100-year History



A Century of Sumitomo Chemical: Changing with the Times and **Growing Diverse Businesses** around the World

> 1913



The Sumitomo Fertilizer Manufactory was founded to prevent pollution caused by gas emissions from copper smelting

Sumitomo Chemical's start was removing harmful sulfur dioxide from the exhaust gas generated during copper smelting at the Besshi Copper Mine in the Shikoku region of Japan, which was the core business of Sumitomo, and manufacturing fertilizers from the exhaust gas.

) 1944



Japan Dyestuff Manufacturing Company Kasugade Works

Entering the fine chemicals business

Sumitomo Chemical merged with Japan Dyestuff Manufacturing Company, which was engaged in the fine chemicals business, including dyes and pharmaceuticals.

) 1953



Pynamin Plant (Torishima, Osaka)

Entering the crop sciences business Started agricultural chemicals business from the launch of Pynamin, a household insecticide

> 1958



Ethylene Plant (Ohe, Ehime)

Entering the petrochemicals business

We brought in technology from outside Japan, built an ethylene plant in the Ohe district of Ehime, and began full-scale operations.

- Net Sales / Sales Revenue*1,2 1915-1977: Non-consolidated 1978-2018: Consolidated
- *1 Since FY2016, Sumitomo Chemical has used IFRS.
- *2 In FY1995, Sumitomo Chemical changed its fiscal year to end on March 31. Revenue from January-March 1995 has been added to FY1994.

1915 1920 1925 1930 1935 1940 1945

Sumitomo Chemical's Transition

1915-1944 Building a Foundation as a Chemical Manufacturer

1945-1974 Growing into a Diversified Chemical Manufacturer

Social Trend

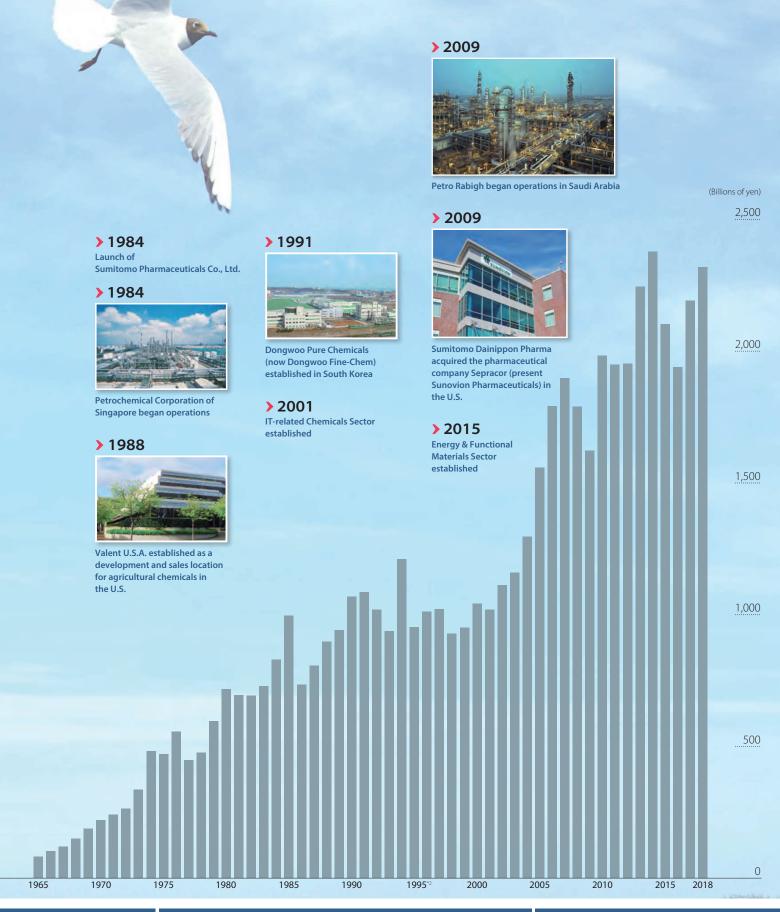
1914-1918 World War I

World Depression

1939-1945 World War I 1954-1973

High economic growth period

Tokyo Olympics



1975-2004 Expanding All Businesses Globally

2005-Deepening Global Business

1973 The first oil shock

1978 The second oil shock 1985 1989 Plaza Accord Fall of the Berlin Wall

Nikkei stock average 1987 up to historical highs Black Monday 1999 European single currency Euro birth

European debt crisis
2008

2012

2001 Terrorist attacks in the United States

Financial crisis