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Fuji Machine Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

## **Fuji Machine Manufacturing to start accepting orders for mobility support robot "Hug L1"**

- Preorders for mobility support robot "Hug L1" will be accepted from April 2018 -

Fuji Machine Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (headquarters: Chiryu, Aichi; president & CEO: Mr. Nobuyuki Soga; hereafter called as "Fuji") has developed a new mobility support robot "Hug L1", purpose built to help those with age-related mobility issues in the home. Preorders for the "Hug L1" will be accepted from April 2018.

### **Background**

One of the challenges our society is facing is the aging population. The number of elderly persons requiring care is increasing, yet the number of those able to provide that care is decreasing. In Japan where the aging population outweighs that of other nations, the trend toward nuclear families is increasing and for that reason the number of households in which elderly care is provided by an older person is growing each year. With this challenge in mind, Fuji has developed the "Hug L1" as an at home model. This follows our first mobility support robot, the "Hug T1", which started selling in April 2016.

### **Product features**

- (1) It has been built lighter to make it easier to use in the at-home care environment.
- (2) Compact design means that it can be maneuvered into the right spot even in tight spaces.
- (3) The robot is used to perform lifting work, reducing the physical burden on caregivers.
- (4) No difficult preparation work required. Ready in mere moments whenever needed.

### **Future developments**

We plan to be able to ship out 50 "Hug L1" robots in the first year, and increase that to 200 in the following year. Official sales are scheduled to begin in July, and we also intend to be able to provide rental plans through nursing care insurance. (Please inquire for prices within Japan.)

### **Company profile**

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