

Press release

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**Eiken Chemical Co., Ltd. and Sydney Water Corporation (Australia)**  
**signed License Agreement on the licensing of LAMP technology**

Tokyo, Japan – Eiken Chemical Co., Ltd. (Head office in Taito-ku, Tokyo) and Sydney Water (Head office in Sydney, Australia, Managing Director: Dr. Kerry Schott) have signed a License Agreement to enter into the licensing of Eiken's own innovative gene amplification technology (LAMP method) on May 17.

Sydney Water is a New South Wales state owned corporation that provides drinking water, recycled water, wastewater services and some stormwater services to more than four million people within the Sydney region including Sydney, the Illawarra and the Blue Mountains. Sydney Water is Australia's largest water utility with 3,000 staff and an area of operations covering 12,700 km<sup>2</sup>.

Conclusion of this License Agreement enables Sydney Water to develop and provide diagnostic testing for nucleic acid in its own water samples as well as other water samples supplied by agencies of the New South Wales government and any other company or agency.

To popularize the LAMP method in Japan and the world, Eiken is promoting its licensing business to companies and research institutes both at home and abroad. With the potential growth of the nucleic acid testing market, increased recognition of the LAMP method can be expected, and with this in mind, the licensing agreement with Sydney Water has been reached.

Eiken aims to continue to apply the LAMP method to fields such as medicine, agriculture, food, animal husbandry, environmental protection, and also contribute to the expansion of the genetic testing market.

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