

Genentech injects \$285 mn in biologics manufacturing

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Singapore: Genentech, a member of the Roche Group, plans to invest more than USD285 million for the expansion of its biologics manufacturing facilities in Vacaville and Oceanside, California.

"This investment and expansion will result in the addition of more than 250 new jobs at the Vacaville and Oceanside facilities over the next four years, bringing the total number of Genentech manufacturing jobs in California to close to 3,000," said Mr. lan Clark, Chief Executive Officer, Genentech. The company currently employs approximately 10,000 people in the state.

These investments in Genentech's biologics manufacturing network will enable the hiring of hundreds of skilled workers, ranging from technicians to scientists and engineers. "California has always had an impressive skilled workforce that has allowed Genentech to hire diverse and talented individuals in various disciplines," Mr. Clark said. "In recent years California has made great strides toward improving the business environment for life sciences innovation and incentivizing manufacturing. We are committed to working with the state to continue this positive progress and make California an even better place to grow the industry."

Genentech's United States manufacturing network spans three locations in California - South San Francisco, Vacaville, and Oceanside - and Hillsboro, Oregon, producing medicines intended for the treatment of a wide range of diseases including cancer, rheumatoid arthritis, and asthma.