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# History

- 2001 The Ministry for Science, Research and the Arts of the state Baden-Württemberg announces the competition "**Life Science Centres**". The goal of the competition is the creation of innovative interdisciplinary research centres in the life sciences.
- 2001, August The University of Heidelberg participates in the competition with the project "BIOQUANT" (Quantitative Analysis of Molecular and Cellular Biosystems). The building proposed is intended to function as the centre of the inter-faculty BIOQUANT cooperative network. Participation in the competition is supported by the life sciences and medicine faculties as well as other university centres and networks, including the BZH, IWR, IZN, ZI - Division of Infectious Diseases, and the ZMBH.
- 2002, January The Ministry Council decides to build the BIOQUANT network building on the campus of the University of Heidelberg with an approx. area of 5100 m<sup>2</sup>, divided accordingly:

Biological sciences	2430 m <sup>2</sup>
Scientific computing	1090 m <sup>2</sup>
Rooms for teaching	800 m <sup>2</sup>
Common area	780 m <sup>2</sup>
Buildings costs	23.31 Mio Euro
Cost of furnishing	3.57 Mio Euro

2002, March

**Interview with Hans-Georg Kraeusslich (Ruperto Carola 3/2002)**

2002, October

The architect Volker Staab (Berlin) (<http://www.staab-architekten.com>) wins the architectural competition for the BIOQUANT building with the following design:



2003 Start of the **BIOQUANT Seminars**

2004, January The **Center for Modelling and Simulation in the Biosciences (BIOMS)** in Heidelberg was established.

2004, June Start of construction.

2004,

- October Ground-breaking ceremony  
2004, **1. BIOQUANT - Symposium**  
Dezember Foundation of the research network BIOQUANT
- 2005, July Topping-out ceremony
- 2007,  
March Construction ends and research activities begin
- 2007,  
March 14th Workshop on computer simulations of soft matter and biosystems  
- 16th
- 2007, April 12th First BIOQUANT-Lecture: Prof. Marc Kirschner from Harvard talks about **"Propagated Waves of Scar/Wave recruitment and Cell Motility"**. **Press release**
- 2007,  
April, 19th Opening Ceremony with Prime Minister of Baden-Württemberg Günther Oettinger
- 2007,  
November 10th BIOQUANT participates in the first **"Nacht der Wissenschaft"**
- 2007,  
November 15th 1st General assembly of the BIOQUANT Research Network
- 2007,  
November 16th Dr.Niels Grabe receives the 1st **MTZ-Award** for Systems Biology 2007. **Press release**