

BioDuro opens discovery lab in Shanghai

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Singapore: BioDuro, a PPD Company, has opened a new state-of-the-art laboratory in Shanghai, China, strengthening its ability to provide biopharmaceutical clients an extensive range of customized drug discovery services in Asia Pacific.

The new lab also enables the company to better support the business needs of its clients by increasing efficiency during discovery and development, and providing greater consistency among the stages of development. In addition, the location of the lab in the Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone and its proximity to local and multinational pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies in Shanghai will foster their working relationships with BioDuro.

The 72,000-square-foot lab, accompanied by 20,000 square feet of office space, offers integrated drug metabolism and pharmacokinetic (DMPK), bioanalytical, chemistry, discovery biology and oncology pharmacology services. Moreover, because BioDuro is part of the PPD organization, clients also are able to take advantage of a complete menu of clinical research services, as well as an extensive library of assays for testing.

Dr Jasmine Cui, general manager and chief scientific officer of BioDuro, "This new lab will allow us to meet the business needs of our clients more effectively by streamlining the discovery and development process, and continuing to enhance continuity and smooth transitions throughout the stages of development. For example, after a compound goes into Phase 0, the PPD organization can offer full clinical research services to develop the compound through post approval."

BioDuro also has a state-of-the-art, 110,000-square-foot laboratory in Beijing. Through the two operations, BioDuro provides fully integrated, comprehensive drug discovery services covering development from target identification to preclinical/Phase 0.