



EP-SOGO's clinical trial services

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No.1 Site Management Organization in Japan

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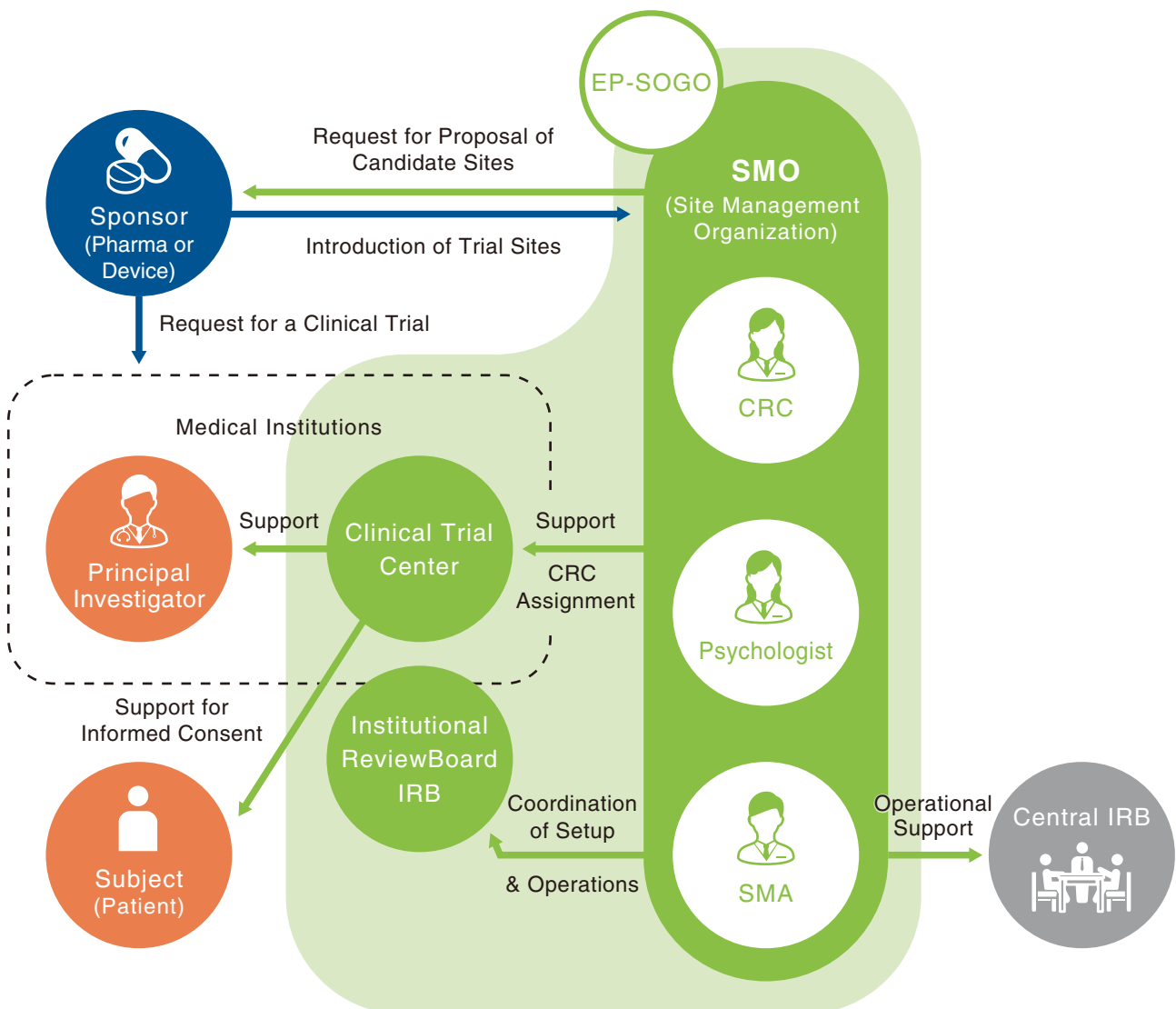
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As the No.1 site management organization (SMO) in Japan, EP-SOGO provides professional and centrally controlled site management services such as:

- Providing accurate site information
- Ensuring fastest document preparation
- Finding the right patients in time



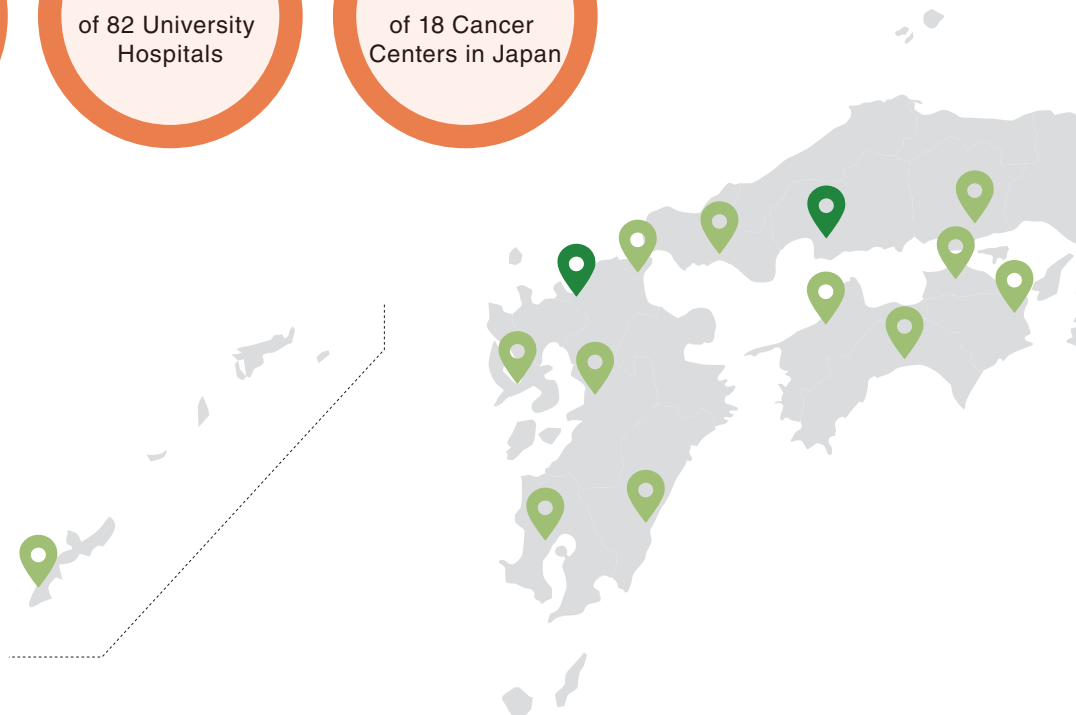
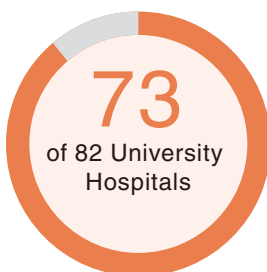
EP-SOGO's network of 6,600 clinical sites accommodates your needs for any trials

EP-SOGO releases you from stressful site management. For a successful study, it is strongly recommended that you entrust your studies to the site management organization (SMO) with the greatest coverage of sites and CRCs. EP-SOGO, with the greatest network of 6,600 contracted clinical sites in Japan, enables you to have the biggest chance of enrolling the most patients at the best sites into your trial. EP-SOGO also provides state-of-art digitalized tools including "**SYNOV-R**" for secure remote SDVs, "**DDworksNX/Trial Site**" for document management, and "**TOMA-s**" for progress management to maximize the efficiency of clinical trial. Several mega-pharma companies have already assigned EP-SOGO as their preferred SMO. Like these companies, you will be free from stressful site management by utilization of systematically controlled site management by EP-SOGO, the largest SMO in Japan that can propose the best clinical sites for you.

Partner Clinical Sites in Japan

Approx. **6,600** Sites

EP-SOGO's Support Track Record





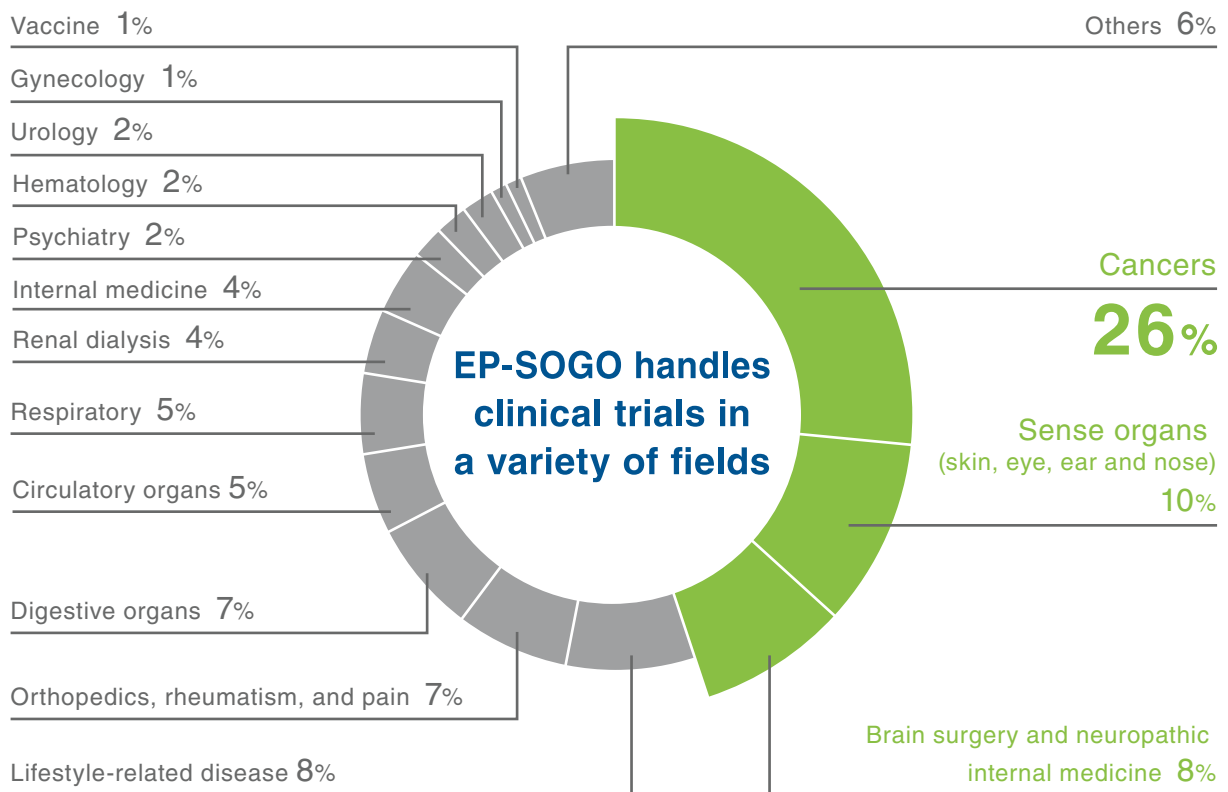
Approx.

1,100 CRCs

Access all the sites you need, find the right patients & implement your trial in the right way with professional CRCs

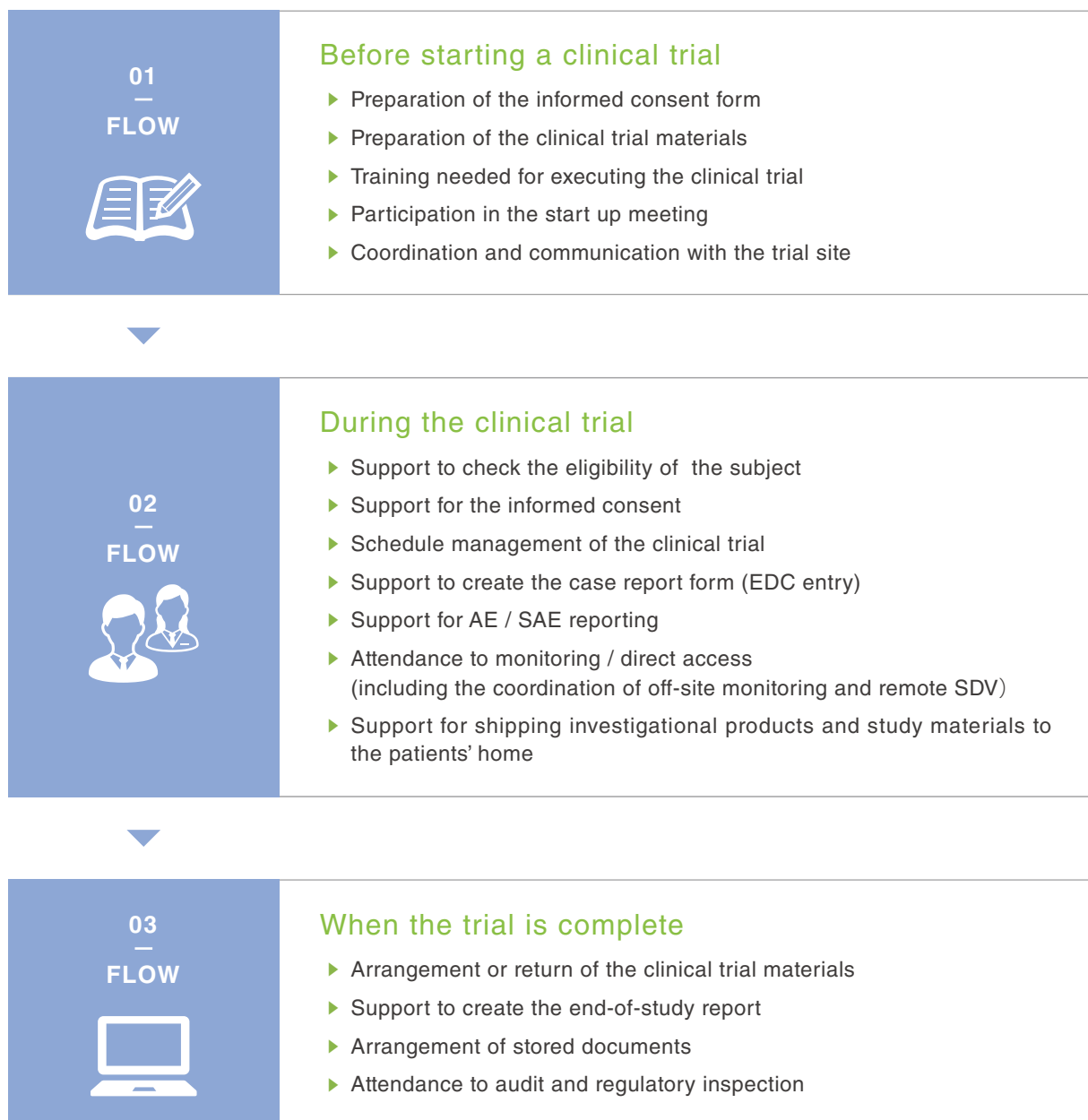
EP-SOGO has the greatest number of qualified Clinical Research Coordinators (CRCs) of any SMO in Japan. They support clinical trials in our network of 6,600 clinical sites, enabling fast implementation of your trials, even for large-scale trials enrolling a huge number of patients. Our CRCs' expertise covers any therapeutic areas including oncology, which requires specific extensive knowledge for oncology clinical trials. EP-SOGO CRCs are systematically trained, and ready to provide support in all challenging therapeutic areas.

Experience with Therapeutic Areas



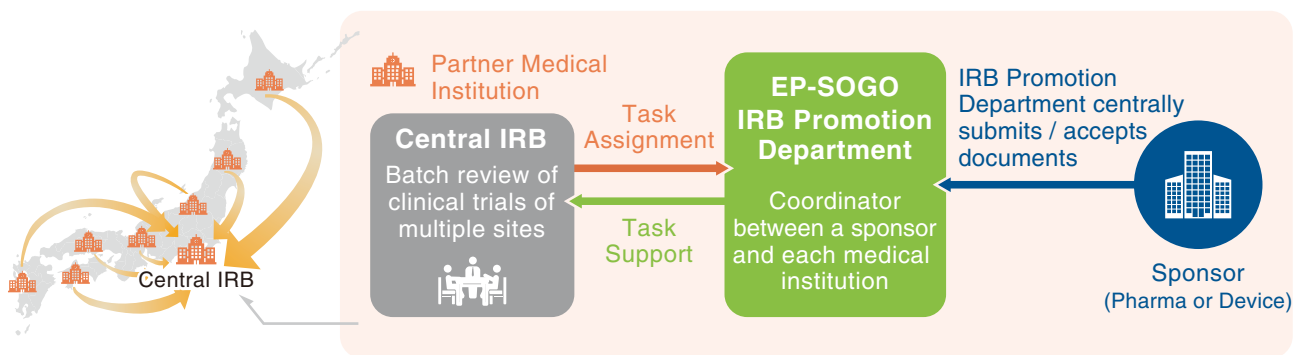
A Clinical Research Coordinator (CRC) provides onsite support for clinical trials working with investigators. EP-SOGO has numerous CRCs available even for the therapeutic areas requiring advanced expertise including cancers and circulatory diseases to handle every type of clinical trials. Additionally through human resource development focusing on communication, EP-SOGO trains CRCs to provide subjects with emotional support and to assist the execution of safe and smooth clinical trials from various aspects.

CRC's Main Tasks



EP-SOGO's IRB and Central IRB support enables quick start-up of your clinical trials

EP-SOGO coordinates establishment and supports administration of in-house IRBs (Institutional Review Board). In addition, EP-SOGO supports management of central IRBs (single IRBs) established in our partner sites. We have also established remote IRB meetings via video conference with standardized procedures. This strategy is rapidly becoming a popular style. Since 2017, EP-SOGO has also supported Certified Committees for Regenerative Medicine.



Site Management Associates

EP-SOGO supports you comprehensively to create an environment required for clinical trials with our qualified site management associates (SMAs). This includes, but not limited to coordination of establishing clinical trial centers and IRBs, preparation of the documents stipulated in GCP and training for the site staff on the general concept and details of GCP. EP-SOGO has a wide range of achievements for supporting any size of clinical sites. Depending on a variety of needs, EP-SOGO supports you totally or for a single task.

STEP1 Establishment and operation of clinical trial infrastructure	STEP2 Before starting the clinical trial	STEP3 From the initiation of a clinical trial to its completion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Coordination of establishment and operation of clinical trial secretariat and IRB ▶ Support to create SOP (Standard Operating Procedures) of the clinical site and IRB ▶ Education of the site staff and IRB members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Preparation for site qualification visit by the sponsor ▶ Preparation of CVs of investigators and the list of clinical trial staff. ▶ Preparation of IRB submission package ▶ Preparation of site contract documents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Preparation of clinical trial documents including progress reports and end of trial report. ▶ Correspondence for the sponsor ▶ Preparation of IRB submission package for the continuing review ▶ Site contract amendment

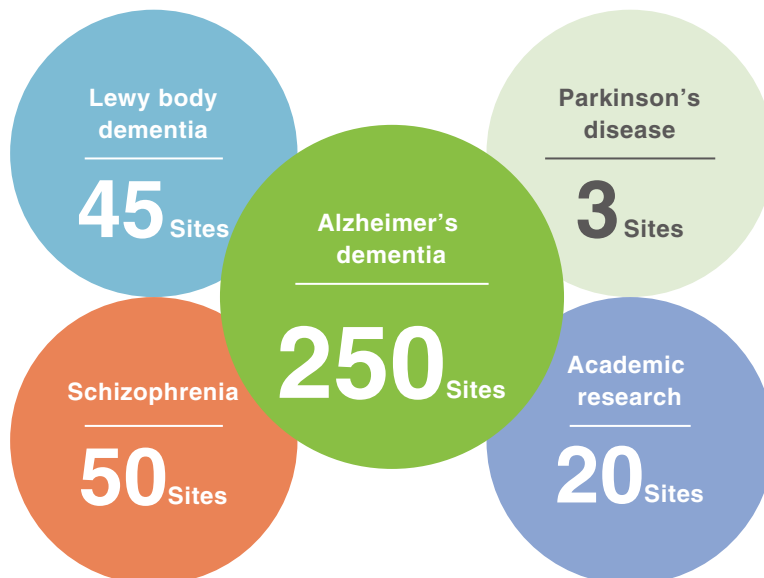
330 high-quality raters are available for your CNS trials

EP-SOGO dispatches raters to clinical sites for administering rating scales in CNS and Psychiatric trials. EP-SOGO's raters have advanced expertise and skills and are familiar with the industry and workings related to clinical trials. You can utilize our raters to make the operation of your study more efficient and solve various issues related to efficiency, speed, cost, and data quality on execution of clinical trials.



Experience with Diseases

EP-SOGO has provided raters for many studies including Alzheimer's disease and Lewy body dementia.





Kenichi Yamamoto

Representative Director
EP-SOGO CO.,Ltd

New Value Creation

**We have targeted reaching the next stage of clinical trial business.
Now we are stepping forward to “New Value Creation”.**

The environment of clinical trials in Japan is changing drastically.

Trends of drug development are shifting from lifestyle diseases to cancer, CNS and rare diseases. Furthermore, new types of drugs embracing cell and gene technologies are emerging. The protocols of these studies are more difficult and more complicated than conventional studies. Accordingly, higher level of expertise is required of CRCs. To accommodate these changes, we are making further efforts to intensively improve the proficiency of our CRCs with disease training by external trainers and participation in domestic and overseas conferences.

In addition, clinical trial processes are also undergoing significant changes. Revision of ICH-E6 is requiring efficiency improvement of quality control systems. On top of this, the industry accelerated the effort to streamline clinical trial operations as COVID-19 pandemic restricted physical contacts in trial activities.

In this context, EP-SOGO was the first company that developed Hybrid-CRCs cooperating with the EPS Corporation, group company CRO. EP-SOGO has also introduced Fujitsu's clinical trial solution for clinical sites "DDworks NX/Trial site" to digitize clinical trial documents and improve the operational efficiency, and developed and started to use a next-generation remote SDV system "SYNOV-R", and our own cloud-based progress management system "TOMA-s" at the clinical sites. These are just some of the examples of our endeavors to go beyond the conventional boundaries of the industry and to provide services that utilize Internet of Things (IOT) technologies.

Our corporate philosophy is “If we improve each day, we can progress ourselves daily, and will continue to do so. —Ever Progressing System—”. Based on this philosophy, we will collaborate with EPS Group company affiliates as “One EPS”.

Additionally, for EP-SOGO, “New Value Creation” is to provide ever progressing high-quality services while maintaining core values. Everyone at EP-SOGO has stepped forward to work together on “New Value Creation”. With a strong sense of responsibility and firm commitment to healthcare as the No. 1 SMO in Japan, hoping that new drugs reach patients as early as possible, and that the industry develops further, we would like to progress step by step with you, our valued customers.

Company Profile

Corporate Name	EP-SOGO Co., Ltd.
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Parent Company	EPS Holdings, Inc. (100%) Employees 7,664 (Consolidated, as of September 30, 2021)

Corporate Philosophy

Our Mission

We will contribute to the advancement of the healthcare industry by providing high-value-added solutions to our clients.

Our Vision

If we improve each day, we can progress ourselves daily, and will continue to do so.
Ever **P**rogressing **S**ystem

Our Values

- For our Clients** We always place the highest priority on meeting clients' needs and providing high-value-added services.
- For our Business** We will contribute to the advancement of society through sustained development of our businesses.
- For our People** We will grow through our service to clients, and improve the quality of life (QOL) of all our stakeholders.



Meaning of Our Logo

Our logo reflects the corporate philosophy of EPS GROUP. The three circles represent our EPS Group policy (for the clients, for the business, and for the people), of our commitment to progress to the future.

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