

October 26, 2018  
Shinkin Capital Co.,Ltd  
Fukuoka Hibiki Shinkin Bank  
Sawayaka Shinkin Bank  
HIROTSU BIO SCIENCE INC.

**Shinkin Bank fund “Shinkin no Tsubasa” has announced that  
it will support the global expansion of HIROTSU BIO SCIENCE INC.,  
toward the “practical application of cancer test using nematodes”.**

**Toward the commencement of service in January 2020 for cancer test using nematode olfactory “N-NOSE”,  
Shinkin Capital Co., Ltd. (President & CEO Kazuo Yamaguchi) has decided to invest in  
HIROTSU BIO SCIENCE INC. (President & CEO Takaaki Hirotsu) and cooperate mainly in the financial aspect.**

“Shinkin no Tsubasa” is a fund that invests in companies through recommendation by Shinkin Banks. This time, both Fukuoka-Hibiki Shinkin Bank of Kyushu and Sawayaka Shinkin Bank of Tokyo have recommended HIROTSU BIO for investment. We received a recommendation from both Shinkin Banks, and the Shinkin capital of the fund operator decided to invest HIROTSU BIO, culminating in a signing ceremony. This is the first time that an investment decision has been based on the recommendation of multiple Shinkin Banks, and reflects the great expectations for the future and growth potential of HIROTSU BIO.

Currently, HIROTSU BIO is conducting clinical research in cooperation with hospitals nationwide, and has established cancer testing centers using the nematode-based approach in Fukuoka, Shikoku, and Okinawa, and another one scheduled to open in the Tokyo metropolitan area. Gearing towards overseas expansion, HIROTSU BIO has also forged a collaboration with Queensland University of Technology in Australia on October 10th, to which Shinkin Bank will also give its support.

**About “Shinkin no Tsubasa”**

Name	Investment Limited Partnership Shinkin no Tsubasa
Investment scale	5 billion yen
Capital investor	Unlimited liability partner Shinkin Capital Co., Ltd (Address: 2-3-6 Nihonbashi bldg, Chuo-Ku, Tokyo) Limited liability partner Shinkin Central Bank
Composition date	May 27, 2014
Period of duration	12 years from composition date

**Fukuoka Hibiki Shinkin Bank**

President	Hiromi Nomura
Address	2-8-1 Ogura Yahata-Higashi-ku, Kitakyushu
Number of stores	48 (the end of March, 2017)
Deposit	651.2 billion yen (the end of March, 2017)
Loan	332.9 billion yen (the end of March, 2017)

**Sawayaka Shinkin Bank**

President	Hiroto Shino
Address	5-21-5 Mita, Minato-ku, Tokyo
Number of stores	68 (the end of March, 2017)
Deposit	1469.2 billion yen (the end of March, 2017)
Loan	801.7 billion yen (the end of March, 2017)