



Chemicals That Power Progress

Osaka's Okuno Chemical Industries is dedicated to advancing essential industrial processes, enabling many of the products that we rely on today.



Naoki Okuno

President and CEO
Okuno Chemical Industries Co., Ltd.

Japanese companies often thrive for generations thanks to their personal approach to business. As Naoki Okuno, president of Osaka-based Okuno Chemical Industries, puts it, “Building trust with customers is essential, while continuously developing employees is crucial.” Founded over a century ago, Okuno has continually adapted—shifting from Japan’s first domestic baking powder producer to a key player in modern electronics. Their “TORYZA El Process” chemical system (a play on *oryza*, the Latin term for rice, a staple food) is now widely used in the semiconductor industry. “We hope this will now become a staple of our future,” said Okuno. To support local and global clients, the company has expanded overseas, launching Okuno India this year. “We’ll open a sales office in Vietnam by 2026 and then soon look to establish a surface treatment R&D facility in Thailand,” Okuno added. Sustainability is also a growing focus. In 2024, Okuno opened its eco-friendly iCUBE plant, designed to foster collaboration, promote green initiatives and support digital transformation. “It’s been a turning point, helping employees feel a stronger sense of ownership,” said Okuno.

