

Chugai, Nippon Shinyaku bring Gazyva in Japan

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Tokyo based Chugai Pharmaceutical and Nippon Shinyaku have launched Gazyva (obinutuzumab), an anti-CD20 monoclonal antibody, as a treatment for follicular lymphoma in Japan.

The companies intend to work closely to make Gazyva contribute to the treatment of patients with CD20-positive follicular lymphoma as one of the standard therapies.

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The product is supported by strong efficacy data from the Phase III GALLIUM study.