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AbbVie open biologics plant in Singapore

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Global research and development-based bio pharmaceutical company AbbVie is expanding the capabilities of its Singapore operations with a new biologics manufacturing facility in Tuas.

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The island republic joins 12 other sites across the US, Europe and Puerto Rico in AbbVie's global manufacturing network.

Trade and Industry Minister S Iswaran said that the new facility comes at a timely moment, when ageing populations, growing healthcare demand and technological changes are changing healthcare paradigms.

Technology will allow healthcare providers to engage patients more effectively and enable the centre of healthcare delivery models to shift from hospitals to communities. Technology might also change the nature of manufacturing and firms that leverage this can achieve significant productivity gains and differentiate themselves in the market from the competition.

Mr Iswaran added that the Singapore government has been partnering with the industry to train and upskill people. The Professional Conversion Programmes for the pharmaceuticals and biologics sector, which aims to help mid-career transitions to the industry, has benefited 350 people since 2014.