

Corporate Profile



日華化学株式会社
NICCA CHEMICAL CO., LTD.
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Overview

Establishment	September 15, 1941
Capital	2,898,545 thousand yen
Business activities	1. Manufacture and sale of surfactants for the textile industries. 2. Manufacture and sale of surfactants for metal, papermaking, paints, dyestuff, and synthetic resins. 3. Manufacture and sale of detargents for cleaning and commercial use. 4. Manufacturing and sales of cosmetics and pharmaceuticals
Representative	President &CEO Yasumasa Emori Executive Vice President Kazuhisa Tatsumura
Stock Exchange Listings	The Standard Market of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the Premier Market of the Nagoya Stock Exchange
International standard	Certification of International standards ISO9001, ISO14001, ISO22716, and ISO45001

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Cover Design: The exterior louver of the NICCA Innovation Center was used as a motif, which is a image of Fukui's traditional silk called "Habutae". Habutae is a silk fabric in which two warp yarns and weft yarn are alternately crossed, and it is a top-grade silk fabric that is tough, soft and luxurious.

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To be the most trusted innovation company
by customers all over the world

Our company is a surfactant manufacturer based on both surface and hair science that offers a wide range of products to customers in the fields of textile processing, metalworking, pulp and paper, and cleaning, as well as cosmetics.

One thing that we've strived to maintain since our establishment is our ethos, "Creating value by providing technology."

We have been following this philosophy since our 1941 founding, working together with our customers to solve problems and provide technology and service, while utilizing the technologies and "know-how" that have been cultivated against the backdrop of the world's leading textile sites, beginning with our founding site - Fukui.

Through each of our 9 overseas and regional bases, we are responding quickly and reliably to our customers' needs around the world while valuing customer dialogue.

We will continue to contribute to the sustainable development of society and the earth through our corporate activities to create value for our customers worldwide, aiming to become the innovation company that is most trusted by customers around the world.



President and Representative Director

江守康昌
Yasumasa Emori

Durable water-repellent
demanded by the top
apparels in the world

Our Technologies

- Supporting your lifestyles -

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Cleaning and medical

Detergents,
water repellents, etc.
for professional
cleaning stores

Cosmetic

Professional
hair care
products used
in beauty salons

Flame retardant
and sunburn/fading
prevention agents
for car seats



Cleaning agents for hotel and hospital lines



“TOIROCTION,”
a professional hair color
systems for diverse,
personalized expression.



Moisture wicking,
quick dry agents
for sportswear

Chemicals for the cleaning and molding processes of next-generation automotive parts production



Hygienic, lifestyle
essential hand sanitation
products such as
handsoaps, etc.



Cube-shaped
styling agents
that are popular
in beauty salons

Flame retardant and stain block agents for curtains and carpets



Environmentally friendly
cleaning agents that are
used by Shinkansen
to easily remove
contaminants



Cleaners
for medical
instruments
used during surgery



OEM/ODM products backed by expertise in pharmaceuticals and cosmetics.



Moisture wicking,
quick dry agents
for sportswear



De-inking agents for removing ink from recycled paper such as newspapers and magazines



Specialty resins used in optical components for digital devices



head-spa shampoos
and oils used
in beauty salons

Antiodor agents for
undergarments to
suppress sweat odors
and bacterial growth



Color developers
for thermal paper used in
everyday items such as
labels and receipts



Cutting fluid for
silicon wafers used in
semiconductor
manufacturing



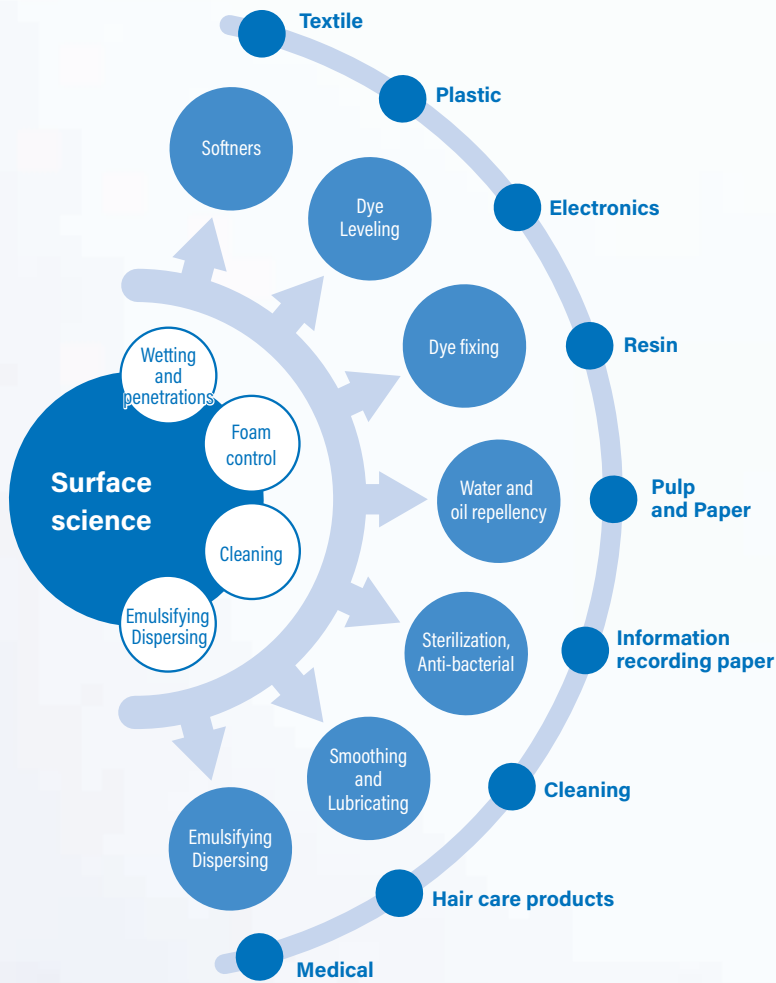
“Neochromato[®]
Processing,” proprietary
technology for easy dye
removal from polyester
fibers.



KEY TECHNOLOGY

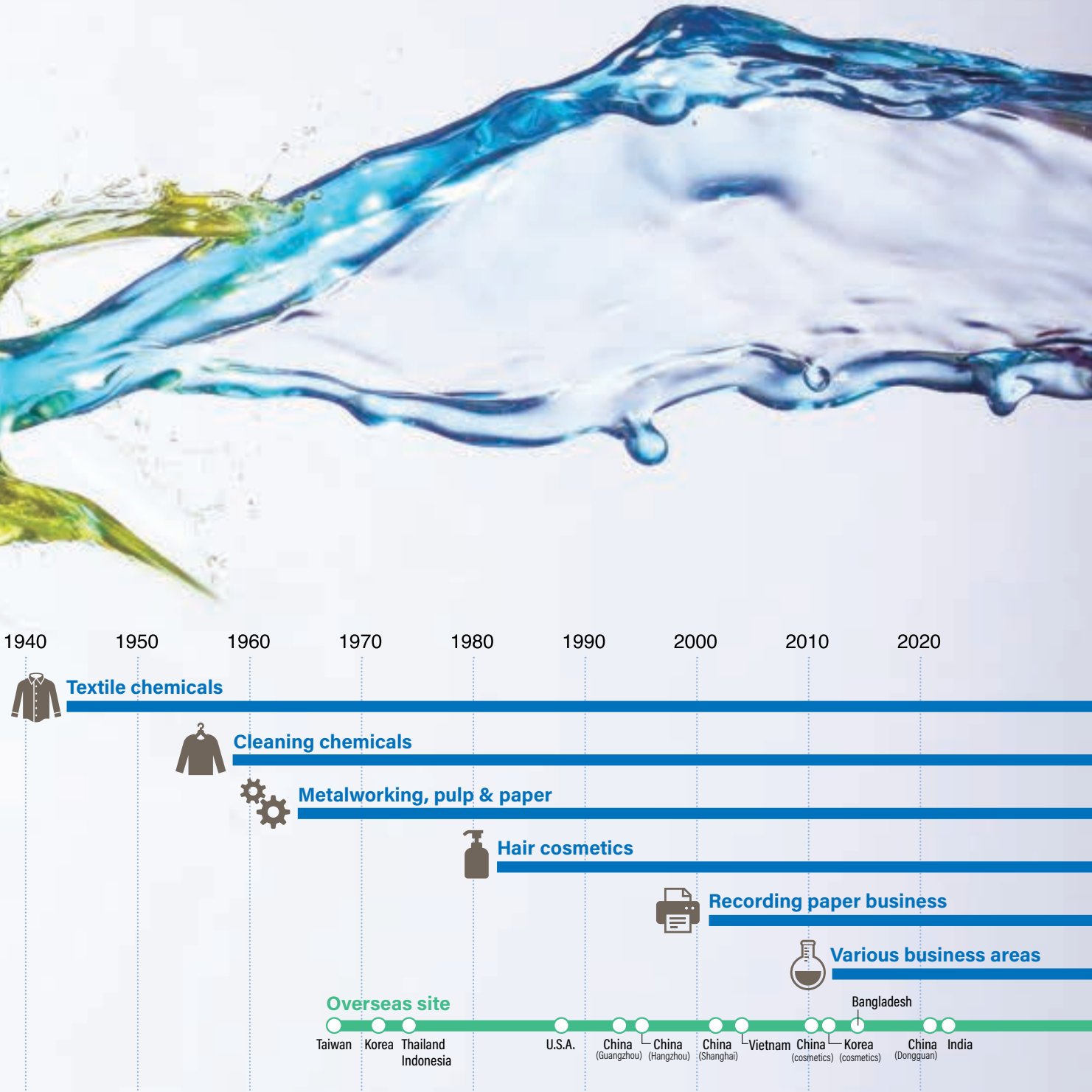
Surface science - our core technology,
we will respond to diversifying needs using this.

NICCA CHEMICAL's key technology is surface science.
A surface is the boundary between two different materials.
Surfactants that create the functions which control this surface have been used as processing agents,
and have been expanded to a wide range of applications.



**This technologies of surface science is
used in all industries**

NICCA CHEMICAL has been pursuing the technologies of surface science such as "wetting and penetrations" "foam control" "cleaning" and "emulsification and dispersion," focusing on textile applications, and has expanded the use of our technologies to a variety of fields.
This technologies of surface science is used in all industries and is indispensable for supporting our prosperous lives.
Currently, we are providing technologies and products mainly in the fields of textiles, specialty chemicals, professional cleaning, and cosmetics.
In surface science, it is essential to implement applied research on new applications and devices that use nanostructured materials. At our company, we will focus on nanotechnology based on conventional surface science.
Additionally, our group has established a code of conduct for each and every employee to "fulfill our social responsibility through environment and safety first thinking."
We are actively promoting R&D of environmentally friendly products and are responding to the changes in the environment and society while reducing the environmental impact of our customers as well as our products.



Respond quickly to the need with technology

NICCA CHEMICAL has grown by applying its textile technologies to other businesses.
Beginning with surfactants for textile processing in 1941, we then expanded into the cleaning and pulp and paper industries where materials are used like fibers. Metalworking detergents and cosmetics were also developed from techniques for washing or dyeing fibers.
Along with the development of the textile industry, we have been expanding rapidly overseas thanks to our technology background.
Currently, we have 14 bases in 9 countries and regions, based mostly in Asia. In addition to providing local technical support in the textile processing field, we are also able to provide global products by planning and developing in Japan for overseas sales, among other things.



VISION

Open Innovation + Solutions Create new value together with our customers.

Our strength lies in providing on-site, customer-driven solutions based on our core technologies and the accumulated knowledge and expertise we have refined since our founding. When customers face challenges or difficulties in implementing new technologies, we work together with them to find solutions. Our on-site-oriented approach, in which sales and research collaborate closely, originated from textile processing chemicals and has been applied to other fields and overseas markets.

In recent years, we have been promoting our

“EHD strategy,” which focuses on three key areas: Environment, Health, and Digital (advanced materials). Under this strategy, we have developed products that combine environmental performance with high functionality, such as fluorine-free water-repellent agents, water-based polyurethane resin, and chemicals for semiconductor processing, in response to customer needs and market demands.

While contributing to the resolution of social issues and striving for a sustainable future, NICCA remains

committed to working closely with customers to solve their challenges collaboratively.

The NICCA Innovation Center (NIC) opened in November 2017. Two Institutes of surface science and hair science will accelerate the creation of new products and businesses by further reducing the distance between our customers and business partners and combining internal and external information and ideas.



NICCA Innovation Center (NIC)

As a platform for collaboration

NICCA CHEMICAL has developed as an R&D-oriented company. We have been collaborating with educational institutions such as universities and research institutes since early on. We will continue to promote open innovation to create new business by actively utilizing NIC as a platform for collaboration between industry, government and academic research institutes, and actively exchanging research across different fields.

Textile chemicals

Total support for textile processing is provided through the technology that has been cultivated since our founding. Contributing to the development of the global textile industry.

Japan's textile processing technology is a global leader among the world's textile industry. NICCA CHEMICAL is a leading manufacturer of all textile processing chemicals that are essential to the process of textile products, from spinning, weaving and knitting to scouring, bleaching, dyeing, printing and finishing. We will work to develop processes and products that can contribute to the provision of new added value to textile products and the reduction of environmental impact.



Along with the continuously growing global textile industry

The stage of NICCA CHEMICAL, which has been supporting the growth of the textile industry, is not limited to Japan. Since the first joint venture in Taiwan was launched in 1968, we have been developing products, technical services, and local production that are rooted in the local market, especially in China and Southeast Asia, and have been providing services to local customers as well as Japanese customers. In the future we will further expand business to Southwest Asia, South America, Europe and will continue to contribute to the growing global textile industry.



Top share in domestic textile processing chemicals for Japan

Processing of fibers whose required process varies depending on the material and application. Becoming the final sewn product from thread takes a very long process. Our company, which has solved all of the problems we faced alongside our customers since our founding, has a wealth of experience in all processes and provides technical support. We are also expanding these activities overseas and have been highly regarded by our customers both in Japan and abroad.



Contributing to reducing the environmental impact of the textile industry

In 2013, we became the first Japanese manufacturer of textile processing chemicals to become a bluesign system partner. We are working to improve the safety of the environment, workers, and consumers of the entire supply chain related to textile production. We also joined ZDHC* in 2018. Through active engagement with textile processing supply chains (apparels, retails, textile processing manufacturers, materials manufacturers, etc.), we will continue to contribute to the achievement of ZDHC's philosophy by providing textile processing chemicals that take into consideration the sustainable conservation of consumers, workers, and the environment.

* ZDHC: ZDHC Roadmap to Zero Programme (zero-emission programs for hazardous chemical substances)

The world's leading textile processing agents.

Specialty Chemicals/Professional Cleaning/Medical Cleaning Agents

Leveraging surface science as our core technology, we expand our business domains through advanced molecular and product design.

NICCA developed our business primarily in textile processing chemicals utilizing our core technology of interface science. By advancing technologies for washing, dyeing, and functionalizing fibers, we have expanded into cleaning and pulp & paper industries. We will continue to pursue the potential of interface science while creating products and services that contribute to new fields and a sustainable society.



Expanding applications in functional materials through molecular design technologies.

Centered on alkylene oxide (AO) addition technology, we provide a wide range of products including industrial cleaners such as metal cleaning agents, defoamers, and deinking agents for pulp and paper. In recent years, we have also focused on product design using naturally derived raw materials, expanding into thermal paper color developers and pulp & paper chemicals. We will continue to enhance added value while incorporating environmentally conscious perspectives such as low carbon emissions and resource circulation.



Technologies for Polymer and Surface Science to Nanotechnology

Based on polymer and surface science technology, urethane resins, polyester resins, silicones, fluorine derivatives, artificial nucleic acids, etc. are provided to fields such as automobiles, infrastructure, life sciences, etc. In recent years, application research for new applications using nanostructured materials is indispensable to meet customer's high-speed demands. Utilizing our expertise of surface science essential for nanotechnology, we are developing a variety of technologies, in the advanced materials fields such as nanoparticles and electronic materials.



As the leading manufacturer of professional-use cleaning detergents

As the top manufacturer of chemicals for professional-use cleaning detergents and linen supply industries, we are constantly researching and developing new processing methods and technologies, offering a variety of chemicals with added value. Taking advantage of these knowledge, we are also expanding our business into cleaning for medical devices/instruments, which requires more advanced technology and quality.



As the leading manufacturer of professional cleaning detergents

Cosmetics

Our mission is to bring women naturally healthy, beautiful hair through hair science and advanced technology.



Applying in-depth knowledge and technology from the textile field to shampoos, treatments, perms, and hair colors, such as washing, slipping, and dyeing.
By supporting the theories we have cultivated in hair science, we are pursuing the health and beauty of hair.



DEMI COSMETICS, a major brand in the professional salon industry

DEMI COSMETICS branched out as a cosmetics division of NICCA CHEMICAL, a leading textile processing chemicals company. Under the "scientific study of hair" concept as a professional hair products manufacturer, we are conducting R&D with a focus on hair materials and developing unique products that are one step ahead of market needs. We contribute to the development of the beauty industry and salons by providing high-quality products and various educational programs that customers demand.



The Institute of Hair Science and Technology, which is constantly seeking new technologies

The Institute of Hair Science and Technology conducts scientific analysis of Japanese hair and scalps as well as research on formulas and ingredients, leading to innovative product development. In close collaboration with hair salons, who are also hair specialists, we have created a number of unique formulations, including hair care, styling, scalp care, hair color, and perms. In addition, we continue to pursue the creation of better products by conducting joint research and product development with research institutes, acquiring patents, and presenting at academic conferences.



Various developments

DEMI COSMETICS, a mainstay brand, has developed globally in the beauty industry not only in Japan, but also mainly in Asian countries like South Korea, Taiwan, and others. Group companies are also developing "EraL", an aging care brand based on hair science and dermatology, and "ansage", a skin care brand. In addition, branch company, Yamada Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., undertakes a variety of initiatives throughout the Group, such as supporting the creation of new businesses via business partners through ODM and OEM.



Scientific evolution,
towards the true value of beauty

Production technology

Production networks that connect domestic and international to meet global customer needs.

Developing and producing high-quality, high-performance products on a global scale in a timely manner to meet the needs of increasingly sophisticated customers.

Based on thorough production management, we have constructed a flexible production system to reduce the environmental impact of our products and to cope with the production of small quantities and many different types of products.



Advanced production technology in cooperation with R&D

In order to meet the increasingly sophisticated needs of our customers in the changing market environment, we are constantly working closely with our R&D divisions to meet these needs with advanced production technologies while also developing and producing high-quality, high-performance products quickly and efficiently.

In addition, we have established networks of domestic and overseas production bases to provide products of the same quality on a global and speedy basis.



Supply of safe and secure products through thorough production control

In order to cope not only with the automated production of chemicals and cosmetics, but also with the production of small quantities and large varieties of products, we have built a rational and flexible production system through functional production facilities and excellent quality control.

In addition to acquiring ISO9001 certification, the cosmetics factory along with group company, Yamada pharmaceuticals, also acquired ISO22716 certification, and manufactures products under a sophisticated control system throughout the entire group, providing a stable supply of safe and secure products that are planned and controlled worldwide.



Reducing environmental impact of production activities

Not only we are promoting the development of products that can contribute to reducing the environmental impact of our customers, but we are also making efforts to reduce the environmental impact of our business activities at all stages, including the prevention of global warming, energy conservation, and the reduction of waste and hazardous chemical substances.

We are also working on carbon offsets and other measures in addition to drastically reducing wastewater and electricity consumption in order to obtain and continuously maintain ISO 14001 certification.



Production system that produces high quality, high performed products.



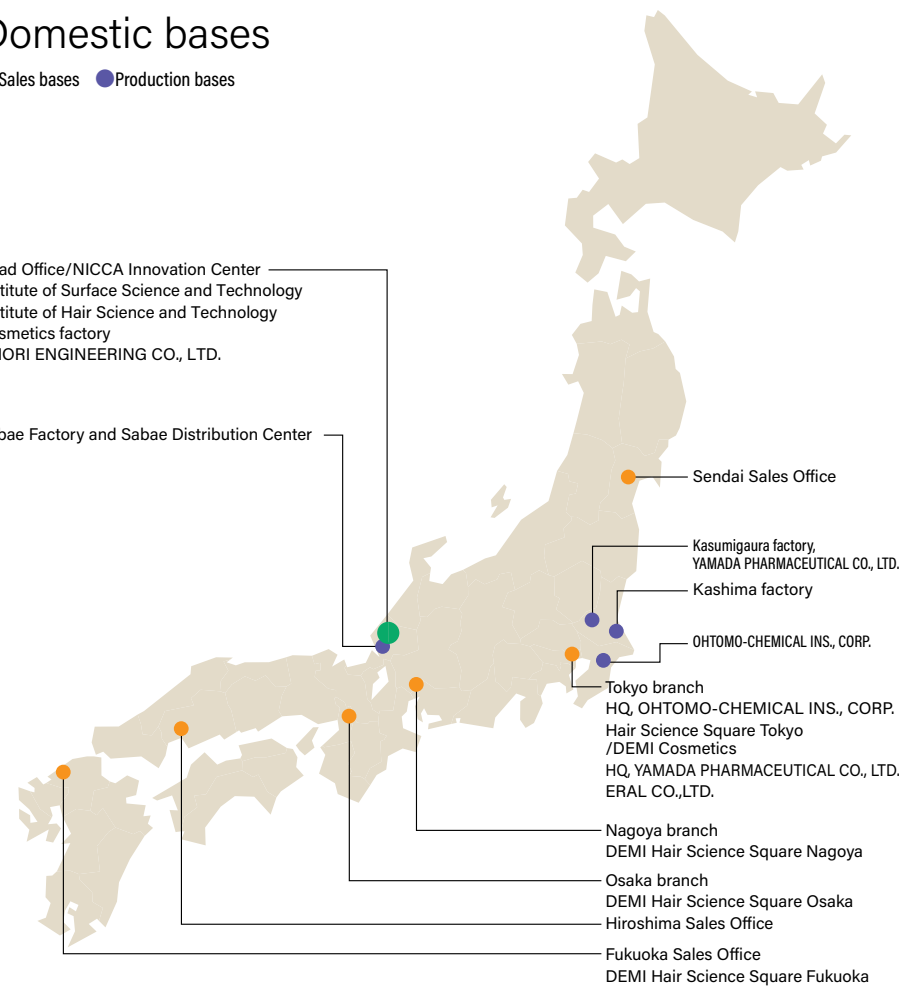


Domestic bases

● Sales bases ● Production bases

Head Office/NICCA Innovation Center
Institute of Surface Science and Technology
Institute of Hair Science and Technology
Cosmetics factory
EMORI ENGINEERING CO., LTD.

Sabae Factory and Sabae Distribution Center



Overseas site

● Sales bases ● R&D bases ● Production bases

NICCA CHEMICAL (CHINA) CO., LTD.



Qingdao Branch
Shanghai Branch

NICCA CHEMICAL RESEARCH (SHANGHAI) CO., LTD.

GUANGZHOU NICCA CHEMICAL CO., LTD.



DONGGUAN NICCA NEW MATERIAL CO., LTD.

NICCA INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

NICCA BANGLADESH CO., LTD.

STC NICCA CO., LTD.

