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# Japan signs health agreement with Denmark

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The health minister at Denmark, Ellen Trane Nørby, has signed an agreement with the Japanese deputy minister for health, work and welfare, Mizhho Onuma, on her recent visit to Tokyo.

The agreement will pave the way for increased co-operation between the two countries in the health sphere and lead to regular meetings so that expertise and experience can be exchanged.

It seems that Denmark can learn a lot from Japan. The minister hopes the agreement will also provide opportunities for Danish research and business.

According to the Foreign Ministry, the forthcoming free trade agreement between the EU and Japan will also increase Danish exports by up to 70 percent.

Japan is the world's second-largest market for medicines, and these topped the list of Danish exports to Japan in 2016. The Japanese market for health related products is expected to have grown by 50 percent by 2025.