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Mitsui Chemicals, Inc.

## Mitsui Chemicals' Sodegaura Center Wins JCIA Safety Award Special Prize (Research Institute)

Awarded for continued excellence in safety activities

Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. (Tokyo: 4183; President & CEO: HASHIMOTO Osamu) today announced that its Sodegaura Center R&D base has received the Japan Chemical Industry Association (JCIA) Safety Award Special Prize.\*



From left IO Hirofumi, Group Leader, R&D Planning & Coordination Division  
SHIBATA Shingo, Managing Executive Officer; Center Executive, R&D Center  
ITO Kiyoshi General Manager, R&D Planning & Coordination Division

Based on a management policy of making safety its top priority in everything it does, Mitsui Chemicals has been working to roll out safer operations to its bases and affiliated companies both in Japan and overseas. All employees involved in R&D have as such played a role in receiving this latest award, with the JCIA looking highly upon these employees for their safety awareness and ongoing safety activities – and the fact that these have allowed operations to continue without incident. The award received is the highest form of safety commendation that the JCIA hands out to research institutes.

The Mitsui Chemicals Group will continue to carry out safe operations as it strives to show both dynamic growth in the chemical industry and contributions to broader society.

◆ Mitsui Chemicals Sodegaura Center (Sodegaura, Chiba Prefecture)

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| Establishment | 1987  |
| Main business | With a focus on the three target domains of Mobility, Health Care and Food & Packaging, the Sodegaura Center uses precision synthesis technology, polymer science and competitive manufacturing process technologies to develop high-performance, high-quality new materials. The center also carries out R&D that is themed around using these technologies and materials to provide solutions to customer issues. |
| Safety record | Time passed without accident: 44.97 million operating hours<br>Years without accident: 32 years and 2 months  |

\*JCIA Safety Award Special Prize:

A category under the JCIA Safety Awards. Serving as part of a self-regulating initiative to promote security, safety and health in the chemical industry, the JCIA Safety Award is given in acknowledgment of production plants and research facilities displaying exemplary safety standards.