

# **5G for eHealth**

## **- 5G Utilization in Telemedicine -**

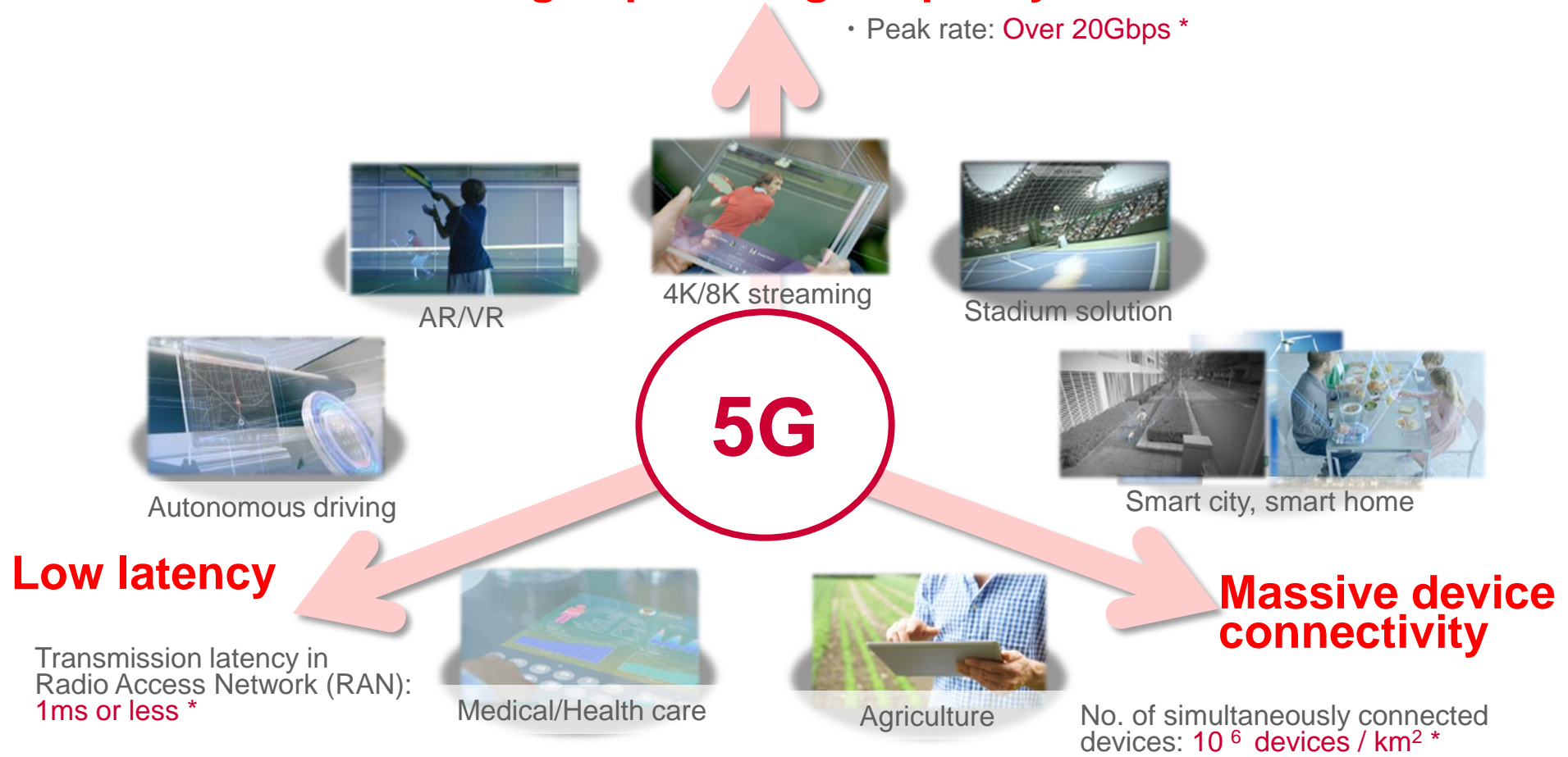
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# Introduction

# 5G Features

## High speed/large capacity

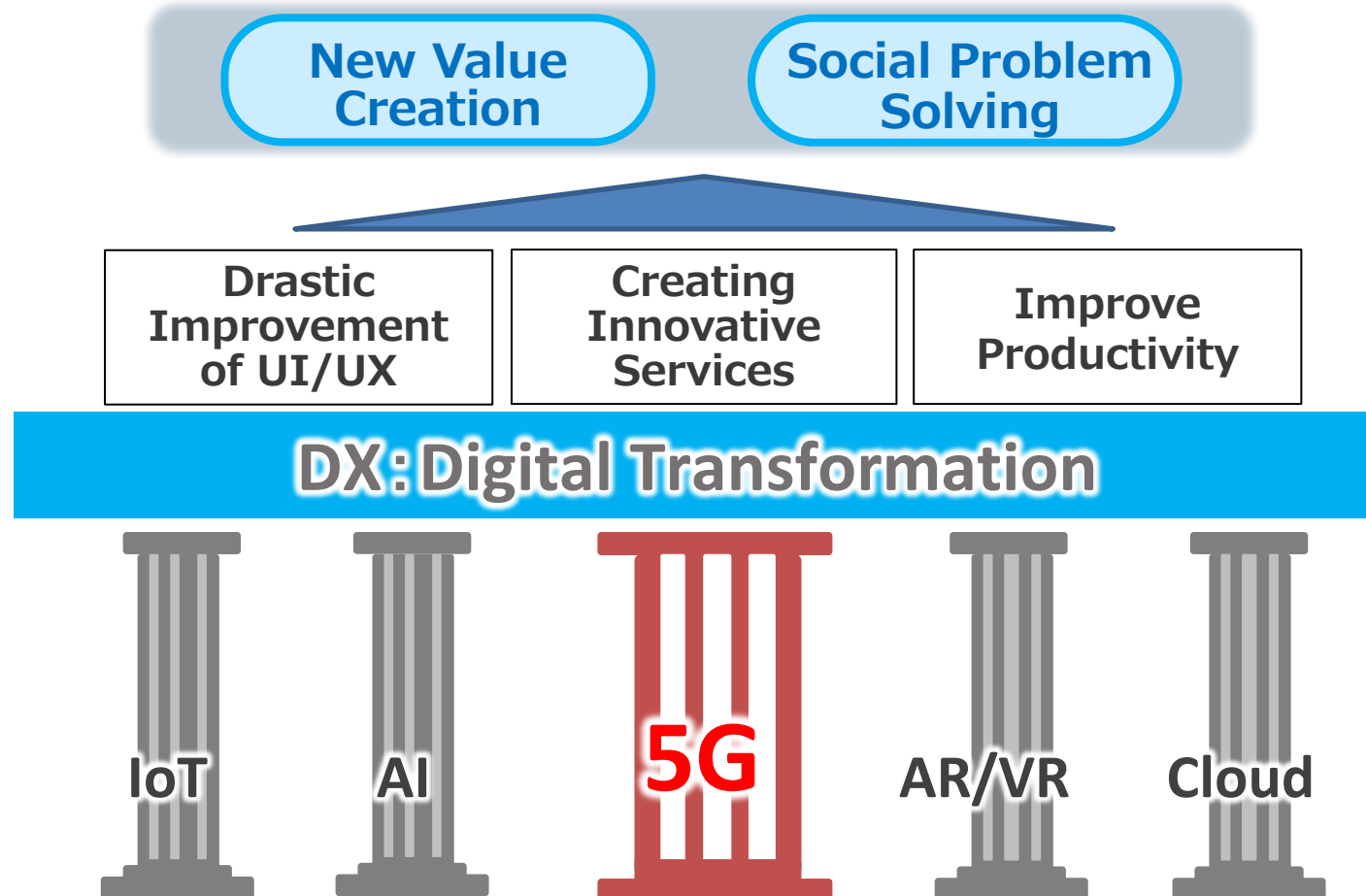
• Peak rate: **Over 20Gbps** \*



\* Target requirement indicated in ITU-R M.2083-0

# Significance of 5G Introduction

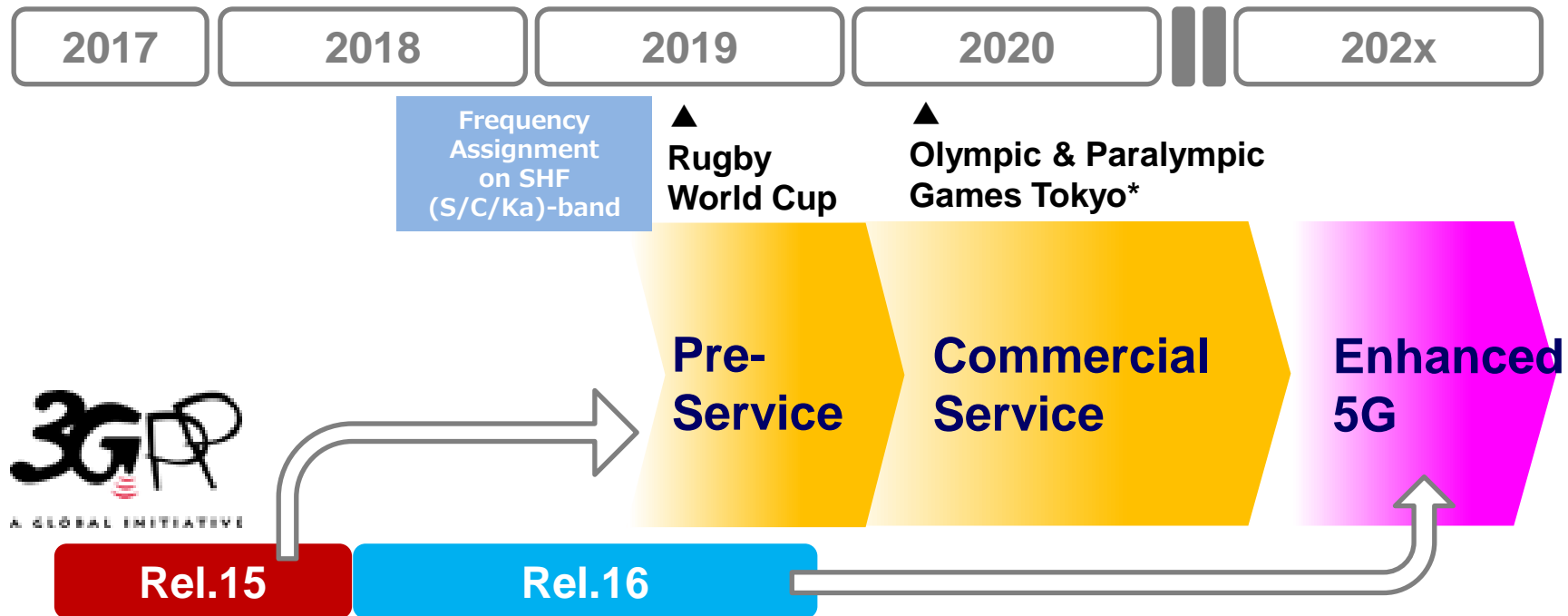
Promote “5G” as a pillar of digital transformation



# 5G Launch Schedule Assumed by NTT DOCOMO

**Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019: Started "Preliminary Service"**

**Spring, 2020: Starting "Commercial Service"**



\* NTT Group is a Gold Partner (Telecommunications Services) of Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

# Field Trials on New Services by 5G

# Japanese MIC's Projects toward 5G Realization

- 5G R&D projects on elemental technologies in 5G such as ultra high speed, large system capacity, low-latency, massive connection were led by MIC for 4 years
- 5G field trials with 3 years have been held in all over Japan on various application-specific fields for social implementation of 5G

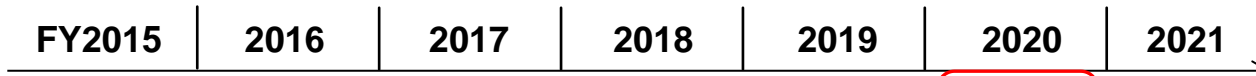
Examples of 5G Field Trial



Outdoor experiment in open square with many people



Coverage verification experiment in large site and outdoor driving experiment



**5G R&D Projects (2015-2018)**

- Research on elemental technologies in 5G (Ultra high speed, Large capacity, low-latency, Massive connection, ...)
- Collaborative research with Europe



**5G Field Trials (2017-2019)**

- System trial allowing user participation is held in Tokyo and local areas
- Experiments in various fields including logistics and sports

Studies on 5G applications and services

**World's first social implementation of 5G**

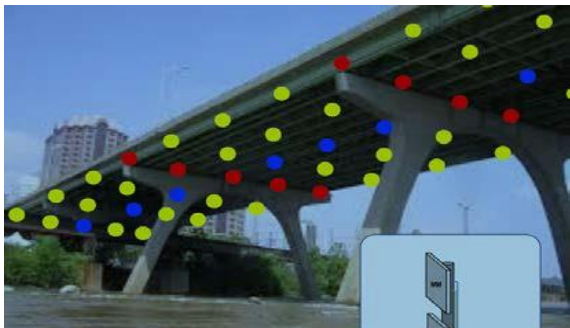
Further evolution

# Overview of 5G Field Trials in FY2018

massive Machine Type Communications (mMTC)



(Stock management)



(Bridge inspection)

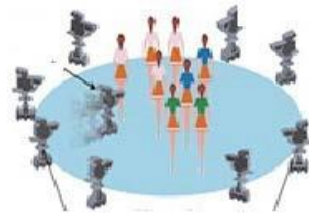
enhanced Mobile Broad Band (eMBB)



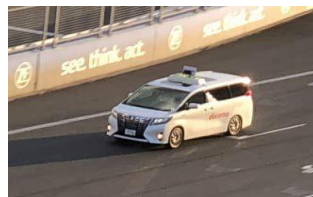
(Multi-transmission of 8K video)



(Sports)



(Telemedicine)



(Transmission to car/train @ over 60mph)



Ultra-Reliable Low Latency Communications (URLLC)



(Remote machinery control)



(Truck platooning)



	Technology	Responsible Organization	Main Partners	Trial Overview	Main Trial Locations
G-I	eMBB	NTT DOCOMO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOBUTOWER SKYTREE</li> <li>• ALSOK (Security)</li> <li>• Fukui Pref.</li> <li>• Wakayama Pref.</li> <li>• Aizu-Wakamatsu City</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AR/VR content</b></li> <li>• <b>Monitoring and Security</b></li> <li>• <b>Medical Services</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kyoto</li> <li>• Gunma</li> <li>• Tokushima</li> <li>• Wakayama</li> </ul>
G-II	eMBB	NTT Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tobu Railway</li> <li>• West Japan Railway Company</li> <li>• Infocity (Contents Company)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Transport (High speed railway)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ibaraki</li> <li>• Tokyo</li> </ul>
G-IV	eMBB	ATR (Research Corporation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kyushu Institute of Tech.</li> <li>• Keikyu Railways</li> <li>• Waseda Univ.</li> <li>• Maehara elementary school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Smart factory</b></li> <li>• <b>Station</b></li> <li>• <b>School education</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fukuoka</li> <li>• Haneda Airport International Terminal Station</li> </ul>
G-V	URLLC	Softbank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Smart Mobility Corp.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Transport</b></li> <li>• <b>Car remote control</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yamaguchi</li> <li>• Shizuoka</li> </ul>
G-III	URLLC × eMBB	KDDI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obayashi Corp. (Construction)</li> <li>• NEC (Appliance manufacturer)</li> <li>• The Univ. of Tokyo.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Remote Construction</b></li> <li>• <b>Drone surveillance</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Osaka</li> <li>• Nagano</li> <li>• Hiroshima</li> </ul>
G-VI	mMTC	Wireless City Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pacific Consultants (Construction consultant)</li> <li>• NICT (National Institute)</li> <li>• Higashihiroshima City</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Smart highway</b></li> <li>• <b>Smart office</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aichi</li> <li>• Hiroshima</li> </ul>

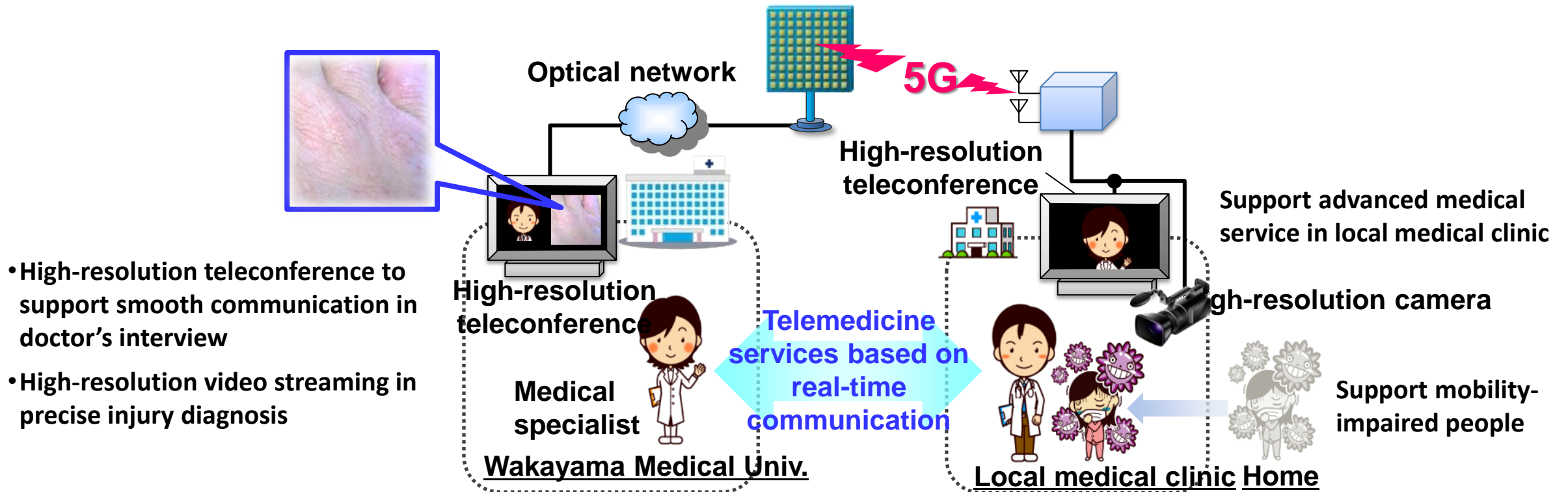
## 5G Field Trials on New Applications in Medical Field

From 2017, the system trials in the area of telemedicine using 5G was planned and started by Wakayama Prefecture, Wakayama Medical University and NTT DOCOMO.



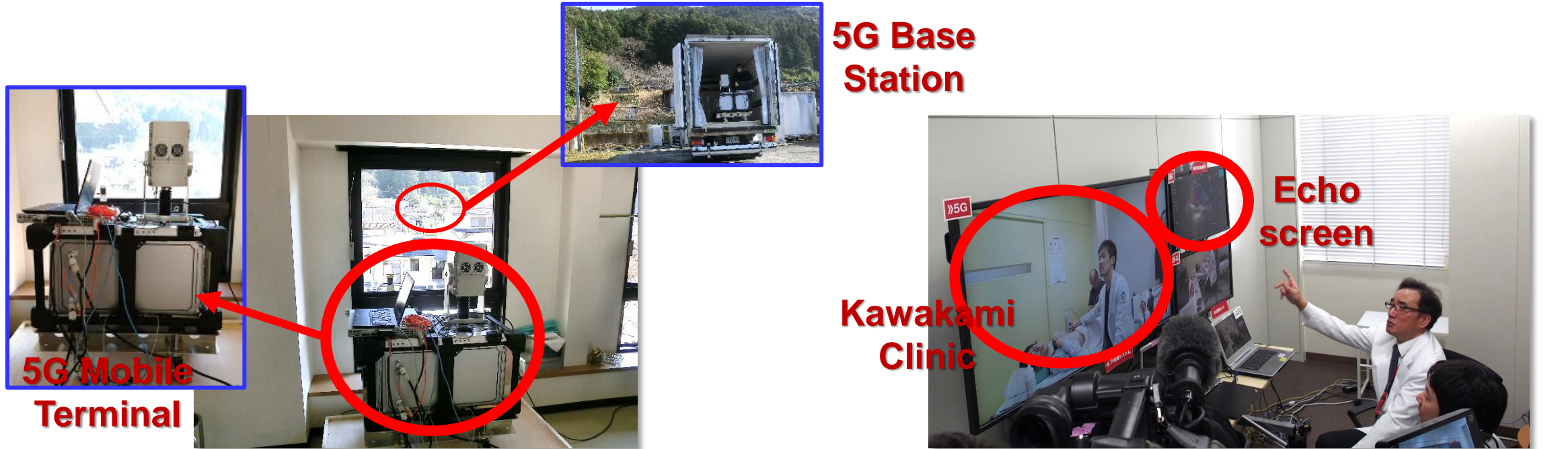
# 5G Field Trials on New Applications in Medical Field

In FY2017, first field trials on **the advancement of telemedicine services** using high-definition video transmission using ultra-high-speed communication of **the fifth generation mobile communications system (5G)** was conducted to provide **advanced medical care** of urban general hospitals **in mountainous and depopulated areas**.



## FY2017 5G Telemedicine Field Trials

Actual field trials of remote medical care were conducted using 5G & Optical link between Medical University and Hidakagawa National Health Insurance Kawakami Clinic for about 3 weeks from the end of February 2018

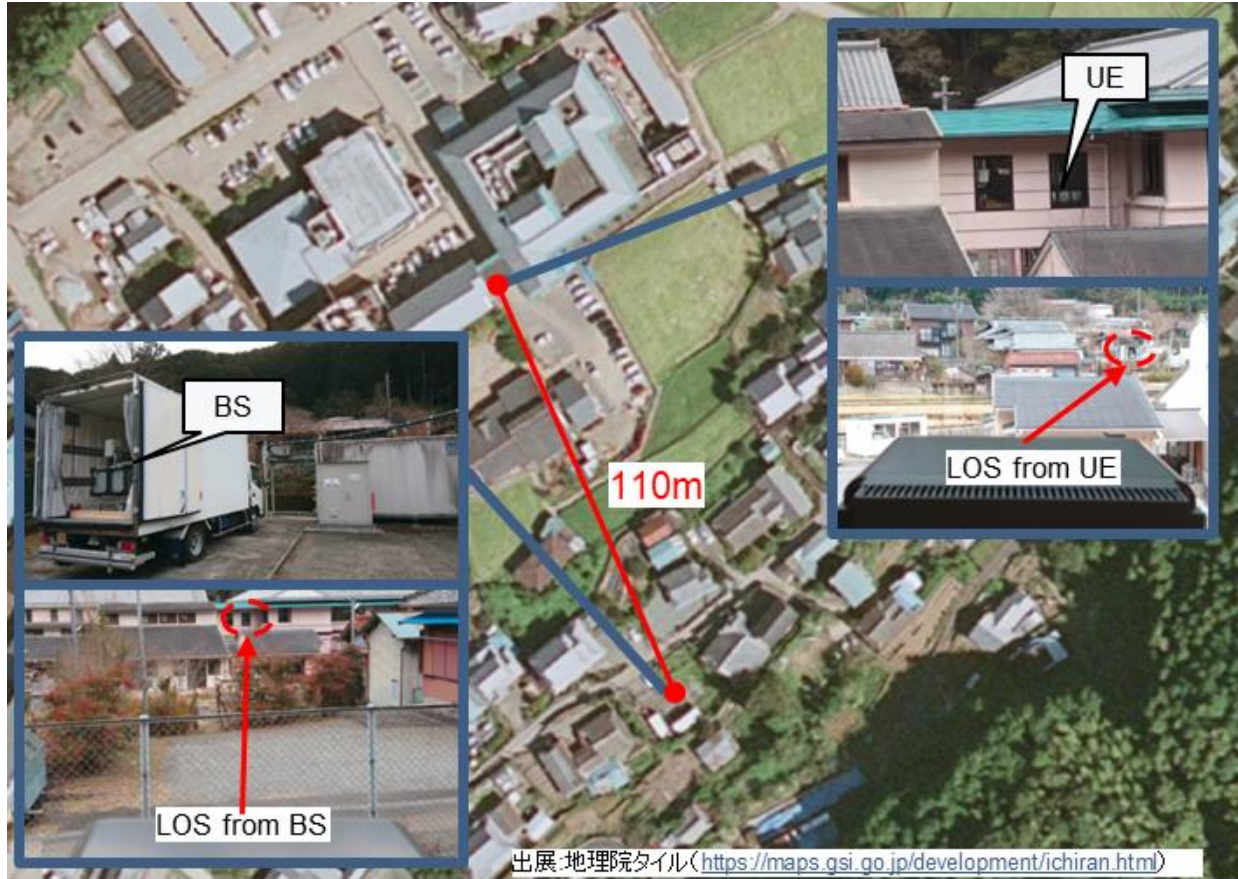


**5G Radio Equipment at Clinic**

**Medical University Remote Outpatient Room**

# FY2017 5G Telemedicine Field Trials

## Field trial environment



## Used equipment for telemedicine



4K teleconference system



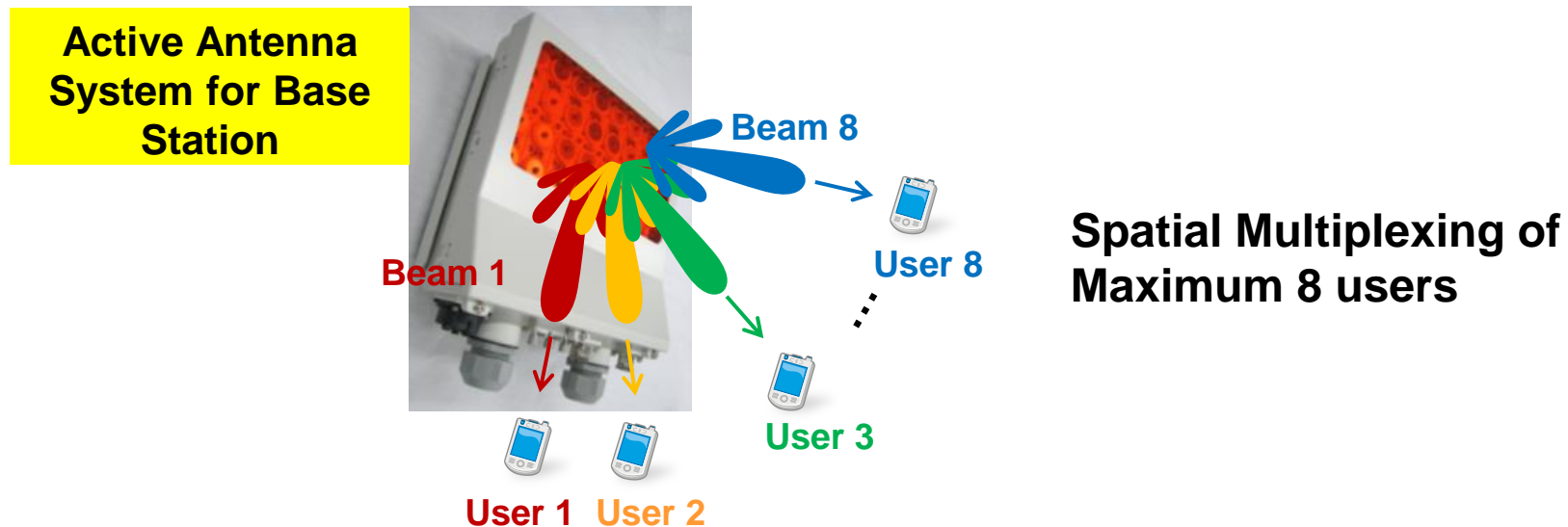
4K close-up camera



Tablet-type ultrasonic image diagnosis (echography)

# 5G Radio Transmission Equipment

**High frequency utilization efficiency** and **high-speed communication** are realized by full digital beam forming technology using a large number of antenna elements.



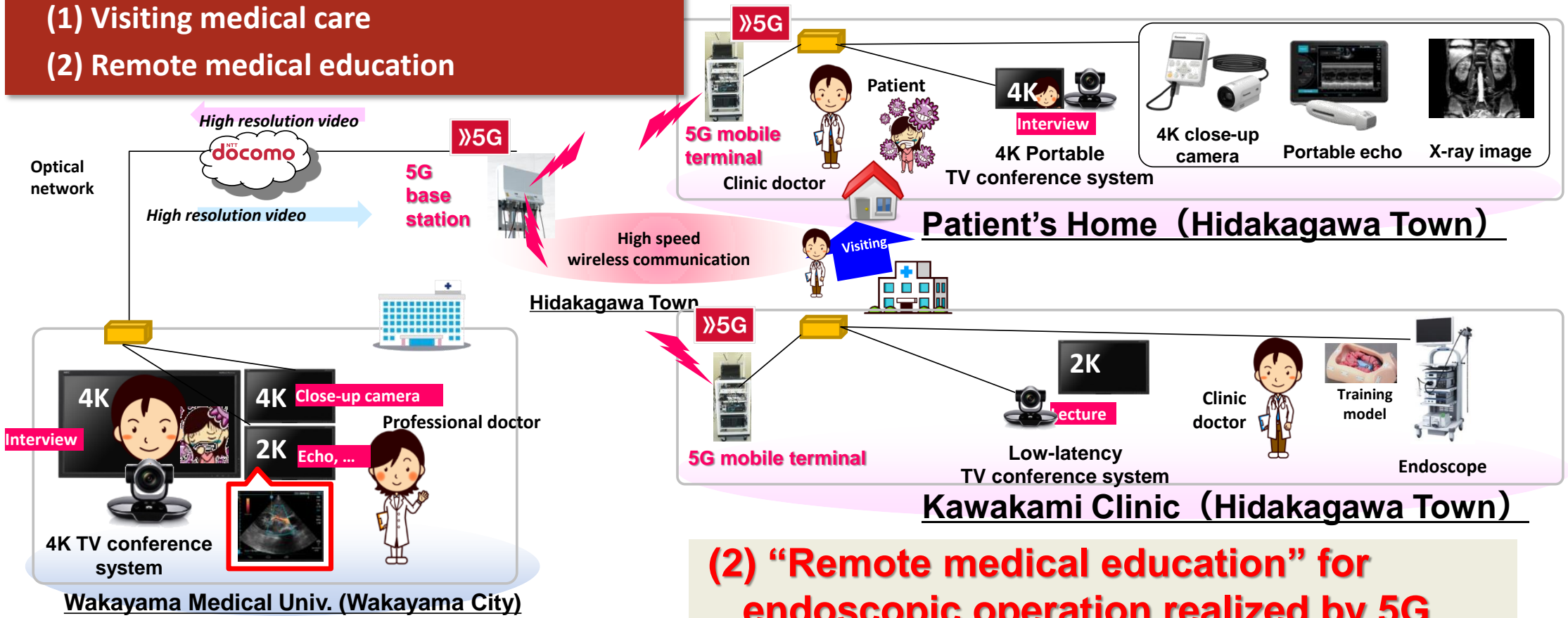
## Specification of 5G Radio Transmission Equipment

Frequency	Band width	Antenna elements	Spatial MUX	Maximum throughput
C-band	100MHz	BS : 64 Mobile : 2	BS : 16 Mobile : 2	5.6Gbps

# FY2018 5G Telemedicine Field Trials

- C-band 5G area is widely provided
- Field trials of 5G telemedicine for
  - (1) Visiting medical care
  - (2) Remote medical education

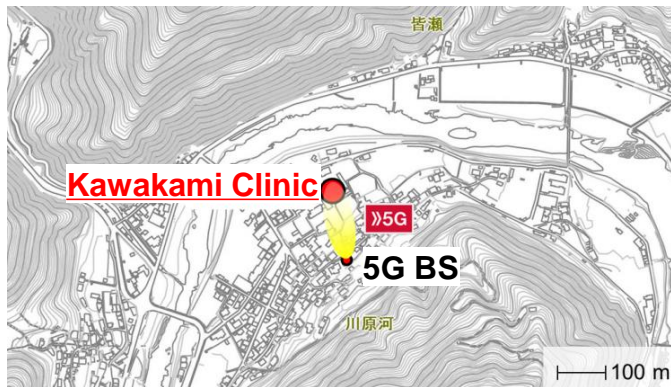
## (1) Internal medical treatment for “visiting medical care” realized by 5G



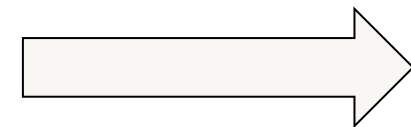
## (2) “Remote medical education” for endoscopic operation realized by 5G

## FY2018 5G Telemedicine Field Trials

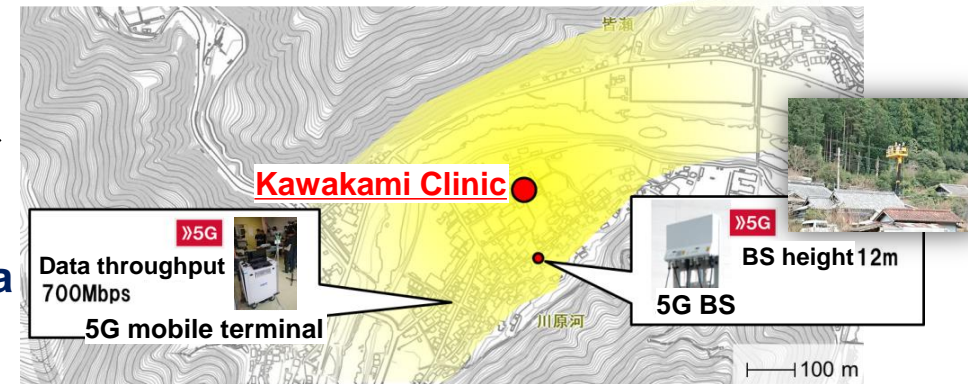
- In FY2018, a base station was installed at a height close to realistic station design, and the entire area of Miyama, Hidakagawa, Wakayama Prefecture was covered by 5G communication area
- A maximum throughput of 700Mbps was confirmed at the patient's home



Field Trials Area in 2017



Expand 5G communication area (yellow area) from line to surface



Field Trials Area in 2018



# (1) Results of Field Trials on “Visiting Medical Care” with Remote Support

A doctor of a rural clinic visits patient’s home and tries to do medical treatment by sharing “echo” images with a remote medical specialist and by getting help with the specialist



Wakayama Medical University Hospital  
Department of Cardiovascular Image Dynamics  
Associate Professor Hozumi

By sharing high resolution echo images, I can do medical treatment as same as I do on face-to-face. I’d like to use this system as soon as possible.



## (2) Results of Field Trials on “Medical Training” with Remote Support

A specialist watches real-time images of endoscope operated by young doctor through TV conference system and supports him



Wakayama Medical University Hospital  
Second Course of Internal Medicine  
Professor Kitano,

Despite the lecture for a doctor who does not get used to using endoscope, he allowed smooth operation. I felt endoscopic examination for actual patient will be also achievable.



# Advanced Paramedical Service by 5G

## Field Trial on Realizing Efficient Emergency Patient Transport



Possibility of advanced registration of a patient by exploiting information from the ambulance and doctor car shared via 5G with the accepting emergency hospital

## Advanced Paramedical Service by 5G



**Echo Image Transmitted by 5G  
from Doctor-car**

**4G Quality (reference)**