

Americhem Announces Expansion of Global Healthcare Footprint with New China Investment at Chinaplas 2026

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio | Suzhou, China (April 8, 2026) - Americhem, a global leader in polymer solutions, today announced an expansion of its healthcare capabilities with a new clean compounding facility in Suzhou, China, alongside the introduction of advanced material technologies at Chinaplas 2026.

Scheduled to come online in the second half of 2026, the facility will be purpose-built to meet ISO 13485 and cGMP standards, extending Americhem's healthcare manufacturing network into Asia and reinforcing its commitment to both regional innovators and global OEMs expanding production in China. The investment will also expand production capacity in the region, supporting continued growth across Americhem's APAC business.

"China is a critical growth market for Americhem, both for regional innovators and for global OEMs expanding their manufacturing footprint in the region," said John Richard, CEO at Americhem. "With our new clean compounding facility and advanced material platforms, we are enabling customers to achieve the same performance, quality, and regulatory confidence in China as they expect anywhere in the world."

With ISO 13485-certified facilities in North America and Europe, the addition of Suzhou expands Americhem's clean compounding network, enabling OEMs to scale programs globally without revalidation or supply inconsistencies. At Chinaplas 2026, Americhem will demonstrate how global scale, local investment, and advanced material science support the next generation of specialized applications.

As OEM requirements continue to evolve across healthcare, transportation, fibers, building & construction, and emerging markets, demand is increasing for materials that combine performance, regulatory readiness, and global

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consistency. Americhem's technology platforms are designed to deliver tailored solutions that help customers accelerate innovation while reducing complexity. At Chinaplas 2026, Americhem is showcasing material platforms designed to meet these evolving demands:

- **Clean Compounding for Healthcare** – Delivers globally consistent, ISO 13485-aligned materials that reduce validation complexity and enable seamless regional scale-up
- **EcoLube™ MD** – A PFAS-free compound with built-in lubrication that reduces friction and wear without external additives or greases
- **nDryve™** – An in-melt, PFAS-free technology that embeds durable fluid repellency directly into fibers and nonwovens
- **ColorRx®** – A globally standardized color platform that accelerates approvals and ensures consistency across regions

Americhem's growth is supported by its partnership with PPC, enabling continued investment in innovation and global expansion. The company also maintains an EcoVadis Gold rating, placing it among the top 5% globally for sustainability performance.

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Americhem is an innovative, technology-driven leader in the global polymer industry. Its foundation is built around delivering Performance, Solutions and Trust through close collaboration with customers. All of the company's products are backed by complete technical support that ensures quality, reliability, and value. Americhem operates 10 manufacturing plants and maintains sales offices throughout the world. For more information, visit www.Americhem.com.

