

Sartorius invests \$100 M in new CoE for Bioanalytics in Ann Arbor, US

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Manufacturing of instruments, consumables and reagents for cell and protein analysis



Germany-headquartered life science group Sartorius has opened its new Center of Excellence (CoE) for bioanalytics in Ann Arbor, Michigan, US two years after breaking ground in the Tech Loop at Research Park. Sartorius has invested around \$100 million in the state-of-the-art facility, consolidating existing sites and functions in Ann Arbor. The number of employees at the site is expected to double over time.

The 130,000-square-foot facility houses a modern manufacturing and services area, biology labs, a warehouse, office and training spaces, as well as a Customer Interaction Center (CIC). Sartorius will develop and manufacture a range of bioanalytical instruments at this site, including the associated reagents, consumables and software solutions. In addition, the company will provide particle validation services and produce microcarriers used in cell culture processes.

The Center of Excellence was built with a focus on sustainability and is seeking a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) gold certification, to be administered by the US Green Building Council. Sustainable features include green electric energy supply from 200 kilowatt solar panels, 30 electric vehicle charging stations, and Research Park's first storm runoff pond.

Sartorius has already been present in the city for several years, after acquiring the Ann Arbor-based businesses Essen BioScience in 2017 and SoloHill in 2020. In total, around 2,600 employees work for Sartorius at 12 sites in North America.