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DPT reinforces commitment to semi-solids and liquids market with continued investment in manufacturing facilities

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS – [DPT Laboratories](#), a pharmaceutical contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO), today announced continued investments in its manufacturing facilities that further cement its position as the industry leader for semi-solids and liquids. Since completing \$45 million in capacity expansion and equipment upgrades for its San Antonio, TX and Lakewood, NJ facilities in mid-2010, DPT plans to invest another \$14 million in the facilities.

At its [Center of Excellence for Semi-solids & Liquids](#) in San Antonio, DPT will invest almost \$4 million in additional upgrades to its compounding and packaging facilities, including a washroom expansion for capacity and process flow improvement. Equipment upgrades over the next few months will include a new small-scale compounding suite with two new dissolvers, as well as new infrastructure to handle larger deliveries from suppliers to support increased production at the facility.

After completing \$30 million in expansions and upgrades at its [Center of Excellence for Sterile & Specialty Products](#) in Lakewood last year, DPT will invest another \$10 million in the facility. Equipment upgrades to be in place within the coming months include installation of an innovative new small-volume parenteral filler that is designed to be fully automated, integrated and isolated from vial wash through tray filling. Based on consolidated filling technology, [IMA's Modular Aseptic Compact \(MAC\) System](#) offers the reliability of a fully automated line in 20% of the space. The MAC System will reduce the likelihood of introducing microbiological contamination and make the entire process more efficient.

“These facility and processing upgrades expand our capacity and, most importantly, increase our ability to better serve customers with high-speed, cost-effective manufacturing runs,” said Paul Johnson, president and COO. “Continued investment at this level represents our commitment to maintaining our position as the leading provider of pharmaceutical development and manufacturing services for semi-solid and liquid products.”

DPT restructured its facilities in 2010 to create three [Centers of Excellence](#), each focusing on a particular area of expertise, and made significant investments in expanding facilities and upgrading equipment at two of those sites.

The Center for Sterile & Specialty Products in Lakewood specializes in the development and aseptic manufacturing of clinical trial material and commercial scale products to meet sterile requirements. The \$30 million in infrastructure improvements at the 175,000-square-foot center in 2010 included a new state-of-the-art microbiology laboratory and significant new pharmaceutical clean room assets.

The Center for Semi-solids & Liquids in San Antonio provides cGMP pilot, clinical and commercial scale manufacturing for prescription and over-the-counter products. The center also includes a dedicated cGMP aerosol and pMDI manufacturing facility. A \$15 million expansion at the facility in 2010 increased capacity in its bulk manufacturing and packaging areas to support increased production and capacity.

In addition, DPT's [Center for Research & Development](#) in San Antonio provides pharmaceutical development services to include pre-formulation and formulation development as well as analytical development services. This center performs research and development activities and supports technical transfers to the applicable manufacturing center of excellence.

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About DPT Laboratories

DPT is a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) providing companies the best solutions to their sterile and non-sterile drug development and manufacturing needs through innovation, technology and service. Specializing in semi-solid and liquid dosage forms, DPT has a reputation for quality, unmatched technical expertise, extensive manufacturing capabilities and an exemplary regulatory compliance record. With five cGMP facilities, including R&D, manufacturing and packaging operations in San Antonio and Lakewood, N.J., DPT offers full service outsourcing solutions. For more information, call 210-476-8100 or visit www.DPTLabs.com.