

Press information from the Hönle Group
about subsidiary Panacol

Panacol takes on overall sales of adhesives and sealants for the Hönle Group

New central location in Steinbach near Frankfurt

Steinbach, May 2009. As of February 2009 Swiss industrial adhesives specialist Panacol AG – a subsidiary of the Dr. Hönle AG – is responsible for the adhesives and sealant sales operation for the entire group. In conjunction with the expansion of its business operations, the Hönle group's two adhesives specialist were also merged. The former Wellomer GmbH was incorporated in the German Panacol-Elosol GmbH, united in a new, larger company building in the town of Steinbach near Frankfurt. The aim of the changes was a more effective utilisation of the synergies of the Hönle group following its rapid growth, with regard both to development and production and to sales and service. All Wellomer products have been absorbed unchanged into Panacol's UV portfolio and are available under the Vitralit® brand name.

The new location in Steinbach is planned to house all of Panacol's business activities outside Switzerland as well as the central storage facility. The relocation from Zurich to Germany is planned for the end of May. This is, in part, a response to the new REACH regulations, which also regulate the import of chemical substances into the EU.

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About the Hönle Group: In addition to consolidated parent Dr. Hönle AG (UV systems), the Hönle Group comprises Aladin GmbH (UV lamps) and adhesives specialist Panacol. Further members are dryer specialists for web offset printing PrintConcept and dryer specialists for sheet feed offset printing Eltosch. Beside subsidiaries in France, Spain and the United Kingdom and a representative office in China Hönle has a closely knit network of sales partners throughout the world.

About Hönle: Dr. Hönle AG is the world's second largest supplier of industrial UV technology. The stock exchange-listed UV specialist develops, produces and distributes UV systems, UV lamps, UV adhesives and UV measuring systems throughout the world. Its systems are used in cross-linking photoreactive substances as well as for surface sterilisation and solar radiation simulation. Hönle's products are used in electronics, microelectronics, precision mechanics, and optics production processes and in the printing, car, aerospace and pharmaceutical industries.

About Panacol: Swiss company Panacol AG is an internationally active supplier in the growth market for industrial adhesives with main offices in France, Germany and Switzerland. Panacol offers a wide range of products, including several well-known brands and ranging from UV adhesives through structural adhesives to silicones, such as the versatile Elecolit® and Vitralit® systems. A member of the Hönle group since 1 January 2008, Panacol has taken over the adhesives and sealant sales operation for the entire group.