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Shares of Evolva Holding AG (EVE) open at CHF 1.32

Today, the shares of Evolva Holding AG were traded for the first time on SIX Swiss Exchange and are listed under the Main Standard. The opening price of the shares stood at CHF 1.32, which corresponds to a total market capitalization of CHF 200.2 million. Evolva Holding AG has been included in the SPI[®] and SPI EXTRA[®] indices. According to the listing prospectus, 117,836,490 of the company's 151,686,490 shares, each with a par value of CHF 0.20, were listed.

Evolva's proprietary discovery technology platform takes a "disruptive" approach to creating small molecules. This approach differs fundamentally from the conventional methods used by the pharmaceutical industry in synthetic chemistry and protein engineering. On the basis of this technology, Evolva is currently involved in several partnerships in the drug discovery and preclinical areas, which in 2008 generated revenues of approximately CHF 12 million. In addition, the company has an attractive pipeline of product candidates: a substance for treating kidney and cardiovascular diseases entered Phase I clinical trials in early 2009. In 2010, two further substances (a fungicide and a viruside) are scheduled to follow.

In the 2008 financial year, Evolva Holding AG recorded total sales of CHF 12 million. As of 31.12.2008, the company employed 80 individuals.

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