

## **Yakult to Construct 2nd Plant at Wuxi Yakult in Wuxi, Jiangsu, China**

Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd. (President: Takashige Negishi) today announced that Wuxi Yakult Co., Ltd. (Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, China), a production subsidiary of the Yakult (China) Corporation, would start construction in May 2020, of a second plant (hereinafter referred to as “Wuxi Plant 2”) to produce the fermented milk drink Yakult.

Following the start of production of Yakult in Guangzhou, Guangdong Province in 2002, the Yakult Group has expanded its production bases in mainland China to Shanghai, Tianjin, Wuxi in Jiangsu Province, and Foshan in Guangdong Province, to reach the current total of six plants operating in five cities.

The Yakult Group’s business in mainland China has expanded to cover an area consisting of around 700 million people, or half of the country’s approximately 1.4 billion population. With the construction of Wuxi Plant 2, Yakult’s production system will be further strengthened to respond to the increased demand reflecting the expansion of the sales area in mainland China and the penetration of the market, and the company will aim for further growth going forward.

The start of production at Wuxi Plant 2 is scheduled for April 2022.

The profile of Wuxi Plant 2 is as follows:

<Artist’s rendition>



1. Location: Xinhong Road, Xinwu District, Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, People's a Republic of China
2. Site area: 66,660 m<sup>2</sup>
3. Building area: 23,460 m<sup>2</sup>
4. Total floor area: 34,049 m<sup>2</sup>
5. Start of production: April 2022 (planned)
6. Products: Yakult
7. Production capacity: 800,000 bottles per day initially (planned)

\*The total initial production at Wuxi Yakult is expected to be 5.4 million bottles per day when including both Plants 1 and 2.

### [Reference]

#### 1. Profile of Yakult (China) Corporation

- Name: Yakult (China) Corporation
- Capitalization: 219.72 million USD (wholly owned by Yakult Honsha Co., Ltd.)
- Location of head office: Shanghai, People's Republic of China
- Representative: Susumu Hirano
- Employees: 2,948 (as of the end of June 2019)

#### 2. Profile of Wuxi Yakult Co., Ltd.

- Name: Wuxi Yakult Co., Ltd.
- Location: Xiqin Road, Xinwu District, Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, People's Republic of China
- Representative: Susumu Hirano
- Site area: 62,000 m<sup>2</sup>
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## Profile of Wuxi Plant 1

	Plant Building 1	Plant Building 2
Building area	16,900 m <sup>2</sup>	10,500 m <sup>2</sup>
Total floor area	23,000 m <sup>2</sup>	15,900 m <sup>2</sup>
Production capacity	2.2 million bottles per day	1.6 million bottles per day (final production is expected to be 2.4 million bottles per day)
Products	The fermented milk drinks Yakult and Yakult Light	The fermented milk drink Yakult
Start of production	June 2015	June 2019