



History

HWI pharma services was founded in Rheinzabern in the Southern Palatinate in 1991 by Dr. Stefan Wissel and Professor Dr. Hanns Häberlein – at that time under the name HWI ANALYTIK. The first letters of the names Häberlein and Wissel gave rise to the name HWI. The addition “Analytik” describes the young entrepreneurs’ focus of activities at that time, which lay on the processing of analytical issues for medicinal products and related products.

Over the years the service spectrum has continuously been extended and advanced. Today HWI group offers a wide range of innovative technologies and services for pharma and biotech at 3 sites in Germany.

We have summarised the success story of the HWI group for you in chronological order.

- 2021 Expansion of analytical and technological services to large molecules and to the development of nasal formulations; first development of a nasal spray with microsuspension and nanosuspension of a poorly soluble active ingredient.

- 2020 HWI group takes over the Frankfurt development site of Losan Pharma GmbH. HWI is thus further developing its strategy towards high potent active ingredients and sterile dosage forms.
 HWI receives funding from the Innovation and Technology Support Programme (Inno-Top) Rhineland-Palatinate for the project: Establishment of an innovative screening and technology platform for the fast, flexible and cost-efficient development and production of parenteral (sterile) drug formulations for poorly soluble chemical and biological agents through further development of nanotechnology.

- 2019 Master plan for the development of the HWI’s own site in Rülzheim.
 Purchase of further 400 m² adjacent premises in Rülzheim.
 160 employees in HWI group. Change of corporate name of i.DRAS GmbH to HWI regulatory services GmbH.
 HWI receives funding from the programme Artificial Intelligence as a Driver for Economically Relevant Ecosystems for the project: Digital Vigilance Services - software solutions (neural networks).





- 2017 Relocation of HWI's Tübingen site to Rülzheim.
- 2016 Change of corporate name of HWI ANALYTIK GmbH to HWI pharma services GmbH and that of Sercona GmbH to HWI development GmbH.
- 2015 Purchase of previously rented premises of Rheinzaberner Straße 8 in Rülzheim.
Establishment of the brand HWI group.
130 employees in HWI group.
- 2013 Change of name for business unit Service & Compliance to Vigilance and Quality Services.
- 2012 LAZ GmbH & Co. KG is integrated into HWI ANALYTIK GmbH, supplementing the service spectrum in the business unit Laboratory Services. The business site in Tübingen continues to exist.
- 2009 Start of client workshops entitled "HWI Conferences".
Completion of the new administration building at the Rülzheim site.
Relocation of the administrative department from Rheinzabern to Rülzheim
Expansion of GMP laboratory in Rülzheim.
Relocation of the Laboratory for the Isolation of Natural Products from Römerbadstraße in Rheinzabern to Rülzheim.
Establishment of the business unit Service & Compliance, covering services with regard to pharmacovigilance and quality.
Joint website of HWI ANALYTIK GmbH together with its partner companies Sercona GmbH, i.DRAS GmbH and LAZ GmbH & Co. KG.
- 2008 Foundation of Sercona GmbH (Appenweier) as a subsidiary of HWI ANALYTIK by takeover of the department for formulation development of medicinal products from a CMO with 25 employees.
Purchase of the pharmaceutical laboratory LAZ from Prof. Dr. Hamacher in Tübingen.
Capacity expansion of GMP laboratory in Rülzheim.
Relocation of company headquarters of HWI ANALYTIK from Rheinzabern to Rülzheim.
65 employees (HWI ANALYTIK).
- 2007 Purchase of further 6,000 m2 adjacent premises in Rülzheim.
Capacity expansion of GMP laboratory and pharmacovigilance.
50 employees.



- 2006 Foundation of i.DRAS GmbH in Planegg/Martinsried.
Relocation of drug regulatory affairs services from HWI to i.DRAS.
- 2005 New: Services for pharmacovigilance and toxicology.
- 2004/2005 Business expansion: Relocation of GMP laboratory from Rheinzabern, Hauptstraße 28, to Rülzheim, Rheinzaberner Straße 8.
Rental of Hall 1 with approx. 400 m2 laboratory space.
40 employees.
- 2003 Business expansion: Relocation of the Isolation of Natural Products Department to a second site in Römerbadstraße, Rheinzabern, 30 employees.
- 2001 New: Toxicology for medicinal products and cosmetics.
Expansion of training and seminar facilities.
- 2000 Expansion of GMP laboratory by new building.
- 1998 New: Drug regulatory affairs services, 20 employees.
- 1997 Expansion of the Rheinzabern site with further offices, training facilities and communal rooms.
- 1995 Business relocation within the Rheinzabern site: Relocation to new GMP laboratories and offices on the premises of Rats-Apotheke in Hauptstraße 28.
New: Qualification of pharmaceutical reference standards.
Establishment of a laboratory unit for isolation and purification of natural products from medicinal plants, 8 employees.
- 1994 Documentation programme „QuaSi“ for cosmetics with GHS GmbH.
Setup of “Toxicological Database for Cosmetic Raw Materials”.
- 1993 4 employees, first full-time employee.
- 1991 Foundation of HWI ANALYTIK GmbH in Rheinzabern with analytical services for medicinal products and related products as well as isolation and purification of enzymes.