

AVK TIMELINE



1970-1973

- Niels A. Kjær takes over his father's business, develops the first gate valve, and founds Aage V. Kjærs Maskinfabrik A/S (AVK Holding A/S)

1980-1989

- Factories founded in Denmark, the USA and in Saudi Arabia.
 - Sales companies founded in UK and in Norway.
- Factory in Denmark acquired, now AVK Tooling A/S.
 - Flonidan Gas Division A/S founded in Denmark

1995-1999

- Factory acquired in the Netherlands (AVK Plastics BV) and in France (AVK Haut Marnaise S.A.)
- Bestobell's Water Division and Bryan Donkin's Valve Division acquired, in the UK
- AVK Maskinfabrik A/S and AVK Scan Wass Group A/S merged into AVK International A/S
 - Factories founded in Poland and in Australia
- Sales companies founded in South Africa, Hong Kong, Poland, and in the Philippines. AVK Overseas sales division founded
- License agreements made with manufacturers in the Philippines, China, and in Vietnam

2006-2010

- Companies acquired in the Netherlands (Wouter Witzel EuroValve B.V., Hillen de Lelie B.V. and World Valve B.V.), in Germany (G&W), in the Czech Republic (VOD-KA), in the UK (Invicta Valves Ltd), in Denmark (Vatech 2000 and AVK Plast A/S) and in Switzerland (InterApp Armaturen Holding AG with subsidiaries in several countries)
- Sales companies founded in Sweden, Italy, Brazil and India
 - Representative offices founded in Finland and Romania
 - Acquisition of 40% of the shares in Shimizu Kogyo Co., Ltd. in Japan

2016-2018

- Companies acquired in Brazil (VCW), in Australia (AFH TechFlow, Viadux Currumbin site and Wang Components Pty Ltd), in United Arab Emirates (WATERCOM), in South Africa (Gunric Valves), and in Germany (KSK and the enamel division of EMK)
- Acquisition of the majority stake in Fusion Group Ltd in the UK and AC.MO. s.r.l. in Italy

1941-1969

- Production of refrigerating equipment and general plumbing work

1974-1979

- Factory founded in UK
- Sales companies founded in Denmark and the Netherlands
- AVK GUMMI A/S founded in Denmark

1990-1994

- Peart Company in UK acquired, now AVK Manufacturing Ltd.
- Sales companies founded in Belgium, France, and in Spain
- License agreements made with manufacturers in Japan, Venezuela, and Taiwan

2000-2005

- Sales companies founded in Germany and in China
- AVK Germany acquired Mittelmarm Armaturen GmbH + Co. KG in Germany
- Factories acquired in the Netherlands, Denmark, Scotland and in Malaysia
- Factory founded in China

2011-2015

- Acquisition of the majority stake in Orbinox Valves International, S.L. in Spain with its 14 subsidiaries
- Companies acquired in Australia (AVK Industrial Pty. Ltd.), in UK (Syddal Engineering Ltd. and CPH Thurmaston Ltd.), in Spain (Cyl Knife Valves S.L.), in Germany (TEC artec GmbH), and in South Africa (Premier Valves)
- Sales companies founded in Korea and Finland
- Factories established in India, Kazakhstan and Brazil
- AVK Advanced Castings established in China

