



DOTTIKON ES with Slight Sales Increase and Smaller Loss

Dottikon, Switzerland, April 20, 2012 – DOTTIKON ES Group, specialized in the exclusive synthesis of fine chemicals using hazardous chemical reactions, closed its business year 2011/12 on March 31. DOTTIKON ES increased net sales slightly by 1.1% year-on-year to CHF 81.0 million and the inventory of semi-finished and finished goods by CHF 4.8 million due to operating more successfully in a somewhat improved market environment. In combination with the ongoing rigorous cost discipline, next to others the structural adaptation of personnel costs, DOTTIKON ES expects a significantly smaller loss for the closed business year 2011/12 compared to last year's period, in contrast to previous forecasts. A detailed reporting on the business year 2011/12 will be published as announced with the Annual Report 2011/12 on May 29, 2012.

DOTTIKON ES, with its production site in Dottikon (Aargau, Switzerland), is specialized in hazardous chemical reactions. Its safety culture created over the last 100 years is utilized to innovatively use hazardous reactions, low-temperature and high-pressure chemistry, as well as continuous processing, to question, tighten or shorten conventional chemical synthesis routes, improve yields, selectivity, and purity, as well as to reduce waste.

DOTTIKON ES employs its versatile technology and equipment portfolio to design, develop, and continuously improve chemical processes, scale up from kilograms to multi-tons, as well as to manufacture high-quality intermediates and exclusive active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) for the world's leading pharmaceutical and chemical companies. The one-site strategy of DOTTIKON ES allows short decision and communication pathways. This ensures quick and efficient project development as well as clear and transparent communication with the customers.

DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG is listed at the SIX Swiss Exchange.

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