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Car equipped with YOKOHAMA's ADVAN racing tires captures GT300 class series championships in 2020 SUPER GT

Tokyo—The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., is pleased to announce that the Realize Nissan Automobile Technical College GT-R, equipped with YOKOHAMA's ADVAN racing tires, has captured the GT300 class drivers and team championship titles in the 2020 AUTOBACS SUPER GT series, Japan's ultimate touring car race series, after finishing second in the series final event held at the Fuji Speedway in Shizuoka Prefecture on November 28–29.

Entering the series final Round 8 atop the team ranking after first-place finishes in Round 5 and Round 7, Realize Nissan Automobile Technical College GT-R (drivers: Kiyoto Fujinami, Joao Paulo de Oliveira) added to its point total by finishing second in this year's final race to secure the series championship. The team's victory, supported by stably outstanding results throughout the season, returns the series championship to a team racing on YOKOHAMA tires for the first time in three years. With Yokohama Rubber also supplying its tires to many other teams competing in the GT300 class, cars running on ADVAN racing tires won four of the series' eight races.

The technology strategy outlined in the company's current medium-term management plan, the Grand Design 2020 (GD2020), positions participation in motorsports activities as crucial to Yokohama Rubber's effort to be at the vanguard of the development of new tire technologies. Yokohama Rubber is therefore participating in a wide variety of events in Japan and around the globe, from top-category races to grassroots races. In this year's SUPER GT series, Yokohama Rubber supplied tires to 20 machines competing in the GT300 class and three machines running in the GT500 races. Overseas, Yokohama Rubber is supporting teams active in a wide range of race categories as part of its effort to promote motorsports around the world. Yokohama Rubber will continue to be actively involved in motorsports as it continues its pursuit of the highest level tire technologies.



Realize Nissan Automobile Technical College GT-R,
the 2020 GT300 class series championship car



Drivers Kiyoto Fujinami (left) and Joao Paulo de Oliveira
on the podium with their championship trophy