

PHEBRA ACHIEVES MILESTONE DURING NEW PLANT CONSTRUCTION

Works continue to progress on the construction of Phebra pharmaceuticals' new Sydney manufacturing plant.

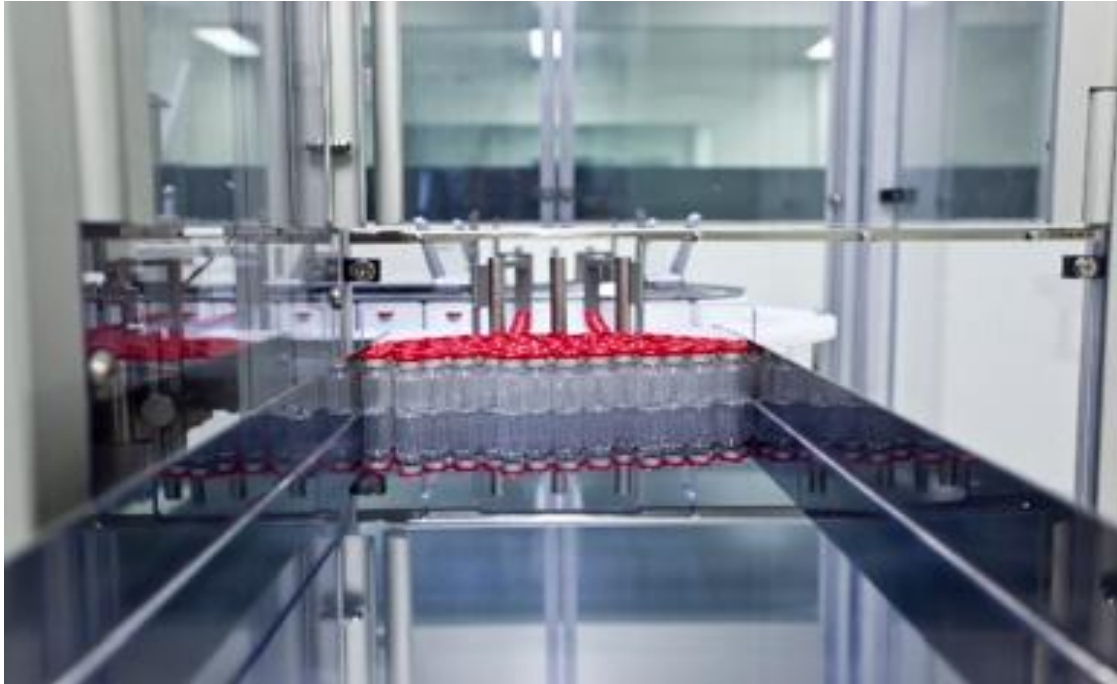
The project's first milestone was recently achieved with the qualification and initial validation of a \$2 million Bosch integrated filling machine - in one of three filling rooms at the plant in Lane Cove West.

A team of eight technicians from Bosch in Germany travelled to Sydney to assemble and install the machine before providing its qualification and initial validation.



Phebra's Chief Executive Officer, Dr Mal Eutick, said the Bosch integrated filling machine will be the centrepiece of the plant's multi-purpose sterile injectables unit.

"The machine will significantly increase our hourly rate of production for our range of sterile injections and critical medicines – which we estimate to be by up to five times current capacity," Dr Eutick said today.



“The additional rate of production will expand Phebra’s current research programs for the development of medicines which we can supply for all-important clinical trials and also enhance our capacity to manufacture pharmaceuticals here in Australia - our own range and on behalf of overseas companies.”

The plant is expected to be operational by the end of 2012 - pending final inspection and licensing by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).



ABOUT PHEBRA



Phebra is an Australian-based specialty pharmaceutical company which develops manufactures and markets critical medicines in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, Canada and parts of Europe.

The company's critical medicines cover a range of pharmaceuticals in important disease areas such as cystic fibrosis, antidotes, diagnostics, oncology and pain.

At Phebra, we create critical medicines that save and improve lives.

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