

Looking Back...

- Automatic valve system for anaerobic jars developed
- Gas kit hydrogen producing envelope devised
- Low temperature catalyst sachet
- Co-designer of the Oxoid anaerobic jar
- Spiral plater distributorship negotiated
- Moved to larger premises at Green Lane, Shipley
- First anaerobic workstation designed and built
- 'Anotox' anaerobic workstation atmosphere conditioning
- Service Department established
- Three separate gas input systems for low-cost workstation operation
- Moved to current premises in Shipley
- Purpose-built GLP-compliant laboratories constructed
- Don Whitley becomes Chairman
- RABIT system launched
- Contract Laboratory Services established
- DWS Australia established
- Distributorship for Synoptics product range
- WASP spiral plater launched
- Export of spiral platers to USA – home of the spiral plater!
- Distributorship for AES product range
- New Whitley Workstation range launched
- DWS Germany established
- Millennium Products status for Whitley Workstation and WASP
- Distributorship for Rodwell Autoclaves
- Launch of Hypoxystation
- Launch of A-Range Anaerobic Workstations
- Launch of A85TG and A95TG Workstations
- Launch of Whitley Internal HEPA Filtration System
- Acquired own premises



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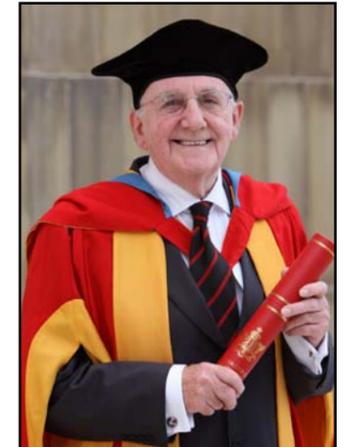
Don Whitley Scientific Limited (DWS) is a world-leading supplier of products and services for clinical, industrial and food microbiologists and cell culture scientists.

Combined with an extensive distribution network, we offer an unrivalled range of automated laboratory equipment and services.

Don Whitley established the company in 1976 to market his patented inventions of an automatic valve system, low temperature catalyst sachets and gas generation kits for anaerobic jars. The company continues to be recognised as a leader in the design and development of innovative products.

The first DWS modified atmosphere workstation was launched in 1981 and achieved considerable commercial success. Over the years close collaboration between DWS and leading scientists has led to the development of an ever increasing range of specialised workstations.

Since 2008 we have also supplied workstations for cell culture research applications.



In July 2009, Don Whitley, our founder and Chairman, was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science Degree by the University of Bradford recognising his lifetime achievements in applied microbiology.





The original spiral plater (above) was invented in 1976 in the USA. Don Whitley Scientific became the most successful overseas distributor of this product.



Whitley Automated Spiral Plater (WASP)



Whitley A35 Anaerobic Workstation

DWS Products

We introduced spiral plating into Europe from the United States in the late 1970's. After more than 15 years of importing spiral platers, we developed the Whitley Automated Spiral Plater (WASP). The current version of this instrument is now the plater of choice for discerning microbiologists throughout the world.

Your needs are met through the supply of products ranging from basic laboratory detergents to sophisticated rapid microbial techniques.

All our products are Made in England and available through a worldwide network of committed distributors.

Distributed products

In addition to our own products we supply a range of complementary products produced by other leading manufacturers.

Your media and sample preparation requirements are met by the AES Laboratoire range (now part of bioMérieux) from France – we were appointed as exclusive UK distributor in 1994. Your autoclave requirements can be comprehensively addressed by the Rodwell range of autoclaves.

For many years the Synbiosis range of colony counting systems has been the industry standard – many of you will already be using one of their systems to aid the throughput of samples in your laboratory and to standardise the way plates are counted.

R&D

Our research and development activities focus on new and existing technologies and the design and development of innovative, novel products. Using industry-standard solid 3D modelling tools and techniques, we invest more than five per cent of our turnover – considerably more than the UK average – in product development allowing us to launch several major new products every year.

Aftersales Service

We understand that providing suitable aftersales care is as important to you as the initial purchase decision. All our products are designed and constructed to the highest standards and our experienced service engineers ensure the continuous and reliable operation of your instrumentation through planned maintenance and regular servicing.

We understand our customers prefer to deal with companies that have recognised accreditation systems as this helps justify purchasing decisions. Our BS EN ISO 9001:2015 approvals ensure we provide you with a comprehensive and high quality manufacturing service.

Our UKAS accredited capability enables our service department to offer you on-site calibration/validation services. We can also assist with IOQ consultancy.

Contract Laboratory

Established in 1990, our contract laboratory group delivers specialist microbiological support services to a range of industries at home and abroad. Highly qualified laboratory staff provide customer support, devise new applications and protocols, and conduct research studies including specific experience with all aspects of antimicrobial development programmes. Our customers appreciate the quality of work produced from our purpose-built GLP-compliant laboratories.



We provide planned maintenance, emergency breakdown cover and UKAS calibration.



Our laboratories provide contract microbiology services, product support and protocol development.