

News Release

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CYBERDYNE awarded with FY2020 "Intellectual Property Achievement Awards", Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Awards

CYBERDYNE Inc. [Tsukuba, Ibaraki, CEO: Yoshiyuki Sankai (the "Company")] was awarded with the FY2020 "Intellectual Property Achievement Awards" from The Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and the Japan Patent Office (JPO).

[Intellectual Property Achievement Awards]

Every year, METI and JPO bestows the "Award for Contributor Concerning the Intellectual Property Rights System" to individuals who have contributed to developing and disseminating Japan's intellectual property rights system as well as to raising awareness thereof, and bestow the "Award for Excellent Corporation Utilizing the Intellectual Property Rights System" to corporations which have most effectively taken advantage of the intellectual property rights system and contributed to its operation and development. The award from Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry or the award from Commissioner of the Japan Patent Office is given to award winners and both are collectively called the "Intellectual Property Achievement Award." The Company received Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Awards as an excellent corporation utilizing the intellectual property rights system.

[Key points of the award]

- The Intellectual Property Strategy Team has been established as a department under the direct control of the President and CEO, and the CEO himself takes charge of the intellectual property strategy (creation of Cybernics Industry) while implementing intellectual property management in cooperation with the Research and Development Division. The Company is in possession of a large number of basic patents for Cybernics Technologies that form the core of the Company's business strategy. The Company is actively working to obtain patent rights for advanced technologies that are useful in resolving business issues. In this way, the Company is building a strong patent portfolio both in Japan and overseas.
- With the establishment of an investment fund, the Company is conducting intellectual property due diligence with a view to collaborating with partners that will help strengthen the Company's proprietary technologies. In addition, the Company is actively engaged in a wide range of intellectual property activities, such as establishing cooperative relationships with business partners while taking joint development into consideration through securing patent rights that accelerate business alliances, and supporting business partners in formulating strategies utilizing patent analysis, etc. In addition, the Company is actively contributing to the international standardization of Cybernics Technology and is also promoting the patenting of related technologies.
- In cooperation with the University of Tsukuba, the Company establishes a system that enables the management of intellectual property in a form that is independent of universities, and made a significant contribution to the establishment of rules for industry-university collaborative activities by venture companies started by Japanese universities.



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[Comment of Yoshiyuki Sankai]

We have been exploring the new academic field of "Cybernics" in which, "human" is fused and combined with "Cyber+Physical Space". In order to create a "Cybernics Industry" following the robotics and IT industries, we have been promoting activities at International Intellectual Property Strategy Committee, building a patent portfolio both in Japan and overseas, implementing intellectual property due diligence, and working on international standardization of Cybernics Technology. I am very happy that these activities have been highly evaluated and to receive the Intellectual Property Achievement Award.

