

Thirty years of Pharmaceutical Medicine in Japan

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JAPhMed

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THE JAPANESE ASSOCIATION
OF PHARMACEUTICAL MEDICINE

Agenda

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JAPhMed: History

Association of Medical
Doctors (MD Association)
organized in 1967

Association of Pharmaceutical
Medical Doctors (PMD Association)
organized in 1968

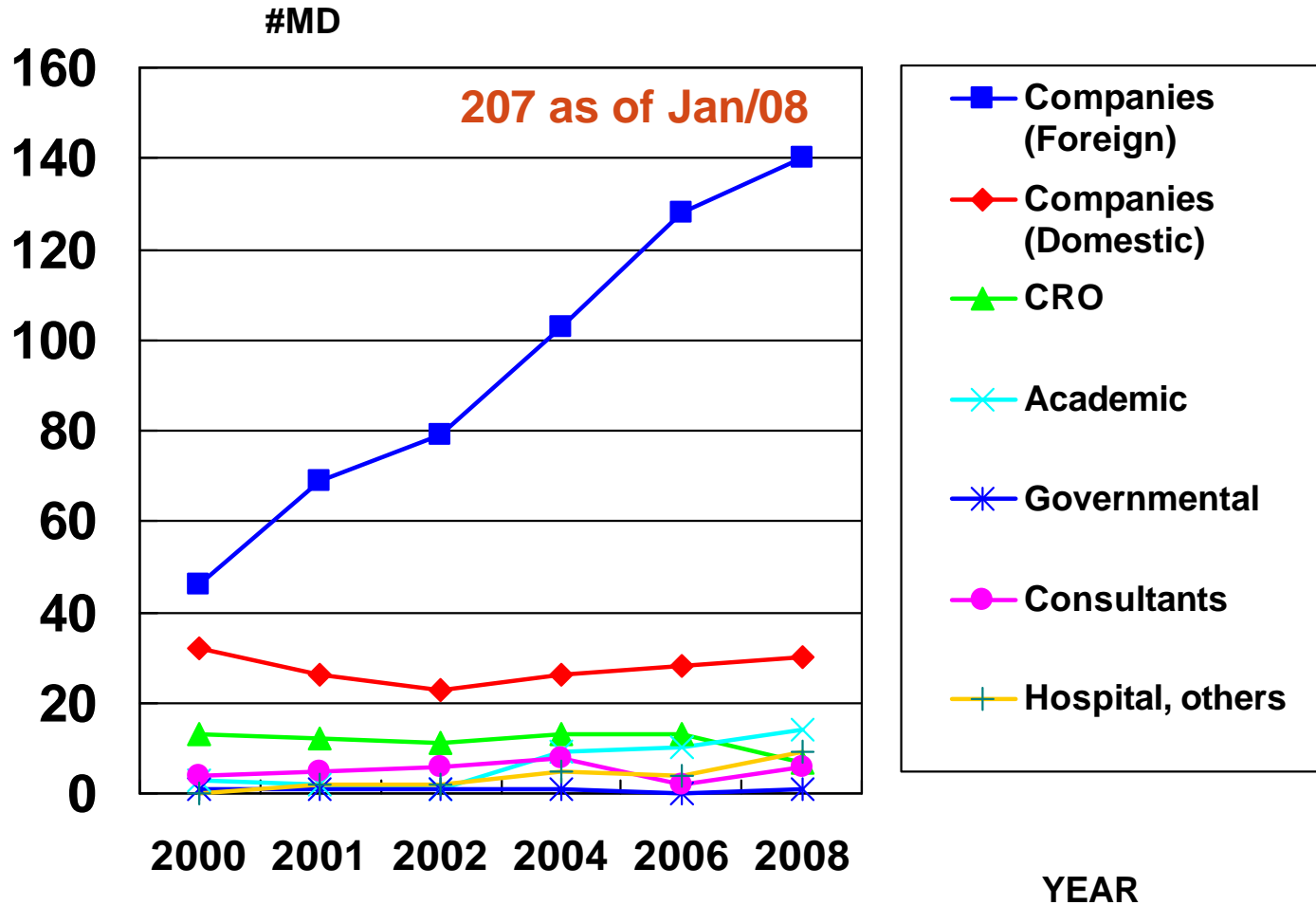
Integrated to JAMDI
(Japanese Association of Medical Doctors in Drug
Industries), held the first meeting in 1969.

← *IFAPP *developed
in 1975*

Re-named to JAPhMed in 2002

* *International Federation of Associations of Pharmaceutical Physicians*

JAPhMed: Membership



JAPhMed: Committees

1. Education committee

- Monthly educational course
- Examination and Certification in PM

2. PMS (post marketing surveillance) committee

- Network of safety and surveillance information exchange
- Promoting drug safety science

3. Medical Affairs committee

- Managing non-promotional medical activity
- Proposing guideline and post-marketing regulation

Practicing PM in Japan

Expected contribution by MDs:

- **Accurate identification of unmet medical needs**
To benefit the patients in need
- **Efficient and rationale drug development**
To improve success rate of trials
- **Ethical review and follow up in drug safety**
To keep the investigation independent of profit
- **Effective and quick NDA review/approval**
To overcome considerable Drug-Lag
- **Delivery of unbiased medical education and medical information**

JAPhMed Course in Pharmaceutical Medicine

Basic Principle:

- In compliance with IFAPP's CEPM core curriculum and syllabus
- Class and distance based learning (tbd)
- Currently designed for JAPhMed member physicians
- Provide both education and training

First examination was held in October 2008

15 physicians have been certified as PM Physicians

JAPhMed Course Modules

Session	Title
1	Discovery of New Medicines
2	Pharmaceutical Development
3	Toxicity Testing
4	Legal and Ethical Issues
5	Development of Medicines
6	Clinical Trials
7	Statistics and Data Management
8	Safety of Medicines
9	Regulatory Affairs
10	Information, Promotion and Education
11	Economics of Healthcare
12	Medical Department

Increase in PM Physicians Roles

- Diversity in opportunities due to increased acceptance of **global drug development**
- Increased emphasis on **pharmacovigilance**
- Changing regulatory framework for **post-marketing research and development**



Need of well-educated
MDs in
pharmaceutical medicine

Future of JAPhMed

Direction of JAPhMed as professional organization

- **Active recruitment** of medical doctors in the drug industry
- Establishing pharmaceutical medicine as **medical specialty with international discipline**
- Develop **medical leadership** in pharmaceutical industry by active participation as working group

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