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Two New Items in the Zero Meat Series of Foods Made without

Animal-based Ingredients

TOKYO, Japan, February 25, 2022—Otsuka Foods Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Chuo Ward, Osaka; President: Koichi Shiraishi) announced today that it will release two new items in its series of Zero Meat products made from soy*1 without animal-based ingredients*2 for sale in stores: Zero Meat Nuggets, the first frozen food product in the series, on March 1, 2022, and Zero Meat Herb Sausages on March 28, 2022.

Influenced by the SDGs, consumer awareness and values have changed in recent years, shifting toward sustainable living and behavior that is eco-friendly. In response to this change, various plant-based foods that make full use of food tech have appeared and are attracting international attention. In this changing environment, the market for soy meat is expanding year-by-year, and there is a growing need for products that are easier to use for everyday meals.

The new Zero Meat Nuggets were commercialized as a plant-based food with a mild flavor that children will particularly enjoy. Moreover, it is a frozen food product with a subdivided tray so that customers can stock it in their home freezers and enjoy their desired amount at any time.

Zero Meat Herb Sausages offer an enjoyable herb and lemon flavor and it can be served as a snack or a topping for salads. With more and more people valuing time spent at home due to recent changes in living environments, these sausages can be enjoyed during private time on weekends.

Going forward, Otsuka Foods will continue to contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by communicating the value of plant-based foods, including soy meat, in a variety of ways.

 $[\]ensuremath{\,\times\,} 1$: These products are made with a soy -based processed food

^{*2:} Animal-based ingredients in clude beef, pork, chicken, eggs, milk, honey, and other livestockproducts, as well as







Zero Meat Herb Sausages