



Press release

Dawnlough joins the Acrotec Group, strengthening its medtech and aeronautics divisions.

The Acrotec Group pursues its strategy of developing its medtech division while increasing its presence in aerospace by acquiring Dawnlough, a leading Irish company renowned for its high-precision machining skills.

Develier, July 27, 2023. Located in Galway (Ireland), at the heart of one of the world's most important medtech clusters, where eight of the world's top ten medical technology companies already have a physical presence, Dawnlough joins the Acrotec Group as its 29th company.

This strategic acquisition confirms our desire to balance the Group's different Divisions by strengthening our medtech and aeronautics competencies," says François Billig, CEO of the Acrotec Group. We are very pleased to have reached an agreement with Dawnlough, as it is a company well known for its expertise in the design and production of tooling and components for medical devices, particularly in the cardiovascular and robotic surgery markets, at the center of a Medtech cluster where we are thus strengthening our presence following the acquisition of Takumi. It also enables us to develop our presence in the fast-growing aeronautics sector and completes our offer with Roch and Takumi".

Founded in 1987, Dawnlough has grown steadily since then, increasing its staff and industrial floor space over the years in Galway, thanks to its technological skills in the design and high-precision machining of difficult metals associated with very fine assembly, whether for tooling for the industrialization of medical devices, components for these same devices or for aeronautics. Thanks to its design and prototyping capabilities, Dawnlough is Ireland's largest supplier of custom tooling. Its machining solutions address a wide range of products and projects, from rapid prototyping for R&D projects to scalable volume production of components and assemblies, all with a focus on impeccable quality.

"We are extremely privileged and proud to have the opportunity to join such a highly esteemed group as the Acrotec Group," says Dawnlough's Managing Director Brian McKeon. Acrotec prides itself on upholding a set of fundamental principles, which include an entrepreneurial mindset, innovation, integrity, and independence. These values perfectly align with those of Dawnlough,

making this partnership an ideal match. The collaboration between Dawnlough and Acrotec signifies a thrilling new chapter in our history that will undoubtedly bring added value and numerous opportunities for our valued customers."

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About Dawnlough : Founded in 1987, Dawnlough prides itself on innovation, excellence, and customer satisfaction, making it the go-to partner for companies seeking state-of-the-art engineering solutions. Dawnlough's strategic location nestled among global leading medical device companies has proven invaluable, fostering innovative collaborations, particularly within the cardiovascular medical device sector.

Dawnlough has made substantial investments in state-of-the-art robotic lights out manufacturing technology to meet the growing demands of Aerospace, Cardiovascular, Surgical Robotics, and Semiconductor clients. This advanced automation empowers the company to upscale production volumes while maintaining unparalleled quality standards. Precision engineering is Dawnlough's forte, supported by an extensive metrology lab and compliance with ISO 13485, ISO 9001, and AS9100 standards.

The cutting-edge facility houses an impressive array of over 70 CNC machines, producing components ranging from micro-mechanics for the cardiovascular industry to larger Aerospace flight critical components. Irrespective of size, each component undergoes rigorous quality control, upholding Dawnlough's commitment to precision.

With a legacy of excellence spanning decades, Dawnlough continues to strive for new heights and aspires to contribute significantly to advancements in the industries it serves. <https://dawnlough.com/>

About the Acrotec Group: Acrotec is an independent group created by professionals in the field of micromechanics. Its main objective is to be a model subcontractor by offering a wide range of manufacturing processes for precision components. Its strategy is to provide "Swiss Made" quality products to its customers, enhanced by its three divisions: **Watch & Jewellery, Medtech and Precision High-Tech**, which includes the electronic, automotive and aeronautical sectors.

The group is distinguished by the breadth of expertise it offers, under one roof, in **precision machining** (CNC turning, CNC multispindle turning, cam-type turning, 3 & 5-axis milling, micro-turning, precious metal transfer and machining); in **support processes** (surface treatment, cutting, assembly, heat treatment, decoration and laser engraving); and **specific processes** (UV-Liga component production, wire erosion/sinkhole machining, synthetic stone machining, lamination, spring forming, machine and tool production and silicon engraving - DRIE).

The Group currently employs over 2,700 people. <https://acrotec.ch/en/>