

## PRESS RELEASE

# Novartis opens new radioligand therapy manufacturing facility in California as part of \$23B US expansion plan

- *Carlsbad location is company's third US-based radioligand therapy (RLT) manufacturing site*
- *New site expands manufacturing footprint to meet future demand; ensures continued on-time delivery rate of >99.9% to patients across western US, Alaska and Hawaii*
- *First to have delivered at scale, Novartis fortifies leadership in RLT innovation and infrastructure with California facility, additional plans for Florida and Texas*

**East Hanover, N.J., November 10, 2025** – Novartis, a leading global innovative medicines company, today announced the opening of a new 10,000-square-foot radioligand therapy (RLT) manufacturing facility in Carlsbad, California. This state-of-the-art site represents a key milestone in the company's previously announced \$23 billion investment in US infrastructure over the next five years.

The opening of the Carlsbad manufacturing facility allows Novartis to seamlessly meet future demand for RLT, adding additional capacity and augmenting the company's world-class supply chain capabilities. The Carlsbad facility has been filed with the FDA as an additional US point of supply, and commercial manufacturing may begin once approval is granted.

RLTs are a form of precision medicine that combines a tumor-targeting molecule (ligand) with a therapeutic radioisotope, enabling the delivery of radiation to the tumor with the goal of limiting damage to the surrounding cells. Because each RLT dose is custom-made and time-sensitive, with a radioactive half-life measured in hours, proximity to treatment centers and transit hubs helps ensure patients receive their treatment when and where they need it.

"At Novartis, we tackle the toughest challenges in medicine by doing what's never been done before for patients," said Vas Narasimhan, CEO of Novartis. "Radioligand therapy is a breakthrough we've unlocked at scale, made possible by reimagining how innovation reaches patients. As the global leader in RLT for more than seven years, we've advanced this technology with a deep belief in its power to transform cancer care. The opening of our Carlsbad facility underscores our strong commitment to the US and dedication to bringing this pioneering treatment to patients across the country."

Novartis is the only pharmaceutical company with a dedicated commercial RLT portfolio, and the Carlsbad facility is its third US RLT manufacturing site, reinforcing its global leadership in radioligand therapies with unmatched expertise in development, production, and delivery to patients worldwide. The Carlsbad facility is purpose-built to manufacture the company's FDA-approved RLTs with capacity for future expansion.

"We commend Novartis for supporting our broader mission of bringing manufacturing capacity in the United States," said FDA Commissioner Marty Makary, M.D., M.P.H.. "Our unique partnership approach is working."

“Novartis is transforming the future of cancer care—and it's happening right here in Carlsbad,” said Carlsbad City Council Member Melanie Burkholder. “This new advanced RLT production facility is a major milestone for our region, strengthening California's position as a hub for life sciences innovation. It will bring exciting new opportunities for our community, including more engineering and manufacturing jobs. I'm proud our local community will be part of the future of cancer care.”

In addition to the Carlsbad opening, Novartis has announced multiple construction initiatives and future plans in the US, including:

- Two additional RLT manufacturing facilities in Florida and Texas.
- Expansion of existing sites in Durham, North Carolina, Indianapolis, Indiana, and Millburn, New Jersey.
- Establishing its second global R&D hub in the US with a new state-of-the-art biomedical research innovation facility in San Diego, California.

These investments, enabled by a pro-innovation policy and regulatory environment in the US, reflect Novartis' broad commitment to the market and building its infrastructure. Novartis expects to invest nearly \$50 billion in its US operations over the next five years, including the \$23 billion announced earlier this year, underscoring its long-term commitment to strengthening the US healthcare ecosystem.

### **Novartis and Radioligand Therapy (RLT)**

Novartis is reimagining cancer care with RLT for patients with advanced cancers. By harnessing the power of targeted radiation and applying it to advanced cancers, RLT is designed to deliver treatment directly to target cells anywhere in the body<sup>3,4</sup>.

Novartis is actively investigating the application of RLTs across cancer types and settings, with one of the deepest and most advanced pipelines in the industry, with trials in prostate cancer, breast, colon, lung, brain, pancreatic and other cancers. Novartis has established global expertise, with specialized supply chain and manufacturing capabilities across its network of RLT production sites around the world.

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