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Eppendorf breaks ground on â?¬40 M manufacturing facility in Malaysia

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The companyâ??s first Southeast Asian manufacturing site will produce selected centrifuges and instruments, with production expected to begin gradually in 2028



Eppendorf SE has marked the start of construction on its new production facility at Bandar Cassia Technology Park in Penang. The groundbreaking marks a major step in the company's expansion in Malaysia and establishes Eppendorf's first manufacturing operation in Southeast Asia.

The EUR 40 million investment will extend Eppendorf's global manufacturing network with production capability for selected products from its Centrifuges & Instruments portfolio. The products are intended for laboratories and scientific workplaces worldwide. The site will join Eppendorf's global manufacturing and quality framework, applying the company's expectations for quality, process reliability, compliance and operational excellence.

"Today's groundbreaking is further evidence of the consistent implementation of Eppendorf's corporate strategy, through which we continue to strengthen our innovative capabilities and make our global production capacity more resilient," said Dr Christine Munz, CEO of the Eppendorf Group. "This site is a strong commitment to Malaysia and will be an important new pillar in Eppendorf's global manufacturing network. It will strengthen the competitiveness and flexibility of our Centrifuges & Instruments business."

The approximately 48,500 square-meter site is planned to have a total built-up area of around 16,000 square meters. Production, warehousing, offices, quality-related functions, shipping and logistics areas, and employee facilities will be brought together in a modern, integrated manufacturing environment.

Production is expected to begin gradually in 2028, followed by a structured ramp-up through 2030. Individual product lines will be qualified and brought into operation step by step, supporting quality, operational stability and continuity of supply. Eppendorf anticipates around 130 employees at the site by the end of 2029.

Eppendorf has had a presence in Malaysia for more than three decades, beginning with an office in Kuala Lumpur in 1995. The Penang investment extends the company's established commercial and administrative presence into manufacturing and adds a Southeast Asian location to a production footprint historically centered in Europe and the United States.