

PRESS RELEASE

Aenova opens new building for the production of highly potent drugs at the Regensburg site

- **Aenova opened its new building for highly potent active ingredients at the Regensburg site on June 22, 2023.**
- **Highly potent drugs against cancer, among other things, are produced in the new production facilities.**
- **With a total investment of around 25 million euros at the Regensburg site, Aenova will thus be able to significantly increase its development and production capacities for the increased market demand for highly effective drugs.**

Regensburg, June 23, 2023 - Cytotoxics and cytostatics are in increased demand in the global pharmaceutical market. To meet this steadily increasing demand, Aenova, the world's leading development service provider and contract manufacturer for the pharmaceutical and healthcare industries, has built a new building at its Regensburg site for the development and production of highly effective active pharmaceutical ingredients. The total investment of around €25 million will enable the company to significantly expand its production of highly potent active ingredients up to OEB 5 and, in particular, of cancer drugs. The new building was opened on June 22, 2023.

The Aenova site in Regensburg has been developing and producing tablets and capsules with highly potent active ingredients such as methotrexate, hydroxycarbamide, azathioprine, imatinib since the 1950s. These are, for example, drugs for the treatment of inflammatory diseases such as psoriasis or arthritis, against autoimmune diseases, drugs against cancer

such as leukemia, but also novel drugs (so-called New Chemical Entities, NCE). The special feature of many of these drugs is their high efficacy, which means that the active ingredients already have the desired effect in the smallest doses, but special safety standards must therefore also be observed during development and production.

The new four-story building with a total building area of more than 4,000 m² houses the production and packaging of highly potent tablets as well as the associated laboratories, development, storage and social rooms. This means a significant expansion of the production area and the areas of development and laboratory by over 2,100 m² at the Regensburg site.

After the planned start-up at the beginning of 2024, the production capacities can thus be increased in volume by significantly more than 1 billion tablets and capsules. An entire floor is reserved for flexible customer requests for "on demand" production, so that existing and new customers can be individually supported in line with their requests. The new building is part of the strategic profiling of the Regensburg site for the development and production of highly effective medicines. Around 400 people are employed at the Regensburg site.

The Regensburg site is "Competence Center HPAPI & Oncology Products" within the Aenova Group with leading HPAPI development, production and packaging facilities for high-potent solids. "The new building is an important milestone for this," explains *Oliver Schmied*, Managing Director at the Aenova site in Regensburg. "Producing billions of tablets and capsules each year, Aenova is a partner of choice for novel product solutions as well as commercial high-volume manufacturing. A particularly unique selling point is that we offer production flexibility using harmonized production equipment, enabling small to large batches from 0.5 to 500kg for development, CTM, scale up and commercial batches," continues *Oliver Schmied*.

"Within the overall investments of the Aenova Group, the new building for highly potent APIs in Regensburg is an essential strategic building block. As a development and manufacturing partner, we are thus a reliable and agile CDMO (Contract Development & Manufacturing

Organization) for our customers in the promising market segment of highly potent active ingredients," comments *Jan Kengelbach*, CEO of the Aenova Group.

With the new building, Aenova will not only be able to better serve market needs and customer requests in the future, but above all reliably provide vital medicines for patients with cancer worldwide. In the next few months, the laboratories and the new "on-demand" GMP area will be set up. Customer orders can go into production from 2024.

Pictures



Ceremonial opening of the new building for highly effective pharmaceuticals at the Aenova site in Regensburg. From left: Tim Bauer, Chief People Officer of the Aenova Group, Regensburg's Mayor Gertrud Maltz-Schwarzfischer, Oliver Schmied (Managing Director Aenova Regensburg), Dietmar Rohleder (Prange Group) (Photo: Aenova)



The new building for highly effective pharmaceuticals at the Aenova site in Regensburg, Germany (Photo: Aenova)

About Aenova Group

The Aenova Group is a leading global contract manufacturer and development service provider for the pharmaceutical and healthcare industry. As a one-stop store, Aenova develops, produces and packages all common dosage forms, product groups and active ingredient classes from pharmaceuticals to dietary supplements for human and animal health: solid, semi-solid and liquid, sterile and non-sterile, high and low dose, OEB 1 to 5 (Occupational Exposure Band). Approximately 4.000 employees at 14 sites in Europe and the USA contribute to Aenova's success. Further information can be found at www.aenova-group.com.

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