

## Marken opens pharma depot in Beijing

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**Singapore:** Marken announced the completion of its new pharmaceutical depot in Beijing, China. The new facility which provides 850 m<sup>2</sup> of GMP compliant space for temperature controlled storage as well as distribution of clinical trial supplies is directly located next to the Beijing Capital International Airport. The new pharmaceutical depot is co-located with the existing Marken Beijing branch office to provide a fully integrated and best in class service to clients.

"We are very pleased to announce the completion of our new Depot in China. We now have six fully operational depots in strategic areas globally and plan to open five additional depots before the end of 2013. Enlarging our network to provide the most efficient and flexible solutions to our clients is one of our key priorities for 2013," said Mr Gerit Offenhauser, senior vice president, Clinical Trials Distribution.

Marken's depots provide secure temperature controlled storage and distribution for pharmaceuticals, biologics, medical devices and diagnostic equipment. The new depot will supplement Marken's existing network of global depots in Germany, Singapore, the US, Argentina, and Mexico. Marken's depot network is connected through the Solo platform, a global state-of-the-art, 21 CFR part 11 validated, cloud based inventory management system which tracks dosages at the patient level.

Mr Wes Wheeler, chief executive officer of Marken said, "We are proud to expand our pharmaceutical service depot network to Beijing, China. We are now pushing forward with more depots in key countries around the world such as Brazil, Chile, Columbia and Russia. Through expanded investment in facilities and technologies, we will continue to ensure that our clients are provided with full service, global clinical supply chain solutions that provide the highest quality courier and logistics services to our clients."