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The gold medal award for Best Functional Ingredient goes to RHEANCE® One

Essen, Germany. RHEANCE® One is both natural and powerful—a successful combination that won the Evonik team at Personal Care the gold medal award for Best Functional Ingredient at in-cosmetics global 2018. Presented for the first time in Amsterdam, this substance from the glycolipid family can be used for cleaning skin and hair gently yet effectively. This also makes it suitable for challenging skin types.

RHEANCE® One is produced via fermentation—with sugar as the sole source of carbohydrates. Production does not require the addition of any tropical oils. This gives the product the advantage of being both natural and sustainable. Its positive application properties include a dense, creamy foam and a pleasant, natural feel on the skin. The glycolipid is completely biodegradable and offers extremely good environmental compatibility.

The jury for the Innovation Zone Best Ingredients Awards at in-cosmetics global 2018 recognized that RHEANCE® does an outstanding job of meeting the demands of innovative science and product properties that add value for manufacturers and end consumers.

For Evonik, this is just the beginning: “Now we’re going to collaborate with our customers to work out the full scope of applications for RHEANCE® One,” said Dr. Tammo Boinowitz, the head of Evonik’s Personal Care Business Line. “We’re already planning to expand this new technology platform.”

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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 8,250 employees, and generated sales of around €4.5 billion in 2017.

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