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# Michael Lynch moves to DPR Construction's

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As the new head of **DPR Construction Inc.**'s National Biopharmaceutical Core Market Group, Michael Lynch predicts there will be less ground-up construction in the future and more retrofitting of existing plants. Lynch is responsible for analyzing industry trends so



Michael Lynch

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the company can better respond to existing and potential customer needs.

He moved to DPR from **Kinetic Systems Inc.**, where he was executive vice president of marketing and business development in the pharmaceutical division.

DPR of Redwood City, is a general contractor and construction manager specializing in projects for the biopharmaceutical, advanced technology, health care and office markets, including the nearly completed expansion of Genentech's Vacaville manufacturing plant.

The biopharmaceutical industry has seen tremendous growth in new manufacturing facilities in the last five years, meaning there's a lot of capacity, Lynch said. Companies with excess capacity are likely to lease portions of their plants to other biopharmaceutical manufacturers, which presents an opportunity to retrofit existing facilities for contract manufacturing, he said.

"That extra capacity has to be tailored to existing needs," said Lynch, who studied mechanical engineering at what is now the **New Jersey Institute of Technology**.

A native of Cleveland, Lynch currently lives in Mill Valley with his family and enjoys playing golf and reading history. He is current reading "A World Undone: The Story of the Great War 1914-1918," by G.J. Meyer.

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