

## Warburg Pincus Launches Vertice Pharma and Acquires VistaPharm

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Simpson Thacher is representing Warburg Pincus in connection with the launch of Vertice Pharma, LLC with an equity investment of up to \$300 million. Warburg Pincus has partnered with pharmaceutical industry veterans, Don DeGolyer and Andrew Saik to launch the new company. Vertice Pharma also announced a definitive merger agreement to acquire VistaPharm. The terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

Vertice Pharma is a specialty pharmaceuticals company that develops, manufactures, markets, and distributes high-quality and affordable pharmaceutical products through its operating companies.

VistaPharm, founded in 1998, is a Florida-based healthcare company that specializes in delivering generic pharmaceutical and OTC products for the hospital market, retail pharmacy and specialized clinical setting.

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