

## 13-LETTER WORD FOR 13 OF ABBOTT'S BEST? BREAKTHROUGHS.

This is Abbott's 13th year on *Science* magazine's Top Employers list. A 128-year history of innovation has created a culture rooted in science that leads to breakthroughs – ones that change people's lives for the better.



Oren C. Durham, the "father of the pollen count," joins Abbott, bringing his research into allergic reactions.

1930



Abbott enters the IV fluid market using screw-on cap bottles – replacing the industry standard smelly rubber stoppers.

1935



What began as a compound to detect mercury vapors in the air proves useful as a component for dandruffcontrol shampoo.

1951



Abbott launches Ensure, pioneering a new class of medical nutrition for adults.

1973



Abbott "virus hunters" uncover a previously unknown hepatitis strain known as the GB viruses.

1995



The 1<sup>st</sup> stent to dissolve after clearing a blocked artery receives CE Mark approval in Europe.

2010

SIMILAC
WITH IRON
Powdered
Rass

1925

Our 1<sup>st</sup> commercial milk-based baby formula, Similac, hits the market.



1932

Abbott discovers halibut livers have 20 times the vitamin D and 100% more vitamin A than cod liver in Pacific fishing excursions.



1943

Abbott introduces a way to mass produce penicillin, critical during World War II.



1972

Abbott scientists measure hepatitis B in a diagnostic kit for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.



1985

Abbott scientists unveil the 1<sup>st</sup> licensed test to identify the HIV virus in blood.



1996/2000

HIV drugs Norvir and Kaletra\* are introduced, transforming treatment for the HIV epidemic.

\*now AbbVie products



2014

FreeStyle Libre\*, our revolutionary glucose monitoring system, is approved in Europe

\*under review in the U.S.