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DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG Acquires 33.9% of SYSTAG, System Technik AG

Dottikon, Switzerland, December 8, 2005 – DOTTIKON ES specialized on exclusive synthesis of fine chemicals using hazardous reactions has acquired 33.9% of SYSTAG, System Technik AG inline with DOTTIKON ES' strategic positioning.

The Switzerland based SYSTAG, located in Rüschlikon (Zürich), is the technological leader in integrated solutions for automated chemical process development. Its proprietary developed software and hardware components are used in their distributed products, such as reaction calorimeters to determine safety-critical data for hazardous chemical reactions and lab automatization systems for process development and scale-up. This allows SYS-TAG to keep its competitive edge in technology while having highest flexibility.

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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