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DPT Laboratories names Kuljit Bhatia Vice President of Research & Development

SAN ANTONIO – DPT Laboratories, a contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO), announced today that Kuljit S. Bhatia, Ph.D., has been named Vice President of Research & Development.

Bhatia, who has more than 15 years of pharmaceutical experience in drug product development, previously was Vice President of Research & Development and Technical Operations at Fougera Pharmaceuticals (formerly Nycomed) in Long Island, NY. At Fougera he led pre-formulation and formulation development, analytical development and validation, process development, technical operations, package engineering and CMC project management. Prior to joining Fougera, he held senior R&D positions at Medicis Pharmaceuticals and Mylan Technologies Inc.

“Dr. Bhatia brings extensive experience in comprehensive pharmaceutical development services, along with specific expertise in the area of topical pharmaceutical products, which applies directly to the semi-solid and liquid dosage forms that are our focus at DPT,” said Paul Johnson, president of DPT. “His broad understanding of the development process will be a critical asset in our efforts to enhance our continuum of services.”

At DPT, Bhatia will provide leadership to the research and pharmaceutical development group and oversee DPT’s Center of Excellence for [Research & Development](#) in San Antonio. Research and development activities at the Center include pre-formulation and formulation development, analytical development and validation, process optimization, regulatory affairs support and transfer to DPT’s Center of Excellence for [Semi-solids and Liquids](#) as well as to their Center of Excellence for [Sterile and Specialty Products](#).

“I am excited to be a part of DPT, which has established a reputation as the leader in semi-solid and liquid development,” Bhatia said. “I believe my experience in pharmaceutical drug development will be a good strategic fit with the strong team of scientists DPT has in place, and I am looking forward to working with them to provide the best solutions to our customers’ needs.”

Bhatia holds a bachelor's degree in pharmacy and a Ph.D. in pharmaceutical science from North Dakota State University, and conducted post doctorate studies in pharmaceutics at the University of Michigan. He is a member of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists and Controlled Release Society and has been published extensively in peer-reviewed journals.



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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.