

Press Release

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DMG MORI SAILING TEAM DMG MORI SAILING TEAM finished the preliminary race to win a ticket to the Vendée Globe2020

Mr. Kojiro Shiraishi from DMG MORI SAILING TEAM (hereinafter referred to as “the team”), established by DMG MORI CO., LTD. (hereinafter referred to as “DMG MORI”) in October 2018, finished a trans-Atlantic race called “Vendée-Arctique-Les Sables d'Olonne” (hereinafter referred to as “the preliminary race”). As a result, the team won a ticket to the solo, round-the-world race without assistance, “Vendée Globe 2020,” starting from November 8th, 2020.

The team will continue training at the home port of Lorient, France and aim for completion of the Vendée Globe 2020

Comment from Mr. Kojiro Shiraishi (the team's skipper)

“I am very grateful that we successfully completed the team's very first race. We truly appreciate the financial and emotional support from the sponsors and fans among others.

We found many issues during the race, including the ones related to electrical and hardware designs, strategies, and physical strength. In a sense, the race turned out to be the best practice for the Vendée Globe2020. We will improve each point and make the yacht fully ready for the 80-day, round-the-world yacht race.

We will continuously stand united to cross the finish line of the Vendée Globe2020. Your continuous support is greatly appreciated.”

< Results of the Vendée-Arctique-Les Sables d'Olonne:>

Name:	Vendée-Arctic-Les Sables d'Olonne
Race started at:	15:30 on July 4th (Sat)
Mr. Shiraishi's record:	10 days 11 hours 30 minutes 29 seconds
Mr. Shiraishi's rank:	10th (out of 20 contestants: 3 retired)
Official website:	https://www.imoca.org/en/races/imoca-globe-series/vendee-arctique-les-sables-d-olonne



DMG MORI Global One upon departure



Mr. Kojiro Shiraishi returning to Les Sables d'Olonne

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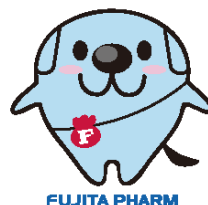


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