFE digital co-creation laboratory

Cafe

A base where digital human resources are gathered together and create cooperatively with both inside and outside the company





Promoting DX education by level

- Strengthen DX education for all Asahi Kasei Group employees (started Open Badge system)
- Develop business managers into DX leaders (training program to deepen understanding of DX and strengthen its promotion)

Developing and obtaining of DX professional human resources

By the end of FY2021, to have 230 digital professional personnel who will promote advanced digitization through development programs and recruitment



Use of intellectual property

Intellectual Property Awards Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award (2021 Award for Excellence in Utilizing the Intellectual Property System)

Reasons for Awards Received

- 1. Intellectual property activities with an awareness of contributing to business based on the mission of maximizing business value
- 2. As a contribution to business advancement, **IP landscape** and **intellectual property activities to support DX** were implemented company-wide
- 3. Succession of a strong intellectual property mindset to successive researchers through an educational program aimed at raising awareness of intellectual property

Implementation of IP landscape activities in various businesses within the Asahi Kasei Group



Hipore LIB separator



Hebel Haus unit home





S-SBR synthetic rubber for fuel-efficient tires



Teribone osteoporosis drug

Development of Human Resource Base

In order to respond to changes and continue to provide value to society, promoting the creation of a foundation that supports the autonomous growth of employees and enables diverse individuals to thrive

Before COVID-19	With COVID-19	Acceleration of change Diversification of values	Towards an era of greater change
Ongoing m	easures	Renewed awareness of importance	Future direction
Active use of diverse human resources/ improving work engagement	More effective measures in the "new normal" environment	 Vibrant work environment Diverse ways of working 	 Lifetime growth Diverse individuals maximize their capabilities
 ✓ Promoting diverse work styles (telecommuting, etc.) ✓ Expansion of highly-skilled professional system ✓ Nurturing the next generation 	Promoting diverse work styles (telecommuting, etc.)✓ Introduction of coreless flexible time, satellite office, etc.Expansion of highly-skilled professional system Nurturing the next generation✓ Working style reform and productivity improvement utilizing IT tools		 Individuals act on their own initiative and grow Management to support growth and challenge
of leaders ✓ New engagement survey, etc.	 Maintenance of individual mental and physical health 1-on-1 meetings, etc. 	To achieve "lifetime growth" , sta on-site trials and pla	art preliminary implementation of an detailed measures

"Everything starts from people" — for the further evolution of Team Asahi Kasei

"Diversity" cultivated over 100-years of history and "Capability to Change" through the innovation of employees, organizations, and the company

Promoting Health and Productivity Management

Enhanced health and productivity management will contribute to the two aspects of sustainability for Asahi Kasei



Examples of activities

- Continuous implementation of AED lifesaving seminars
 - \Rightarrow Basic lifesaving measures for emergencies
- Introduction of an osteoporosis checkup subsidy support (Asahi Kasei Pharma)
 - ⇒ Increased awareness of osteoporosis and improved health



AED lifesaving seminars

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Materiality of the Asahi Kasei Group considering business environment change



Importance for the Asahi Kasei Group

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Contribution to realize a carbon neutral and sustainable world



The Asahi Kasei Group is addressing global climate issues by leveraging our scientific strengths cultivated since our foundation

Contributing to the decarbonization of various industries

Contributing to reducing global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through our technologies, products, and services

Contributing to decarbonization in many ways



- LIB separator
- Ion-exchange membrane
- Lightweighting resin
- S-SBR for fuel-efficient tires
- Elastomer for asphalt modification
- CO₂ sensors
- Net-zero emission houses
- High-performance insulation material, etc.

Decarbonization Initiatives

Reducing our own GHG emissions

To realize a sustainable society,

the Asahi Kasei Group aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050 *1

Main	Energy decarbonization (acceleration of R&D for alkaline water electrolysis, CO ₂ separation/recovery/utilization, etc.)
measures	Manufacturing process innovation
	Shift to high-value-added, low-carbon businesses, etc.

2030 Target

Reduce GHG emissions by 30% or more (compared with FY2013)^{*2}

Develop a roadmap to achieve the goal, and accelerate decarbonization initiatives accordingly

*1: GHG emissions from our business activities (Scope 1, 2)

*2: Presumption that the Japanese power supply structure will be more than 50% non-fossil in accordance with the governmental policy

Projects for decarbonization

Working with other companies to achieve a hydrogen society, increasing our own use of renewable energy

Green Solution Project (from April 2021)

> Aiming to create businesses that can provide value to society with an overview of the entire carbon neutral-related market

Working toward a hydrogen society

- Contributing to the achievement of a hydrogen society through large-scale water electrolysis demonstrations, etc.
- Participation in Japan Hydrogen Association



NEDO project Fukushima Hydrogen Energy Research Field (FH2R)



ALIGN-CCUS water electrolysis system (Niederaussem, Germany)

Achieving CO₂ adsorption and utilization



- Developing a new zeolite-based CO₂ separation and recovery system
 - Significant improvement in CO₂ adsorption
 performance compared to conventional adsorbents

Projects for the circular economy

Promoting projects in collaboration with other companies and academia

Polyethylene material recycling

Lion

- Develop recycled toiletries bottles in NEDO Project*
- Establish a platform to manage and visualize the supply chain based on blockchain technology with IBM Japan, Ltd.

Polystyrene chemical recycling

Use of

products

Plan to construct facility to convert used polystyrene products back to styrene monomer through thermal decomposition

Chemica

recycling

plant



* 2019: Adoption of NEDO "Leading Research Program"/ 2020: Adoption of NEDO "Innovative Resource Recycling Process Technologies"

Styrene

monomer

plant

Manufacture

of plastic

products

PS

Japan

Contributing to active life in the "new normal"



Providing high-quality medical care and fulfilling lives through our products, technologies, and solutions

Active life in the new normal

Contributing to anti-Covid measures



Ventilators



Virus removal filters



Medical gown



KLARAN



Mask

Contributing to high quality treatment



- LifeVest (wearable defibrillator)
- Recomodulin (anticoagulant)

Therapeutic apheresis

Implantable neurostimulator device (central sleep apnea therapy)

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Asahi Kasei's centennial and the next 100 years



Management direction for the next 100 years

Realization of the two aspects of sustainability for Asahi Kasei

Providing solution for a sustainable society through innovative technologies and advanced initiatives Providing value expected by society to realize sustainable growth of corporate value

Pursue a portfolio of high-profitability and high capital efficiency value-added businesses

Pursue both high profitability and capital efficiency and sustainable profit growth

Pursue synergies between businesses and dynamic portfolio transformation

Further enhance business platform, the fundamental strength of Asahi Kasei

Venue where diverse individuals can thrive with high motivation

Maximize use of intangible assets such as diverse core technologies and accumulated know-how Upgrading and streamlining operations and reforming business models through DX

Our diversity, capability to change, and care for the future of people and the earth will endure for another century

Creating for Tomorrow

THE COMMITMENT OF THE ASAHI KASEI GROUP:

To do all that we can in every era to help the people of the world make the most of life and attain fulfillment in living. Since our founding, we have always been deeply committed to contributing to the development of society, boldly anticipating the emergence of new needs. This is what we mean by "Creating for Tomorrow."



(Reference) Financial performance by sector

(¥ bill	ion)	FY2018		FY2019	FY2020	FY2021 forecast announced in May 2021	'18→'21 CAGR	FY2021 initial target announced in May 2019
	Net Sales (a)	1176.2		1093.1	991.2	1168.0		1350.0
ه	Operating income (b)	129.6	ſ	92.4	66.5	100.0	-8.3%	150.0
ateri	Operating margin (b/a)	11.0%		8.4%	6.7%	8.6%		11.1%
Σ̈́	EBITDA (c)	190.7		163.0	137.4	176.0		240.0
	EBITDA margin (c/a)	16.2%		14.9%	13.9%	15.1%		17.8%

Homes	Net Sales (a)	659.8		704.4	692.6	791.0	1	750.0
	Operating income (b)	68.2		72.7	63.5	67.0	-0.6%	75.0
	Operating margin (b/a)	10.3% 77.2		10.3%	9.2%	8.5%		10.0%
	EBITDA (c)			83.3	74.8	79.0		89.0
	EBITDA margin (c/a)	11.7%		11.8%	10.8%	10.0%		11.9%

	Net Sales (a)	316.2
are	Operating income (b)	41.8
lth (Operating margin (b/a)	13.2%
Hea	EBITDA (c)	68.6
	EBITDA margin (c/a)	21.7%

	400.0	407.9	337.8	2
9	55.0	67.6	43.5	3
	13.8%	16.6%	12.9%	%
	100.0	111.6	72.9	6
	25.0%	27.4%	21.6%	%

9.6%
 370.0

 56.0

 15.1%

 83.0

 22.4%

Reference

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History of business portfolio transformation

Change in sales composition



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Growth according to the changing times



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FY 2021 sales and operating income forecast by business category¹²



¹ Forecast in November 2021

² Figures for operating income by business category include intrasegment transactions which are eliminated from the segment totals.

³ Pie charts exclude "Others" category and "corporate expenses and eliminations."

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Ideal for Asahi Kasei (current & future)



"Creating for Tomorrow"

Working on ESG issues (Environmental, Social, Governance) based on our Mission, Vision, and Values Medium-term Management Initiative "Cs+ for Tomorrow 2021"

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Growth Strategy: Material (as announced in May 2019)

Basic strategy

Flexible allocation of management resources to priority fields



High value-added businesses: Fibers, synthetic rubber, engineering plastics, coating materials, ion-exchange membranes, electronic materials, consumables, battery separators, electronic devices, etc.

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Growth Strategy: Homes (as announced in May 2019)

Basic strategy

Reinforcing and extending value chain management



Medium-term Management Initiative "Cs+ for Tomorrow 2021"

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Growth Strategy: Health Care (as announced in May 2019)

Basic strategy

Further accelerating transformation to a global health care company



Appendix: Operating income of Material segment¹



¹ Beginning with FY2019, the business categories in the Material segment are reclassified. Results from FY2016 through FY2018 are recalculated in accordance with the new classifications. Sums of figures by category differ from Material segment total due to intrasegment expenses and others.

² High value-added business: Performance Products and Specialty Solutions

³ Forecast in November 2021

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Basic Materials (1) Main products

	Asahi Kasei Capacity (kt/y)	Main competitors	Main applications	Asahi Kasei's position/strengths
Acrylonitrile	1,002 (Mizushima: 200 Korea: 602 Thailand: 200	Ineos Nitriles Ascend	ABS, acrylic fiber, carbon fiber, NB latex; captive use for AS, adiponitrile	Plants in Japan, Korea, and Thailand 2nd largest producer in the world
Styrene	390	Lyondell Basell Ineos Styrolution Shell	PS, EPS, ABS, SB latex, unsaturated polyester, SBR; captive use for PS, AS, SB latex, SBR	After 320 kt/y plant in Mizushima closed in Feb. 2016, business to focus on domestic market and captive use
Methyl methacrylate	180	Mitsubishi Chemical Sumitomo Chemical	MS, MBS, coating materials, cast sheets; captive use for PMMA	Proprietary, cost-competitive C4 process
Cyclohexanol	180	Shandong Haili BASF	Adipic acid; captive use for adipic acid	Proprietary, economically-competitive, environmentally-friendly process with fewer waste Mainly for captive use
Polyethylene	236	(Domestic) Japan Polyethylene Prime Polymer	Films, miscellaneous goods, food containers, injection molding; captive use for LIB separator	Business development taking advantage of unique characteristics based on distinctive catalyst technology, including high density polyethylene
Polystyrene	315	(Domestic) Toyo Styrene DIC	Food containers, food packaging, foamed polystyrene, toys, miscellaneous goods, construction materials	Production and sales by PS Japan Largest producer in Japan

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Basic Materials (2) Strengthening of operations in Japan

Strengthening petrochemical operations by establishing the optimum production configuration for stable earnings and enhanced competitiveness to cope with contracting domestic demand and price competition from products made overseas based on low-priced feedstock

Business	Location	Capacity (thousand tons)	Major applications	Closure schedule
Naphtha cracker	Mizushima	500 (unified with Mitsubishi Chemical's facility)	Production of basic petrochemical products such as ethylene and propylene	February 2016
AN	Mizushima Kawasaki Korea Thailand	$ \begin{array}{r} 200 \\ 100 \\ 150 \\ 560^{1} \\ 200 \end{array} $	ABS, acrylic fiber, carbon fiber, acrylamide, adiponitrile	August 2014
Styrene	Mizushima	320 390	Polystyrene, ABS, synthetic rubber	February 2016
ABS resin	Mizushima	65	Automotive, home electronics, office equipment	December 2015
SB latex	Mizushima Kawasaki	24 36	Paper coating, adhesives, paint	December 2015
Epoxy resin	Mizushima Fuji	37 (undisclosed)	Coatings, adhesives, electronics	May 2015

Closure Dedication to another product

¹ Capacity as of February 2014, at the time of announcement of the strengthening of petrochemical operations; currently 602 thousand tons after debottlenecking.

Performance Products (1) Main products: Fibers

Bemberg cupro fiber

• Only manufacturer in the world; global development for applications such as linings, innerwear, and ethnic garments

Roica premium stretch fiber

- High-function products manufactured at our global sites in Japan, Taiwan, China, Thailand, and Germany
- Decision to optimize the global strategy of Roica spandex business, in August 2021

Leona nylon 66 filament

• Expansion in automotive airbag application in addition to tire cord application with superior strength and heat resistance

Nonwovens

Eltas spunbond

Increased demand in applications for hygiene products such as diapers and masks for Asian market

Bemliese continuous-filament cellulose nonwoven

Increased demand in applications for facial mask, medical use, and industrial wiper towel

Lamous artificial suede

- Sales expansion centered on automotive upholstery application; Decision to expand capacity; start-up in second half of FY 2021
- Acquisition of Sage Automotive Interiors, Inc., manufacturing and selling vehicle seat fabric using Lamous, in September 2018





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Performance Products (2) Acquisition of Sage

Acquisition of Sage Automotive Interiors, a US-based manufacturer of automotive interior material, in September 2018

- ✓ Enhanced access to vehicle manufacturers and Tier-1 suppliers, in order to swiftly and accurately ascertain trends and needs in the automotive industry, by expansion of supply chain from upstream to midstream.
- Proposal and provision of comprehensive solutions for vehicle interior leveraging Sage's design and marketing capabilities in combination with various Asahi Kasei products and technologies, such as fibers, plastics, and sensors, in response to new trends including CASE¹.
- ✓ No. 1 global share for vehicle seat fabric²; marketing Dinamica brand using Lamous microfiber suede of Asahi Kasei, centered on US and Europe.
- ✓ Acquisition of automotive fabrics business of Adient, US, in September 2020.



¹ Connected, Autonomous, Shared & Service, Electric.

² Woven and knitted fabric for vehicle seats (not including natural and synthetic leather)

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Performance Products (3) Engineering plastics, synthetic rubber

Engineering plastics

- Leveraging computer-aided engineering (CAE) technology with weight-saving proposals for automotive parts
- Development of materials based on sophisticated technologies for polymer design, alloys, and compounding
- Global operations for production, sales, and technical service centered on automotive applications

Product	Features/strategy	Main applications				
Leona polyamide 66	Specialty polyamide with superior heat resistance and durability	Automobiles (engine compartment parts, electrical parts)				
Tenac polyacetal	Production of low-VOC products in Mizushima, Japan, and Zhangjiagang, China	Automobiles (interior parts, fuel-system parts, electric motor parts), office equipment				
Xyron modified polyphenylene ether	Global development of superior grades	Photovoltaics, automobile battery parts, relay blocks, office equipment				

Synthetic rubber (solution-polymerized SBR)

- Developing solution-polymerized SBR (S-SBR) for fuel-efficient tires centered on Asian market, focusing on differentiation with cutting-edge grades
- Enhancing overall tire performance, with good balance of fuel efficiency and wet grip
- Technology for both continuous and batch polymerization processes



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Performance Products (4) Foamed engineering plastics

Develop our unique high value-added products to respond to the increasing environmental needs in mobility society, aiming at achieving long-term growth



Contributes to higher output in a safer and more

efficient way



- to comply with restrictions on accelerated running noise
- (2) Exterior parts leveraging lightweight, rigidity, heat resistance, and heat insulation properties



Specialty Solutions (1) Main products (i) Performance materials

Product		Main applications	Asahi Kasei's position
Aciplex ion-exchange membranes, membrane-process electrolyzers		Chlor-alkali electrolysis	Membranes: No. 1 world share Electrolyzers: No. 2 world share
Glass fabric	A 1997	Electrical insulation for printed circuit boards in portable devices such as smartphones and equipment for telecommunications infrastructure	Top-tier world share in super thin fabric and low dielectric fabric
Sunfort dry film photoresist		Forming copper circuit patterns on printed wiring boards and semiconductor packaging	World top-3 share: 30%
Ceolus microcrystalline cellulose		Additives for pharmaceuticals and foods	No. 1 domestic share
Duranate HDI-based polyisocyanate	SOZOLIHERI D	Non-yellowing polyurethane curing (coatings, inks, adhesives, cast molding, etc.)	World top-3 share No. 1 domestic share
APR and AFP photopolymers and platemaking systems	Gan	Printing plates for packaging such as cardboard, labels, and film	No. 1 domestic share

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Specialty Solutions (2) Main products (ii) Battery separators

Integrate technology and marketing, deliver value to customers

- Utilize Asahi Kasei Group technology for materials, analysis, and manufacturing
- Optimum global manufacturing, marketing, and development configuration to meet customer needs





Wet-process Li-ion battery separator





battery separator



Lead-acid battery separator

- Presence and development strength in consumer electronics
 Expansion in automotive applications in developed countries
- Presence in automotive applications
- Adoption in ESS¹ applications
- World-leading presenceStable market growth centering
- in emerging countries
- Market inflection with spread of ISS² vehicles

Solidify leading position in the market through unique solution proposal ability having both wet and dry processes, with global manufacturing, marketing, and development configuration, meeting various customer needs Strengthen customer support, capture demand in emerging markets, develop new products with group technology

Pursue synergy between lead-acid and Li-ion battery separators

¹ Energy storage systems² Idling stop and start

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Specialty Solutions (4) Main products (iii) Electronic devices

Core technologies

Analog/digital signal conversion technology (LSIs); sensing technology using compound semiconductors for high sensitivity and fast response

For consumer electronics

Identifying direction you are facing on the map



Electronic compass

World's No. 1

Optical autofocus/image stabilization for higher-quality pictures

High-precision position control IC for camera module

Top tier in the world (magnetic sensors)

Higher-quality sound with smartphones

Signal processing IC for audio equipment

Top tier in the world



For automotive

Quieter and more comfortable space Signal processing IC for noise and echo cancellation

Top tier in Japan

Power window anti-pinch function, windshield wiper control, etc.

Motor control sensor

Top tier in Japan

Monitoring EV charge

Current sensor

For industrial equipment



Precision control of robots

Magnetic rotational angle sensor

Homes (1) Order-built homes

Hebel Haus and Hebel Maison high-end homes

- Exceptional resistance to earthquake and fire, and full-fledged aftersale service (60-year inspection system)
- Top-tier market share in urban areas; No. 1 share in Tokyo area with strengths in medium-rise homes (3–4 story), expanding into 5+ story homes

Innovative proposals for urban lifestyle

- A pioneer of two-generation homes, and apartments for dual-income families and pet owners
- Developing business in homes for seniors; Hebel Village apartments for healthy active seniors

Development of urban markets and focus on order-built homes

- Most of sales in order-built homes coming from 3 major areas in Japan (Tokyo area, Nagoya area, Osaka area)
- Rebuilding accounts for approximately half of order-built homes
- Not purchasing large tracts of land, building houses, and selling parcels; specializing in order-built homes



Hebel Haus unit homes



Hebel Maison apartment buildings



Homes (2) Housing-related businesses

Real estate

Atlas condominium buildings

• Leading position in rebuilding of older condominiums based on obtaining accord among owners

Rental management

• Management of Hebel Maison rental units, amounting to approx. 100,000 units, mainly in buildings subject to 30-year all-unit leaseback system

Remodeling

Targeting the 280,000 Hebel Haus and Hebel Maison buildings sold to date

Overseas businesses

Development centered on the US and Australia.

- Capital alliance with McDonald Jones Homes Pty Ltd, 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 (FY) an Australian company which constructs and sells unit homes, in 2017; acquisition in 2021.
- Acquisition of Erickson Framing Operations LLC, a US-based supplier of pre-fabricated building products, in 2018.
- Acquisition of Austin Companies providing electric, foundation, and HVAC work for home construction in the US, in September 2020.





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Homes (3) Sales and order trends

(¥ billion, % indicates year-on-year comparison)

		Valı	le of	Sales of	of order-b	uilt hom	es, etc.	S	ales of re	al estat	e				
		new of during t	orders the term	Unit homes	Multi- dwelling homes	Other ¹	Total	Pre- built homes	Rental housing	Other	Total	Sales of remodeling	Other sales ^{2, 3}	Consolidated	Order backlog
FY17	H1	193.1	(-6.5%)	143.2	36.7	2.7	182.7	12.0	45.3	1.6	59.0	26.8	1.1	269.6	528.9
	H2	212.5	(+9.4%)	161.7	58.8	3.6	224.1	14.7	47.8	2.5	65.1	28.4	1.1	318.7	520.9
	annual	405.6	(+1.2%)	304.9	95.6	6.3	406.8	26.8	93.2	4.2	124.1	55.2	2.2	588.3	
FY18	H1	210.1	(+8.8%)	136.4	36.8	2.3	175.5	16.8	49.7	1.6	68.1	27.2	1.0	271.8	557.8
	H2	241.5	(+13.6%)	162.8	61.4	4.0	228.2	13.2	52.1	2.1	67.4	31.2	6.1	332.9	575.0
	annual	451.6	(+11.3%)	299.3	98.1	6.3	403.7	29.9	101.8	3.7	135.4	58.4	7.1	604.7	
FY19	H1	201.9	(-3.9%)	144.0	43.9	9.4	197.3	7.6	54.4	2.3	64.3	32.0	11.3	304.9	589.0
	H2	198.4	(-17.8%)	146.9	62.3	9.2	218.4	28.0	56.8	2.8	87.6	29.4	9.0	344.4	578.2
	annual	400.3	(-11.3%)	290.9	106.2	18.6	415.7	35.5	111.2	5.1	151.9	61.3	20.4	649.3	
FY20	H1	145.3	(-28.1%)	132.8	46.9	8.1	187.8	30.9	58.1	2.1	91.0	25.8	9.8	314.4	543.8
	H2	181.3	(-8.6%)	136.6	61.1	9.2	206.9	11.1	60.8	7.1	79.0	27.2	17.4	330.4	527.5
	annual	326.6	(-18.4%)	269.3	108.0	17.4	394.7	42.0	118.9	9.1	170.1	52.9	27.2	644.8	
FY21 ⁴	H1	206.3	(+42.0%)	127.4	51.0	10.6	189.0	20.5	62.5	3.1	86.0	26.7	74.0	375.8	563.5
	H2 forecast	202.0	(+11.4%)				206.5	24.0	65.0	8.4	97.5	26.8	69.5	400.2	559.2
an	nual forecast	408.3	(+25.0%)				395.5	44.5	127.5	11.5	183.5	53.5	143.5	776.0	

¹ Income from maintenance service which was previously included in SG&A is included in sales beginning with FY 2019.

² Results of Erickson Framing Operations LLC and its consolidated subsidiaries are included from Q4 2018.

³ Results of Australian company McDonald Jones Homes Pty Ltd and its consolidated subsidiaries are included from Q1 2021.

⁴ Forecast in November 2021. The Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition is applied beginning with FY 2021. Order backlog shown above remains based on the previous method.

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Construction Materials: Main products

Hebel autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC)

- No. 1 share in Japan
- Lightweight and highly durable with outstanding flame-resistance and thermal insulation



Neoma Foam phenolic foam insulation panels

• Long-lasting, world-leading insulation performance

Neoma Zeus launched in January 2018 with the highest level of performance among insulation materials

- Eco-friendly material with no CFCs used during production
- High flame resistance; carbonizes without spreading flame



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Pharmaceuticals (1) Main products

		Mechanism/	Sal						es			
Products	Generic name	substance class Indication For		Formulation	Region	Monetary unit	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20		
Asahi Kasei Pharm	Asahi Kasei Pharma											
Teribone	Teriparatide acetate	Synthetic human parathyroid hormone (PTH)	Osteoporosis with high risk of fracture	Injection	Japan	¥ billion	26.8	28.3	27.5	31.0		
Recomodulin	Recombinant thrombomodulin alfa	Anticoagulant	Disseminated intravascular coagulation	Injection	Japan	¥ billion	11.8	11.8	10.9	9.4		
Kevzara	Sarilumab (rDNA origin)	Interleukin-6 inhibitor	Rheumatoid arthritis not responding well to conventional treatments	Injection	Japan	¥ billion	0.0	1.3	4.3	5.3		
Reclast	Zoledronic acid	Osteoporosis drug	Osteoporosis	Injection	Japan	¥ billion	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.3		
Veloxis Pharmaceu	ticals											
Envarsus XR	Tacrolimus extended-release tablets	Immunosuppressant drug	Kidney transplantation	Tablet	US	\$ million	_	_	_	122		

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Pharmaceuticals (2) Product pipeline

Development stage	Code name, form, generic name	Classification Indication		Region	Origin	Remarks
Pending approval	AK1820, injection/ capsule, isavuconazole	Antifungal agent	Invasive fungal infections	Japan	Licensed	
Phase II	ART-123, injection, recombinant thrombomodulin alfa	Anticoagulant	Anticoagulant Chemotherapy- induced peripheral neuropathy (CIPN)		In-house	Additional indication
Phase II	A 1/21020	A	Pain associated with osteoarthritis	T	Licensed	
Phase II	AK1830, oral	Analgesic	Chronic low back pain	Japan		
Pending approval (overseas)	HE-69, tablet, mizoribine	Immunosuppressant	Lupus nephritis, nephrotic syndrome	China	In-house	Additional indication
Phase III (overseas)	ART-123, injection, recombinant thrombomodulin alfa	Anticoagulant	Severe sepsis with coagulopathy	United States, Europe, etc.	In-house	

Pharmaceuticals (3) Acquisition of Veloxis (i)

- Acquisition of US-based Veloxis Pharmaceuticals Inc. in March 2020; total acquisition price approx. DKK 9 billion, JPY 147.2 billion
- ✓ Accelerating global expansion of Health Care business by obtaining platform in the US pharmaceuticals market

• Overview of Veloxis

Business overview	Sale of Envarsus XR, an immunosuppressant drug used following kidney transplant which uses a proprietary drug delivery technology ¹									
Location	Cary, North Carolina	Cary, North Carolina, the United States								
Revenue	2016	2017	2018	2019 forecast ²						
(million \$, fiscal year ends at December)	9	30	39	75–82						
Strengths	 Excellent managen companies speciali Efficient sales tean High growth poten Growth potential in 	nent team having a hi zing in advanced meen n focused on approx. tial of Envarsus XR ncluding possibility to	story of growing pha dical care 200 transplant center o in-license transplan	rmaceutical s in US t-related products						

¹ Technology to enhance oral bioavailability and control the release of a drug to improve efficacy and/or reduce side effects.
² Forecast at the announcement of acquisition in November 2019. Earnings of Veloxis is consolidated into the Asahi Kasei Group beginning with FY 2020 and included in the Health Care business category of the Health Care segment

• Envarsus XR

- Proprietary extended-release technology suppresses the rise in maximum blood concentration after administration and extends the duration that effective blood concentration is maintained
- This enables once-daily administration and reduces side-effects



(extended-release formulation of tacrolimus)

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Pharmaceuticals (4) Acquisition of Veloxis (ii)

- Expansion of Health Care business by accelerating globalization and obtaining diverse sources of growth and competitiveness in both pharmaceutical and medical device businesses
- Obtaining overseas business platform for medical device business by acquisition of ZOLL in 2012
- Accelerating global growth in pharmaceutical business by acquisition of Veloxis, obtaining business platform in US pharmaceuticals market that is world's largest and fastest-growing



¹ Mainly monoclonal antibodies and immunoglobulins.

Medical devices: Main products

Dialysis-related products

Health Care

- Leading position in hemodialysis-related products market in Japan
- Accelerated overseas development to meet needs in different countries and different regions

Planova virus removal filters

- World's No. 1 share; contributing to improved viral safety and productivity in manufacturing processes for biopharmaceuticals and plasma derivatives¹
- Growth accompanying market expansion for biopharmaceuticals and plasma derivatives
- Tightening regulations for virus removal, proliferation of biosimilar products
- Growth in emerging markets (China, India, South America) in addition to main markets of Europe and US
- Construction of a new plant for the spinning of cellulose hollow-fiber membranes for Planova virus removal filters (completed in September 2019)
- Acquisition of ViruSure, an Austrian provider of biosafety testing services, in October 2019
- Decision to double production capacity for Planova BioEX, in July 2021





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Critical Care (1)

Resuscitation

- ✓ Wide lineup of resuscitation-related products
 - Defibrillators for hospitals and EMS
 - AEDs (automated external defibrillators)
 - Automated CPR
 - Ventilators, etc.











Defibrillators for hospitals and EMS No. 1 share in the world

AED

AutoPulse Ventilator non-invasive cardiac support pomp

Cardiac Management Solutions

- The only product of its kind to receive \checkmark regulatory approval
 - Wearable defibrillator for patients at risk of sudden cardiac arrest—provides protection during high-risk periods such as while waiting for an ICD¹ implant (average usage duration 3 months; rented to patients)
 - Recommended in both Europe and US clinical guidelines; has been used by almost 600,000 patients worldwide



LifeVest wearable defibrillator

Circulation

- Intravascular temperature management system
- **Expanding into area of acute** \checkmark myocardial infarction through acquisition of TherOx, Inc. Thermogard temperature management system



Data

- Software for EMS & fire \checkmark
 - Managing operations from dispatching and tracking emergency vehicles to transmitting patient data from ambulance to hospital



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Critical Care (2)

- ✓ Product lineup addressing every link in the Chain of Survival
- $\checkmark\,$ Strengthening the acute critical care product portfolio by M&A



New businesses

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Example (1) CO_2 gas sensor business

Clean environmental energy

Healthy/comfortable longevity with peace of mind



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Example (2) Alkaline water electrolysis system

Addressing challenges in a growth market by combining electrolysis, catalyst, and membrane technology

- •World's highest energy efficiency with demonstration plant anticipating 10 MW capacity
- •Accelerating commercialization with demonstration plant in Europe, the market with the greatest potential
- •Selected for the Fukushima Hydrogen Research Field, the world's largest-scale system of 10 MW



New businesses

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Example (3) High-performance composite materials

Connecting fiber, resin, and processing technology

1) Material to replace metal for weight reduction in automotive structural parts



- \checkmark High degree of design freedom: Able to create parts that have complex shapes
- ✓ Outstanding strength-to-weight ratio: Improved strength and rigidity compared with conventional GF reinforced PA66 resin

2) Development of cellulose nanofiber (CNF) composite


New businesses

Example (4) UVC LED

Business expansion based on core technology in compound semiconductors

Hall elements (world-leading share) \rightarrow IR sensor, CO₂ sensor, etc. \rightarrow UVC LED using aluminum nitride (AlN)

Mass production of UVC LEDs using the world's only 2-inch single-crystal AlN substrate



¹ With increasing global awareness of environmental risks associated with the use of mercury, as exemplified by the Minamata Convention on Mercury which came into force in August 2017, there has been a heightening need for a UV light source to replace mercury lamps that are currently used to disinfect drinking water, etc.

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Example (5) IoT for plant diagnosis—applied to solutions for shipping industry

Providing remote diagnostic service for rotating equipment on ships leveraging onshore plant diagnostic technology



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