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### **Third Sankyo Takamine Memorial Award Granted**

**Tokyo, December 6, 2005** – The Sankyo Foundation of Life Science announced today that the Third Sankyo Takamine Memorial Award for fiscal 2005 is to be awarded to Dr. Shimon Sakaguchi of the Institute for Frontier Medical Sciences, Kyoto University. The award ceremony is to be held on Monday, December 12 at the Hotel Okura.

The Tokyo-based Sankyo Foundation of Life Science (Chairman: Yasuhiro Hitosugi) was established in November 1983 by Sankyo Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; hereafter, Sankyo) which is a wholly owned subsidiary of DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY, LIMITED. To commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation's establishment, the Sankyo Takamine Memorial Award was created to perpetuate the memory of the research work carried out by Dr. Jokichi Takamine, Sankyo's first president (March 1913-July 1922).

Since its establishment, the foundation has worked in a support capacity by, for example, providing two-year research grants for innovative research in the life sciences, facilitating exchange programs (inviting foreign academics, arranging for Japanese researchers to work overseas, and supporting international symposia), and establishing two-year Sankyo fellowships.