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Purdue Pharma finalizes land purchase for new Durham plant

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Prescription drug manufacturer **Purdue Pharma** has settled its business with the owner of Treyburn Corporate Park in north Durham and finalized its purchase of 51 acres for a new manufacturing plant.

Purdue Pharma paid nearly \$2.7 million, or \$53,000 per acre, for the land at Treyburn, according to county deed records. The property at the intersection of Old Oxford Road and Teknika Parkway is directly south of **Merck & Co.'s** vaccine production facility at Treyburn Corporate Park.

Purdue Pharma plans to soon begin construction of a \$59 million, 150,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Durham.

The company, which produces OxyContin and other pain medications, had announced in September that it had chosen Durham for the new plant. It expects to hire 100 people over the next three years.

[Jim Allaire](#), a broker with the **Cushman & Wakefield/Thalhimer** commercial real estate firm, represented Purdue Pharma in its land purchase negotiations with Treyburn Corporate Park LLC.

The Purdue land sale is the second major deal at Treyburn Corporate Park in the last month.

Diagnostics firm [BioMerieux](#) also recently purchased 40 acres of land at Treyburn that was adjacent to its Durham campus where it already employs about 630 people.

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Two projects, a Purdue Pharma drug-manufacturing plant and a small data center with the working title “Project Joshua,” have received the OK from the Durham City Council for water and sewer hookups at Treyburn Corporate Park in Durham.

As part of the approval, the city agreed not to annex so as not to put Treyburn at a competitive disadvantage with Research Triangle Park, which under state law may not be annexed.

As we previously reported, Purdue Pharma, which makes the drug Oxyontin and other pharmaceuticals, announced in September that it would be building a \$59 million, 120,000-square-foot plant that will bring 100 jobs to Durham.

Purdue also operates a 240,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Wilson that opened in 2000 with 180 employees, as well as a manufacturing facility and research lab in New Jersey.

The second unnamed company will occupy a 26,988-square-foot data center.

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