

Roquette launches an online technical platform for researchers and drug developers

The new platform – “Innovation Hub” – and its virtual assistant – “Rosa”- offer pharmaceutical scientific community new opportunities for formulation ideas and information exchange

Geneva, IL (USA), March 31, 2020 – As virtual collaboration and knowledge-sharing have reached a new level of urgency within the scientific community, Roquette, a trusted global supplier to life science companies for over 40 years, boost its capabilities. The company has launched an online technical search platform, called “Innovation Hub,” along with its virtual pharmaceutical assistant, named “Rosa,” aimed specifically at research scientists and drug developers requiring immediate access to in-depth research and chemical formulations.

The interactive and easy-to-use digital platform is a new innovation for the company, offering product solutions to common formulation challenges in an effort to help developers achieve optimal drug processability and enhanced tabletability while reducing a drug’s time-to-market.

“We recognize that the scientific community is determined to collaborate more than ever before,” said Rajeev Gokhale, Head of Pharmaceutical Sciences at Roquette. “Innovation Hub supports the digital transformation happening on the bench by more rapidly addressing formulators’ challenges in pre-clinical stages, while allowing developers direct access to our own scientists and their deep level of know-how and scientific expertise.”

“We are especially pleased to be able to offer this platform to our scientific partners at a time when it’s even more critical to help shorten drug development outcomes,” said Kelsey Achenbach, Head of Marketing for Roquette’s Global Pharmaceutical business unit. “Starting with 13 of our most trusted excipients for direct compression, we’ll be adding more products featuring our complete portfolio in the months to come. We truly look forward to helping make the formulation process faster and more efficient, while making things easier for our customers to interact with our scientists in an on-demand fashion.”

Innovation Hub offers scientists and developers an opportunity to analyze formulations, read existing Roquette technical research and inquire directly to the company’s Customer Technical Support team with a reply turnaround timeframe of less than 48 hours. The platform’s content addresses common formulation challenges ranging from encapsulation and taste-masking, to solubilisation, long-term stability and timed-release considerations. Additional Roquette functional excipient product information and specialty active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), application examples, novel manufacturing techniques and analytical data will be available in the near future.

The web-based platform is free and available to use at www.roquette.com/innovation-hub.

Roquette’s commitment to the pharmaceutical industry stems from the company’s desire to help its customers save and sustain patient life. As a trusted global supplier of naturally derived, raw materials to life science and pharmaceutical companies around the globe for more than 40 years,



the company today offers the widest portfolio of excipients in the world as well as APIs, in addition to providing formulation solutions and technical support to customers in the pre-clinical stage. Roquette operates manufacturing sites globally with a transparent and secure supply chain, providing end-to-end solutions along with regulatory support and assistance in the compliance process.

About Roquette

Offering the best of nature, Roquette is a global leader in plant-based ingredients for Food, Nutrition and Health markets and a pioneer of new plant proteins. A trusted global supplier to life science companies around the globe for more than 40 years, the Group considers that life-saving pharmaceuticals start with high-quality ingredients and is committed to hold itself to the highest industry standards. From oral dosage excipients (pharmaceutical branded, generic, nutraceuticals, and over the counter) and biopharma materials to injectables and dialysis solutions, Roquette offers a competitive broad-range of customer-focused solutions, providing consistency and reliability across every ingredient. Each of these ingredients responds to unique and essential needs, and they enable healthier lifestyles. Thanks to a constant drive for innovation and a long-term vision, the Group is committed to improving the well-being of millions of people all over the world while taking care of resources and territories. Roquette currently operates in over 100 countries, has a turnover of around 3.5 billion euros and employs 8,600 people worldwide.

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