

## **GNI Announces Donation to Earthquake Area of China**

**TOKYO, MAY 20, 2008 -** GNI Ltd., a leading biopharmaceutical company in Asia, announced today that GNI and GNI employees, both in Japan Headquarters and China subsidiary voluntarily donated cash and "Gu Bang" orthopedics products to the Red Cross of Shanghai for earthquake victims of Sichuan province. The total value of the donation is approximately RMB 233,500 (approximately JPY3.5 million or USD33,000).

On Monday, May 12, at 2.28 p.m. Beijing time (6:28 GMT), a major earthquake, measuring 8 on the Richter scale, jolted southwestern China's Sichuan Province. Several aftershocks followed in the same area. According to the latest reports, more than 32,000 lives have perished and more than one hundred thousand people are injured.

Dr. Ying Luo, CEO of GNI and Shanghai Genomics, said, "Helping communities and patients is our social responsibility. Corporate auditors, directors, officers and employees in both Japan and China hope this assistance will provide some disaster relief for the people who already suffered huge loss. Our hearts go out to those who lost loved ones."

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## **About GNI**

Founded in 2001, GNI, Ltd. is a clinical-stage international drug development company with its headquarters in Tokyo, Japan, and major operations in Shanghai, China. In June 2005, GNI acquired Shanghai Genomics, which was also founded in 2001, and currently operates an integrated drug discovery and development platform in Shanghai. The combined strengths of GNI and Shanghai Genomics has resulted in research collaborations with major international pharmaceutical companies. GNI has offices in Beijing, Tianjin, and Zhengzhou, China and Fukuoka, Japan. For further information, please visit <a href="https://www.gnipharma.com">www.gnipharma.com</a> and <a href="https://www.gnipharma.com">www.shanghaigenomics.com</a>.