



NextPharma Technologies Hosts Inauguration Ceremony to Mark Official Opening of its ‘State of the Art’ Cold Chain and Logistics Warehouse in Werne, Germany

Surrey, UK, 1st February 2012 - NextPharma, the leading European provider of product development, contract manufacturing and cold chain and logistics outsourcing services to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, is pleased to announce the official opening of its ‘state of the art’ Cold Chain and Logistics (CLS) warehouse in Werne, Germany at an inauguration ceremony attended by local dignitaries and many of NextPharma’s customers.

Franck Latrille, Chief Executive Officer, NextPharma Technologies, commented “we are proud to mark the official opening of the Werne site and would like to thank our customers, our financial backers Stadtsparkasse Werne and most of all our employees for their tremendous support in the realization of this very important strategic facility. The initiative to build the new warehouse came about as a result of more and more products in the pharmaceutical and biotech industries requiring specialist handling and storage and we are excited at the prospect of being able to meet our customers’ requirements to an even higher standard.”

Jost Bunse, Managing Director, NextPharma Technologies, CLS commented “this is a very important day for everyone who has contributed towards the design and build of this great facility – their hard work and dedication is gratefully appreciated.”

Werne Warehouse in More Detail

The new facility is strategically located 3 km away from the A1 motorway in western Germany, between Münster and Dortmund. It has 15,800m² of warehouse and 1,000m² of office space. It has the capacity to house up to 26,000 euro-pallets, starting with an initial 19,000 euro-pallets, and currently employs 40 people.

Additionally, it has modern temperature monitoring (under floor heating, hot-air blowers and air conditioning.) The building, as well as meeting pharmaceutical

service provider requirements, consists of 2 fire sections, 7 conventional docks, 1 jumbo dock and 1 insulated dock has wholesaler authorization (§52a AMG) and will achieve a manufacturing license (§13 AMG) for manual re-packaging, bundling and labeling of secondary packaging early next year.

Werne Warehouse Storage

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| Narrow aisle warehouse (+15°C to +25°C): | ca.19,000 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (+2°C to +8°C): | ca. 250 euro-pallets |
| Controlled drugs (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 250 euro-pallets |
| Automated shelves (pick-by-light): | 1,800 |
| Manual shelves (handheld-scanners): | 4,000 |

Werne Warehouse Picking and Dispatch

Picking areas with pick-by-light and scan technology, all processes are controlled via radio frequency and barcode scanning, batch tracing supported and controlled by Warehouse Management System (Modern and validated). Critical life saving drugs can be accessed and dispatched 24/7.

Experienced Werne CLS Team

As is the case across all NextPharma CLS sites, the Werne facility is equipped to meet fully the most demanding requirements of our customers through the efforts of our highly qualified and dedicated team of professionals experienced in delivering a broad range of logistics services.

CLS across NextPharma

NextPharma CLS provides 'one stop' logistics solutions tailored to meet the needs of the international pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries under the rigid standards of cGSP/GDP regulations. It is supported by state-of-the-art technology with controlled room temperature storage from 15°C to 25°C down to minus 80°C. Its pick, pack and ship systems ensure the correct product reaches its destination according to the requirements of our customers.

This pre-wholesaling business delivers directly to pharmacies, hospitals, doctors, sales representatives and wholesalers. Customers also benefit from NextPharma's economies of scale.

Logistics services include importation, receipt of goods, storage, order administration, processing of returns, pick, pack, ship/dispatch, accounting, invoicing and debt collection. NextPharma uses sophisticated Information Technology (IT) systems to provide customers seamless communication with its sites.

NextPharma also provides services that cover the total 'order-to-cash' cycle for our customers, e.g. order taking, administration and cash collection. Value added services such as manual re-packaging, returns handling and worldwide export processing are part of our service portfolio.

Other CLS sites:

Bielefeld, Germany

This site is located in the eastern part of North Rhine-Westphalia - conveniently situated between two motorway intersections enabling the efficient execution of orders and quick order processing which is extremely important for our clients. We have met fully the most demanding requirements with the help of our highly qualified staff and with a storage and distribution zone of 7,900 m² at our disposal.

Services & Capabilities

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| Narrow aisle warehouse (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 8,000 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (+2°C to +8°C): | ca. 300 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (-20°C): | ca. 10 m ³ |
| Cold storage (-80°C): | ca. 1.5 m ³ |
| Automated shelves | 2,500 |
| Manual shelves | 1,000 |

Manufacturing authorisation.

Bielefeld Warehouse Picking and Dispatch

Picking areas with pick-by-light and scan technology, all processes are controlled via radio frequency and barcode scanning, batch tracing supported and controlled by Warehouse Management System (WMS).

Munich, Germany

The site is located in the North of Munich, approximately 20 minutes away from Munich Airport. With 3,800 m² we offer our customers sufficient capacities to support their growth.

Services & Capabilities

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| Warehouse (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 2,500 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (+2°C to +8°C): | ca. 200 euro-pallets |
| Storage, order picking and despatch of -179°C products | |
| Automated shelves | 420 |
| Manual shelves | 550 |

Munich Warehouse Picking and Dispatch

Picking areas with scan technology, all processes are controlled via radio frequency and barcode scanning, batch tracing supported and controlled by Warehouse Management System (WMS).

Stockerau, Austria

With a storage and distribution zone of 6,000 m² at our disposal, NextPharma Logistics Stockerau serves the pharmaceutical and biotech industries as an experienced business partner. From Stockerau - with its strategic favourable location close to Vienna - NextPharma additionally offers the export of pharmaceuticals into several East European countries.

Services & Capabilities

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| Warehouse (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 7,500 euro-pallets |
| Controlled drugs (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 45 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (+2°C to +8°C): | ca. 280 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (-20°C): | ca. 2 m ³ |

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| Cold storage (-80°C): | ca. 1.5 m ³ |
| Automated shelves | 560 |

Manufacturing authorisation.

Stockerau Warehouse Picking and Dispatch

Picking areas with pick-by-light and scan technology, all processes are controlled via radio frequency and barcode scanning, batch tracing supported and controlled by Warehouse Management System (WMS).

Turbenthal, Switzerland

NextPharma Logistics' Swiss subsidiary is operating on a storage and distribution zone of 1.800 m² in total. We serve the pharmaceutical and biotech industries in Switzerland in a timely and competent manner.

Services & Capabilities

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| Narrow aisle warehouse (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 2,000 euro-pallets |
| Controlled drugs (+15°C to +25°C): | ca. 10 euro-pallets |
| Cold storage (+2°C to +8°C): | ca. 110 euro-pallets |
| Automated shelves | 270 |
| Manual shelves | 50 |

Manufacturing authorisation.

Turbenthal Warehouse Picking and Dispatch

Picking areas with pick-by-light and scan technology, all processes are controlled via radio frequency and barcode scanning, batch tracing supported and controlled by Warehouse Management System (WMS).

San Diego – North America

NextPharma San Diego's controlled temperature storage and distribution services are designed to support clinical trials for the pharmaceutical and biotech industries with controlled room temperature storage down to minus 80°C. Our quality system ensures the correct product reaches its destination according to customers' requirements.

Services & Capabilities

Ranging from controlled room temperature (15°C-30°C), 2°C -8°C, -20°C and -80°C Storage areas are validated, monitored 24 hours a day, seven days a week, shipment to clinical sites world-wide, returned product control and destruction.

NextPharma develops, manufactures, packages, and distributes a broad range of products and formulations for its customers including solids, liquids and semi-solid dosage forms, antibiotics, hormones and controlled release medicines.

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About NextPharma

NextPharma Technologies, headquartered in the UK and founded in 2000, is a world class outsourcing partner to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry.

We offer a full range of services from early phase product development, through clinical trial packaging (Phases I through III) to high volume commercial manufacturing of both New Chemical Entities (NCEs) and generic products. We are a world leader in pellet technologies and in specialist product manufacturing including hormones, penicillins, cephalosporins and controlled drugs. Additionally we have significant expertise in paediatric drug formulation, development and manufacture. NextPharma offers 'one-stop' logistics solutions tailored to meet the needs of the global pharmaceutical industry under the rigid standards of cGSP/GDP regulations.

We operate globally with six product development centres, six manufacturing plants and six temperature controlled storage and distribution sites across Europe and North America, supplying customers in North America, Europe and Japan.

We have 1,000 employees dedicated to serving over 200 customers world wide and a customer base, which includes many of the world's leading pharmaceutical, specialty pharma and biotech companies.

We have a proven track record in almost all pharmaceutical technologies and product forms and in addition to the specialist areas above have capabilities in solids, semi-solids, liquids, sprays and dry dosage form technologies.

All of our sites are either FDA inspected, in the process of upgrade for inspection or targeted for upgrade for inspection.