

Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Sancilio Announces Expansion in Riviera Beach

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Smiles were the prescription of the day on May 14 as County Commissioner Hal Valeche and Florida Governor Rick Scott were welcomed by employees and principals of pharmaceutical developer and manufacturer Sancilio & Company, Inc. (SCI) to announce the company's expansion in Riviera Beach.

President and CEO Frederick Sancilio, Ph.D., his wife and company principal Alex, and employees were eager to show Governor Scott around SCI's 70,000-square-foot facility on Fiscal Court.

SCI is a fully-integrated biopharmaceutical company which this year received "Manufacturer of the Year" awards from Governor Scott and the South Florida Manufacturers Association. Currently a producer of omega-3 vitamin supplements sold under the Ocean Blue label, SCI is also engaged in the research and development of drugs to treat disease including advanced lipid technology. The company is running trials in collaboration with Harvard Medical School and with scientists in Sudan on a new drug for the treatment of sickle cell anemia, a disease that affects more than 90,000 Americans.

SCI was founded in 2005 and is investing more than \$6.7 million to expand plant operations. Following the tour, Governor Scott presented Dr. Sancilio with the Governor's Business Ambassador Award for the company's efforts to create jobs in the state and improve the lives of its employees through training and advancement.

Commissioner Valeche, who previously served as a board member for Enterprise Florida, Inc. and BioFlorida, Inc. congratulated the company and recognized Governor Scott's commitment to job creation.

"It is gratifying to work with local entrepreneurs in partnership with our municipalities and the State of Florida to help companies grow and to support medical advances that are being developed right here in Palm Beach County's bioscience corridor," he said.