

S21-6 **The expectation of Regulatory Science Education -from the viewpoint of Japanese pharmaceutical company-**

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Many graduates from faculties of pharmaceutical sciences work in various fields at Japanese pharmaceutical companies. Though this may seem a little strange to non-Japanese, many schools in Japan have faculties of pharmaceutical sciences, and the Japanese educational system underestimates the social status of pharmacists. Pharmaceutical companies have a social mission to produce effective and safe medicines at high quality levels in a stable manner, and to supply them to patients and medical practitioners with an added “informational” value. The number of graduates from faculties of pharmaceutical sciences hired by pharmaceutical companies is declining year by year. Whether or not the newly introduced 6-year pharmaceutical science education can change this trend largely depends on the future efforts for the regulatory science education provided by universities. The students from faculties of pharmaceutical sciences can only be made more valuable and attractive than students from other faculties as human resources for pharmaceutical companies if each educational curriculum is adequately designed to develop human resources with the ability to organically construct their ideas for pharmaceutical companies and to voluntarily develop their own careers.