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First trading day of DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG

Dottikon, Switzerland, March 31, 2005 – The first trading day of the DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG's registered shares at the SWX Swiss Exchange ended with a closing price of CHF 202.50. This corresponds to a market capitalization of CHF 257.7 million.

DOTTIKON ES, with its production site in Dottikon (Aargau, Switzerland), specializes on hazardous chemical reactions and focuses on the exclusive synthesis of fine chemicals for the pharmaceutical and chemical industry worldwide. The product range of DOTTIKON ES includes active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) and pharmaceutical intermediates as well as in-house-developed, high-value industrial chemicals.

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