

Press release

Syngene expands biopharma-manufacturing capacity

Sets up a state-of-the-art microbial facility; expands mammalian facility

- This enables Syngene to produce a wide variety of biologics drugs ranging from anti-cancer to hormonal disorder therapies among others
- This strengthens Syngene's portfolio as a fully integrated custom biomanufacturer with added mammalian and microbial capabilities for clinical and commercial supplies

(Bengaluru, India, 12 August, 2021) Syngene International, an integrated research, development and cGMP manufacturing services company, has announced the expansion of its biomanufacturing capacity. The Company has set up and commissioned a new microbial cGMP facility and has also expanded the capacity of its mammalian cell manufacturing facility to extend end-to-end Chemistry, Manufacturing and Control (CMC) development solutions for its global clients. Both facilities are located at its Biocon Park campus in Bengaluru, India.

The new microbial facility has two fermenters of 200 Litres and 500 Litres capacity. The microbial facility will provide further integration opportunities with the Company's existing Discovery and Development capabilities and extend service offerings in the space of GMP manufacturing of plasmid DNA and mRNA. In addition to this, another 2000L single use bioreactor will be added to the USFDA and EMA compliant mammalian manufacturing facility. This is expected to strengthen Syngene's service offerings for commercial supply. The expansion is building on Syngene's existing biopharmaceuticals manufacturing capabilities and is aligned with its strategic focus on biologics as one of its future growth drivers.

Commenting on this development, Jonathan Hunt, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Syngene International Limited said *"Our biologics manufacturing facility can handle multi-product production campaigns simultaneously based on our single-use technology platform, and we continue to build on our capacity year-on-year to meet the growing demand for outsourced biologics manufacturing. The recent investments have increased our production capabilities for bulk drug substance to meet the growing requirements from our expanding client base for end-to-end cGMP clinical and commercial manufacturing.*

Use of digitalization and automation tools like electronic quality records and digital signatures will not only help avoid the risk of human errors, but also decrease operational costs and improve time-to-market. Both the facilities are supported by proven processes for efficient, scalable, customized and regulator-compliant commercial manufacturing."

The global biologics market size is expected to reach USD 749.62 Bn in 2028 at a CAGR of 10.8% from 2021¹. The cancer segment accounted for the largest revenue share in the global biologics market in 2020, due to increasing prevalence of the disease worldwide. In the last decade, the focus of new investments in the biologics sector has shifted toward mammalian cell culture due to the dominance of monoclonal antibodies. This has resulted in the need for microbial service providers worldwide, thus, there are emerging opportunities in microbial manufacturing, in particular antibody fragments and production of plasmids for gene therapy, as well as niche non-pharma applications.

About Syngene

Syngene International Ltd. (BSE: 539268, NSE: SYNGENE, ISIN: INE398R01022), is an integrated research, development and manufacturing services company serving the global pharmaceutical, biotechnology, nutrition, animal health, consumer goods and specialty chemical sectors. Syngene's more than 4000 scientists offer both skills and the capacity to deliver great science, robust data management and IP security and quality manufacturing at speed, to improve time-to-market and lower the cost of innovation. With a combination of dedicated research facilities for Amgen, Baxter, Bristol Myers Squibb and Herbalife, as well as 2 Mn sq ft of specialist discovery, development and manufacturing facilities, Syngene works with biotech companies pursuing leading-edge science as well as multinationals, including GSK and Merck KGaA. Syngene follows an April-March financial year. For more details, visit www.syngeneintl.com.

¹ <https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20210528005373/en/Global-Biologics-Market-2021-to-2028---Size-Share-Analysis-Report---ResearchAndMarkets.com>