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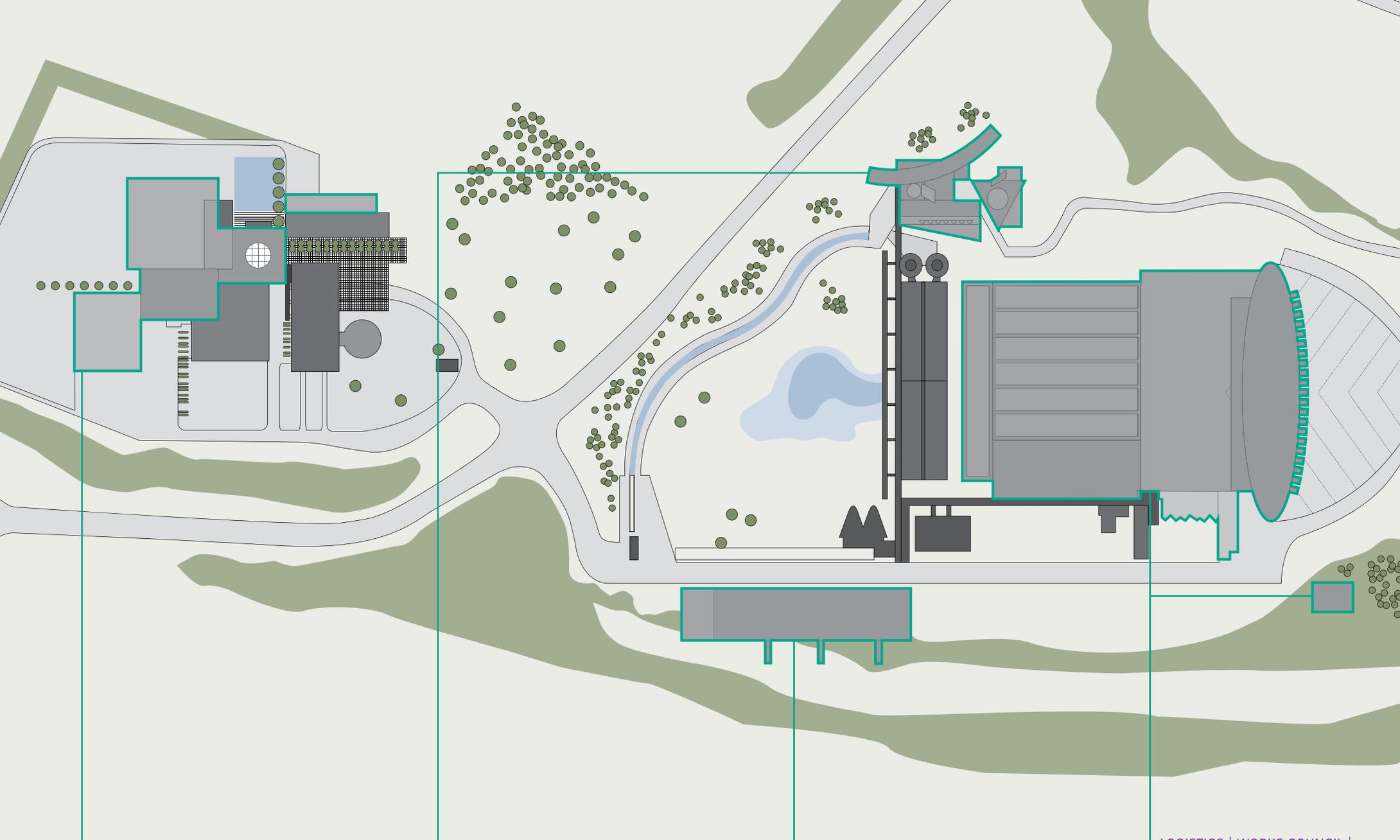


ENSEMBLE

Melsungen is the home of B. Braun, one of the leading manufacturers of medical technology. The company headquarters reflects the almost 180 year old history of the family company that employs over 58.000 people in 64 countries and places its responsibility to its customers, employees, society and environment above all else.

High-performance production facilities and modern office buildings have grown at the same pace as the company and form an architectural ensemble in which every object has its own form and function – just like a city.

Harmoniously set amidst the mountains of North Hesse in Germany, the architectural elements of glass, wood, exposed concrete and green-patinaed copper roofs symbolize expression of the company values: innovation, efficiency and sustainability. Behind these walls, B. Braun employees develop and produce pioneering products and services for a wide range of therapies from dialysis to Infusion and Nutrition Therapy.

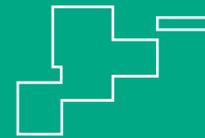


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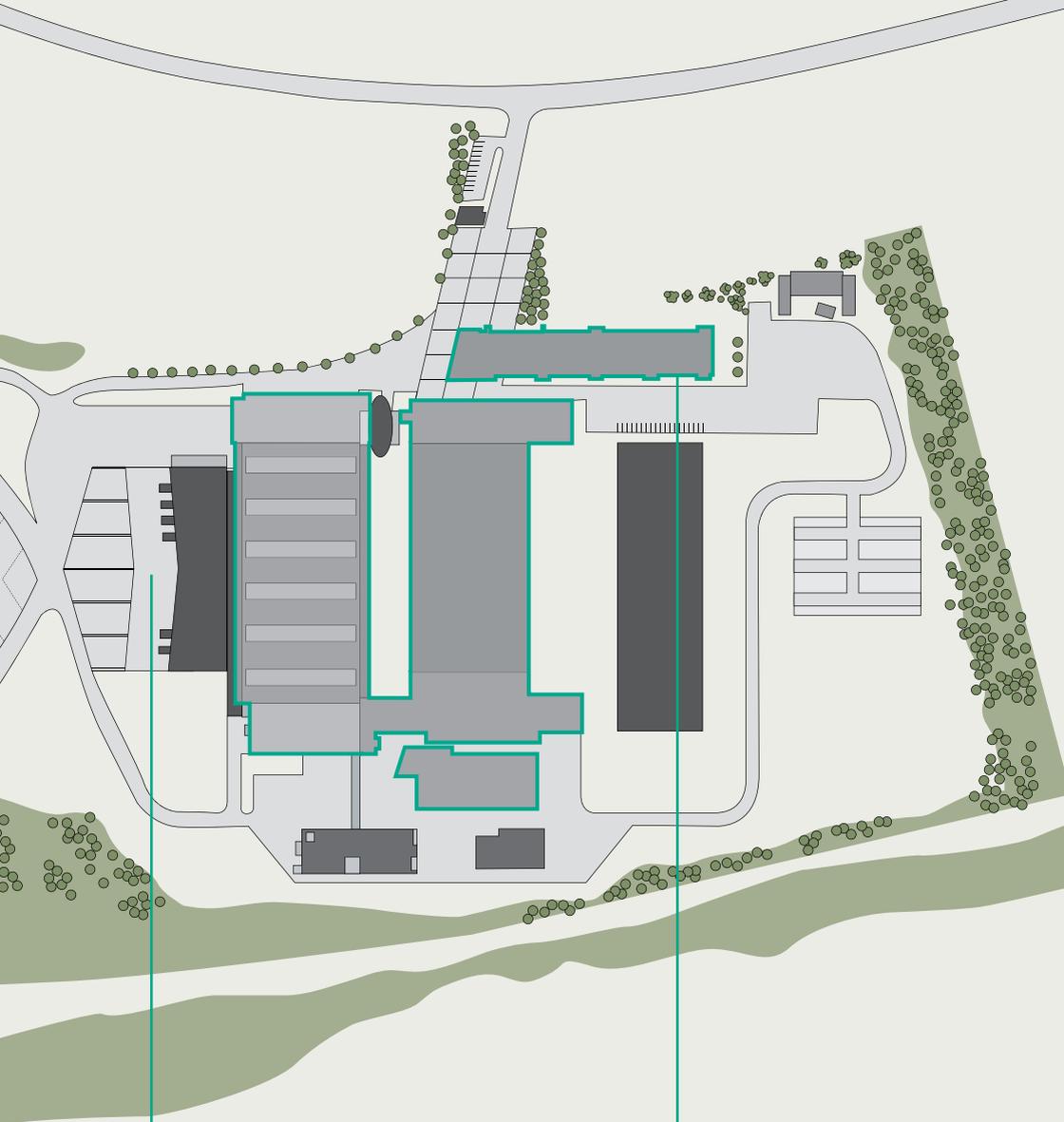
COMPOSITION



Dialysis machines and modern syringe and infusion pumps are developed and produced on demand in Plant W. The flexibility of the process-oriented work environment follows the office concept. Depending on the task at hand, employees are able to join mobile workbenches together.

Every step in the process contributes towards adding value to the products; all available capacity is utilized in this streamlined structure. Only after receiving an order do employees start to produce the device to meet the customer's needs.

Our Training Center, which opened its doors in 2011, offers more than 2,500 m² of extra capacity as well as modern facilities with state-of-the-art technology. All twelve professions for which B. Braun conducts training at its headquarters in Germany, are centrally managed from here. The company also offers dual study programs in nine different disciplines. In Germany, B. Braun has a total of 20 different professions and dual studies in 15 different disciplines.



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ENTRANCE



Tradition and innovation have long been combined in the B. Braun company, which offers insight into the milestones of its century-old history in the Visitor Center. Founded in 1839 with the purchase of the pharmacy «Rosen Apotheke» by Julius Wilhelm Braun in 1839, B. Braun protects and improves human health all over the world. Its company philosophy is «Sharing Expertise». Through a constructive dialogue with our partners and users, we develop effective solutions and trendsetting standards for the healthcare industry. Transparency is a recurring theme in the world of B. Braun, in our dealings with one another, in our clear business structures, and in the glass-fronted architectural elements which provide a glimpse into our working world. This transparency also pervades the fully-automated production line for IV systems, which was expanded in 2009 due to increased demand.



MOSAIC

Logistics, the works council and health care are all important pieces of the mosaic at B. Braun. All products for the European market are stored, commissioned and shipped to and from the Goods Distribution Center. This building is the hub of company logistics.

Each day, more than 100 trucks and our local production deliver about 2,800 pallets filled with products, which are then sorted in a fully automatic high-bay warehouse. By an extension of the warehouse up to 70,000 pallets can be stored. After receiving an order, an efficient logistic network ensures that products are delivered quickly and safely to customers throughout Europe. The works council and the company's health-care services are based in the middle of the PfiEFFewiesen plant, offering visual proof of the fact that responsibility for the health and well-being of B. Braun employees is of central importance. The works council is brought in at an early stage for all important company decisions.

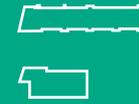




PRECISION



Every year, more than one billion containers of IV solution are used throughout Europe. Every third bottle used is an Ecoflac plus bottle by B. Braun. With one of the most modern production facilities in Europe, the company leads the way in the production of IV solutions. In the LIFE (Leading Infusion Factory Europe) factory, more than two billion IV solution containers have already been produced in the fully-automated production line. To do this, we rely on our specialist employees, a close monitoring of product quality, and custom-made technologies. One example of such technology is the bottle pack machine, where the IV containers are blown with clean air, filled and sealed in a single operation. In the neighboring LIFE Nutrition factory, nutrition solutions are produced for the global market. This is where single bags and a new generation of multi-chamber bags with amino acids, carbohydrates and fat emulsions are produced, sterilized and packaged.



DRESS REHEARSAL

Right next to the production site, employees working in the Central Laboratory develop, improve and test solutions and drugs. This building was specially designed to meet the requirements of the different laboratory units. It allows our specialists to concentrate solely on their core area of responsibility, thanks to short passageways, simple administration, and highly modern facilities. Pharmaceutical products are produced for the global market and in limited-lot series in the Pharmaceutical Development Center. In order to maintain a consistent product quality, even for large quantities of units, sampling is performed by the employees before the production process gets underway. This allows us to continuously bring new products onto the market which are in line with international quality standards.





GALLERY



When employees are able to share their knowledge, work as a team, or find a quiet space to focus on a task, they apply greater flexibility and creativity to their work. This belief forms the underlying basis of the modern working environment at B. Braun and is most noticeable in the "Europe" building. Appreciation and trust in the employees shape the open office concept at B. Braun. The administrative building itself is also unusual. This award-winning design by the English architects James Stirling and Michael Wilford creates a unique blend of architecture and landscape. The glass-fronted building brings the working environment closer to nature while providing transparency and flooding the rooms with light. The company's art collection is displayed in all areas of the building and is an integral part of everyday working life – whether on the production line or in the office. The basic principle behind the art collection is to support young and as yet unknown artists from the countries in which B. Braun operates.

