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Company Profile

Cumberland Pharmaceuticals is a specialty pharmaceutical company that develops and markets branded, prescription products. Founded in 1999, Cumberland focuses on late-stage and FDA approved medicines for targeted physician segments. A growing sales force of approximately 200 experienced pharmaceutical representatives promotes Cumberland's products nationwide, and includes specialty hospital and gastroenterology sales teams. The Company strives to provide innovative products, improve quality of care for patients, and achieve sustained growth.

Founder and CEO, A.J. Kazimi

Cumberland Pharmaceuticals No. 257

507.2% Three-Year Growth

REVENUE: \$12.7 million EMPLOYEES: 20

FOUNDED: 1999 Nashville

What it does: Acquires the rights to pharmaceuticals that are already on the market or in late-stage development. It then manufactures and sells the drugs to pharmaceutical wholesalers and to large pharmacy chains. Why it's growing: Big Pharma wants blockbusters and sells off less popular drugs cheaply. Cumberland exploits the potential of smaller successes.



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