



Grace in Deerfield

FACT SHEET

Grace is a global specialty chemicals and materials company noted for experienced people, technological leadership, global reach and strong customer relationships. Among many other things, Grace ensures the integrity of many major buildings and bridges, enhances the performance of petroleum products and preserves the safety of food. Grace conducts its businesses and operates its facilities in a safe, healthy and environmentally sound manner and in compliance with community, state and federal regulations.

Corporate Entity

W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn.

Stock Listing

NYSE: GRA

Corporate Headquarters

Columbia, Maryland, USA

2006 Net Sales

\$2.8 billion worldwide

Founded

1854

2006 Employees

Worldwide: 6,467

Illinois: 447

Deerfield: 103

Deerfield Annual Payroll

\$6.3 million (2006)

Deerfield State Payroll Taxes

\$0.2 million (2006)

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Facilities in Deerfield

Deerfield, Illinois is home to the global distribution hub for Grace Davison Discovery Sciences.

Located outside Chicago, the facility's primary activities include packing High Pressure Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) columns and assembling a variety of accessories and instruments. In addition, the location functions as a support center for customer and technical service and order processing. A warehouse is also on site, as well as research and development labs.

The products packed and assembled here are used for chromatography, a method of chemical analysis used to separate samples into their basic components.

Chromatography is commonly employed in a wide range of applications, including drug discovery and purification.

Deerfield employees assist pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies in the development of new compounds that hold the promise of future medical treatments and cures. Grace's involvement begins in the lab where compounds are researched and extends to large scale manufacturing of new medications.

In addition, Deerfield supports products that are used for environmental testing, forensics, petrochemical analysis, and in food and cosmetics.

Acquired by Grace in 2004, the Deerfield facility has grown over the years and currently has 103 employees supporting more than 30,000 products. An online ordering system is available at: www.discoverysciences.com.

Grace Davison Discovery Sciences adheres to strict guidelines in the manufacturing process, and our quality control system assures that our products meet demanding specifications.

Members of the Deerfield research and development department are responsible for product stewardship activities that impact the entire product group. Recent product launches include GraceSmart™ HPLC columns, GracePure™ SPE tubes and Alltech® 3300 ELSD.

The Deerfield location works closely with Grace labs and distribution centers in other parts of the United States as well as facilities in Europe and Asia Pacific.

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Products and Materials

In Deerfield, Grace distributes and supports a wide range of products, including chromatography consumables, analytical columns packed with our silica, and bulk silica that customers can pack in their own production columns. We have the ability to modify the base silica and surface chemistry for analytical, preparative and process scale customers, which allows us to enhance our products for unique applications.

Grace Davison recognizes that, as a responsible manufacturer, we are expected to be thoughtful product stewards by managing our operations so that our products can be developed, manufactured, distributed, used, and disposed of effectively and safely.

Chemical Industry Facts *

In addition to the 52,097 jobs directly created by the chemical industry in Illinois, 295,381 jobs are generated indirectly by chemical industry activity in Illinois and other states.

For every chemical industry job in Illinois, 5 related jobs are created within the state, a total 208,445 jobs. Another 86,936 Illinois jobs come from chemical industry activity generated outside the state. In total, 347,478 jobs in Illinois are supported by the chemical industry and generate \$15.4 billion in earnings and \$405.4 million in state and local taxes on personal income.

In addition to the jobs generated by chemical industry business activity, many other Illinois jobs are dependent on chemical products. Looking across the entire U.S. economy, these chemical dependent industries account for 25.2% of GDP and 26.6% of jobs.

In Illinois, more than 1.5 million jobs (26.8% of all jobs in Illinois) are dependent on chemical products. These jobs generate \$67.8 billion in earnings.

The chemical industry in Illinois is among the most productive industries in the state, surpassed only by the petroleum products industry.

* Source: American Chemistry Council

Environment, Health & Safety

For Grace Davison, the environment is a top priority. In order to protect the air, soil and water, the company has developed a highly efficient environmental management system that is geared towards waste reduction at source and strict control of emissions.

As a member of the Chemical Manufacturers Association through Grace, the Deerfield facility participates in Responsible Care®, a public commitment to improve performance in health, safety and environmental quality, listen and respond to public concerns, assist each other to achieve optimum performance and report their progress to the public.

In addition, the Deerfield site has achieved a number of safety milestones, including:

- Sixteen months without recordable incident
- Seventeen months without lost time accident

Community Stewardship

Our mantra is to **Engage – Educate – Empower**. These three words are at the root of our community stewardship programs. By bringing people together in the spirit of community service, we create stronger neighborhoods and establish a renewed sense of comradeship.

Two long-term community stewardship initiatives undertaken at our Deerfield facility include:

- *Operation Christmas Child*. In early November, Deerfield volunteers begin filling Christmas wrapped shoeboxes with small gifts for boys and girls 2 to 14 years old. Just before Thanksgiving, they take these to a drop off point to be sent all over the world to underprivileged children.
- *St. Jude's Radiothon*. For the past nine years, Deerfield employees have been donating their time answering the phones during the fundraising Radiothon organized by St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.