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Evonik launches new, all-natural cosmetic raw material for skin and hair cleansing

Essen, Germany. With the introduction of RHEANCE® One, the first ever glycolipids product, Evonik opens up a new frontier in all-natural cosmetic raw materials that offer both gentle, and effective skin and hair cleansing. As a compound made up of sugar and fatty acids, glycolipids can be found in many instances throughout nature. RHEANCE® One will be presented for the first time to a broad trade audience during the in-cosmetics 2018 tradeshow in Amsterdam (Netherlands).

“Naturalness and sustainability are very popular with today’s cosmetics consumers and, consequently, with cosmetics manufacturers as well as they look to develop products that meet this growing consumer requirement. In RHEANCE® One we now have a new cleansing substance in our portfolio, which not only is 100 percent based on renewable raw materials, but is also manufactured using a fermentation process,” explains Dr. Tammo Boinowitz, the head of Evonik’s Personal Care Business Line. This innovation developed by Evonik enables the production of glycolipids completely based on natural plant sugars, avoiding the use of tropical oils.

“RHEANCE® One is a unique combination of naturalness and high performance,” says Boinowitz. In skin, hair and oral care products, RHEANCE® One ensures effective yet gentle cleansing – and is ideally suited for even the most demanding skin types. The glycolipids stand out for generating a dense, creamy foam and having a pleasant, natural skin feel. Furthermore, they are able to solubilize fragrances and essential oils with remarkable efficiency. The unique profile characteristics of RHEANCE® One is completed by the fact that it is fully biodegradable and offers extremely good environmental compatibility.

We invite visitors to learn more about the gentle revolution in natural skin cleansing with RHEANCE® One at Evonik’s in-cosmetics stand H 20. Also, as part of a lab session, Evonik will offer anyone interested the opportunity to create their own formulations with RHEANCE® One.

**About Evonik**

Evonik is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. The focus on more specialty businesses, customer-orientated innovative prowess and a trustful and performance-oriented corporate culture form the heart of Evonik’s corporate strategy. They are the lever for profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company. Evonik benefits specifically from its customer proximity and leading market positions. Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world with more than 36,000 employees. In fiscal 2017, the enterprise generated sales of €14.4 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of €2.36 billion.

**About Nutrition & Care**

The Nutrition & Care segment is led by Evonik Nutrition & Care GmbH and contributes to fulfilling basic human needs. That includes applications for everyday consumer goods as well as animal nutrition and health care. This segment employed about 8,200 employees, and generated sales of around €4.5 billion in 2017.

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