

Corporate History

1970s

- December 1970
Established as Korea Synthetic Rubber Industries Co., Ltd.
- June 1973
Commissioned Ulsan SBR plant
- October 1979
Commissioned Yeosu BD plant

1980s

- June 1980
Commissioned Yeosu BR plant
- December 1983
Commissioned Ulsan SB latex plant
- June 1985
Merged with Korea Kumho Chemical Co., Ltd. and changed corporate name to Kumho Petrochemical Co., Ltd.
- June 1985
Established Kumho Petrochemical Research Center
- January 1988
Listed on the Korea Stock Exchange
- November 1988
Commissioned Yeosu multi-purpose BR plant

1990s

- April 1992
Commissioned Ulsan BD plant
- July 1993
Opened office in Jakarta, Indonesia
- April 1994
Opened Kumho Chemical Laboratories in Daejeon, Korea
- August 1994
Launched SBS production
- May 1997
Changed Miwon Petrochemical Co., Ltd. name to Kumho Chemicals, Inc.
- July 1997
Commissioned Yeosu Energy I cogeneration plant
- September 1997
Opened office in Shanghai, China
- December 1997
Opened office in San Diego, USA
- April 1998
Commissioned Yeosu SBS plant
- October 1998
Commissioned Asan electronic materials plant

2000s

- October 2000
Established Shanghai Kumho Sunny Plastics, China
- January 2001
Merged with Kumho Chemicals, Inc. (Synthetic resins)
- January 2002
Merged with Kumho Monsanto Co., Ltd. (Specialty chemicals)
- February 2002
Opened office in Frankfurt, Germany
- October 2004
Launched commercial production at Yeosu SBR plant
- November 2005
Received USD 1 billion Export Tower Award from the Ministry of Commerce, Industry, and Energy
- October 2006
Established Nanjing Kumho GPRO Chemical, China
- June 2007
Established Rizhao Kumho Jinma Chemical, China
- June 2007
Opened office in Qingdao, China
- July 2007
Opened office in Charlotte, USA

2010s

- February 2011
Commissioned second Yeosu synthetic rubbers plant
- March 2011
Commissioned Yesan building materials plant
- December 2011
Received USD 3 billion Export Tower Award from the Ministry of Knowledge Economy
- September 2012
Relocated Seoul headquarters
- May 2013
Purchased equity stake in Korea Energy Power in Sacheon, Korea (Solar power)
- October 2013
Commissioned carbon nanotube plant in Asan, Korea