

# Press release

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## Umicore announces closing of PMG acquisition

Having received all necessary regulatory approvals, Umicore confirms the closing of its acquisition of OMG's Precious Metals Group (PMG) under the terms and conditions announced on 3 June 2003.

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## PROFILE

Umicore is an international metals and materials group. Its activities are centred on four business areas :  
Advanced Materials, Copper, Precious Metals and Zinc. Each business area is divided into market-  
focused business units.

Umicore focuses on application areas where it knows its expertise in materials science and metallurgy  
can make a real difference, be it in products that are essential to everyday life or those at the cutting edge  
of exciting, new technological developments. Umicore's overriding goal of sustainable value creation is  
based on this ambition to develop, produce and recycle metals in a way that fulfils its mission: materials  
for a better life.

The Umicore Group has industrial operations on all continents and serves a global customer base; it  
generated a turnover of EUR 3.2 billion in 2002 and currently employs some 9,000 people.

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