

Social commitment and charitable responsibility - Dr. Wack and the Anni-Hofmann-foundation

An entrepreneur is defined as someone who takes initiative using his or her vision, initiative, energy and investment to create a business. In 1975, Dr. Oskar K. Wack founded Dr. OK Wack Chemie GmbH in Ingolstadt, Germany. Additionally, under his direction and leadership, he created the business division ZESTRON, to be the world's leading provider for high reliability electronic precision cleaning processes. He grew the consumer segment by providing high-quality care products for automobiles, motorcycles and bicycles to be a market leader with the brands A1, P21-S, CW 1:100, S100, and F100.

The philosophy of the company is to focus on productivity, profitability and the betterment of humanity.

Social responsibility is most important to Dr. Oskar K. Wack. He experienced a great personal loss in 2012. "The reason for the foundation was the death of Anni Hofmann on 10.09.2012, my partner for many years. She was diagnosed with Glioblastoma, an aggressive brain tumor. All therapies were found to be completely ineffective. I decided to establish a foundation with the aim to better understand the origin and development of glioblastoma and with the hope of developing new therapies and ultimately a cure," said Dr. Oskar Wack, who forms the managing committee for the foundation with his son Dr. Harald Wack and Dr. Heiko Barske. His dedication and commitment to Anni Hofmann's memory lives on in his foundation to fund treatments and a cure for all effected by this terminal illness.

The purpose of the foundation is to support medical research on Glioblastoma, with a goal to research the body's own defensive forces in order to regenerate and stabilize them. The foundation's scientific advisory board consists of the renowned neuro surgeons Dr. Jörg-Christian Tonn, M.D. (director of the Neuro Surgical Clinic in Munich), Dr. Peter Vajkoczy, M.D. (director of the Berlin Charité Neuro Surgical Clinic) and Dr. Manfred Westphal, M.D. (director of the Hamburg-Eppendorf University Medical Center). They are currently researching three networked projects that you can find further information on at www.glioblastoma-research.org.