

Waters announces €6 M clinical diagnostics R&D centre expansion in Ireland

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R&D centre expansion will create new scientific jobs focused on solutions for broader clinical diagnostic applications

Waters Corporation has announced a combined investment of up to €6 million with support from IDA Ireland to expand its operations in Drinagh, Wexford to fund research and development (R&D) of new clinical diagnostics products. The operational expansion at the Wexford facility will create new scientific [jobs](#) through 2024.

Waters' Wexford facility is the company's primary site for manufacturing and delivery of its portfolio of in-vitro diagnostic (IVD) systems, reagent kits, and software used by thousands of hospitals and laboratories worldwide for applications that include health screening for millions of newborn babies.

The multi-year investment is part of Waters' strategic mission announced in 2021 to evaluate the potential of its mass spectrometry technologies for broader diagnostic solutions in areas of early disease detection such as cancer screening.

The Wexford facility is one of Waters' key global sites, incorporating a variety of manufacturing, warehouse, laboratory and office spaces. Waters has been a significant employer in Wexford since its establishment in 1997, with over 400 employed at the site today. It is a global production and distribution center for a range of consumables ('columns') for the company's High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) and Ultra Performance Liquid Chromatography (UPLC) instruments. Waters employees at the Wexford facility also assemble and test mass spectrometry instruments and replicate instrument software.