

## Evonik opens analytical center for animal feed in Singapore

- Analytical center dedicated to support animal feed industry in Asia Pacific
- Center to provide amino acid analysis of feed and feed ingredients
- Reinforcement of Evonik's commitment to contribute to healthier and more sustainable nutrition

Hanau/Singapore. Evonik Industries opens its first analytical center for animal feed in South Asia. Located in Singapore, this multi-million US dollar investment will complement the specialty chemicals company network of analytical centers for feed amino acids in Hanau (Germany) and Beijing (China).

The analytical center will provide the full range of powerful amino acid analytical services to regional and global feed manufacturers thus maximizing the nutritional value of their feed. In depth analysis of amino acid concentration in feed ingredients benchmarked against the requirements of different animals allows feed manufacturer to select the best suitable ingredients, to provide more consistent quality in feed, and to increase the efficiency of their production.

"Asia is the fastest growing animal and feed production region of the world, and we felt it was essential to position this lab in Singapore in order to better support our customers in this important region," explained Dr Alfred Petri, Senior Vice President Sales & Marketing in the Health & Nutrition Business Unit of Evonik, during today's opening ceremony. "This investment drives our commitment of being a strategic partner to our customers." With this analytical center, Evonik has increased its technical presence in the region to a total of 20 nutritionists, chemists, and engineers, all dedicated to providing value-added technical services to the animal feed industry.

The range of services provided by this new analytical center include wet chemistry analysis of amino acid content in raw materials, compound feed, premixes and physiological samples (AMINOLab®), wet chemistry analysis of supplemented amino acids (AMINOBatch®), and near infrared reflectance spectroscopy analytical services for prediction of amino acid content in raw materials (AMINONIR®).

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In addition to providing nutrient analysis of feed and feed ingredients, this analytical center will also offer feed manufacturers the opportunity to be trained in amino acid analytics and to learn how to best apply this knowledge into this production for more consistent, high-quality feed leading to improved animal production, better sustainability, and increased profitability.

"The analytical center will allow us to provide our customers with the most up-to-date training on analytical methods as well as the most accurate analytical information available about the nutrient quality of their feeds and feed ingredients," stated Dr Rob Payne, Director of Nutrition and Technical Sales for Asia South.

Evonik is the only company in the world to manufacture and sell all four essential amino acids for modern animal feed: MetAMINO® (DL-methionine), ThreAMINO® (L-threonine) and TrypAMINO® (L-tryptophan) and Biolys® (L-lysine source). Combined with more than 50 years of experience in amino acid analysis and nutrition, Evonik is the amino acid expert providing valuable and innovative solutions for its customers, which allow them to produce feed and animals effectively and efficiently in a sustainable manner.

#### **About Evonik**

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. Profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company form the heart of Evonik's corporate strategy. Its activities focus on the key megatrends health, nutrition, resource efficiency and globalization. Evonik benefits specifically from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms. Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2012 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €13.6 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.6 billion.

Evonik Industries has been producing specialty chemical products in the Greater China region (Mainland China, Hong Kong and Taiwan) since the late 1970's; with wide-ranging trading relations already in place prior to this in the region. Evonik regards Greater China as one of the driving forces of the global economy and we consequently endeavour to grow our business in the region. The company now has around 3,500 employees in the Greater China region, the regional sales reached over 1 billion in 2012.

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