

Evolve completes CHF 31.3 million fundraising

Reinach, Switzerland, 27 March 2013 — Evolve Holding SA (SIX: EVE, "Evolve") today reports the completion of the capital increase that was announced on 6 March 2013. The offering that was fully subscribed by existing shareholders and new investors, provides Evolve with gross proceeds of CHF 31.3 million before transaction costs.

The capital increase consisted of a rights offering of 52.2 million shares to existing shareholders who were offered the opportunity to subscribe to three new shares for every ten shares held, at a subscription price of CHF 0.60 each. Approximately 24.2 million shares were taken up pursuant to the exercise of rights, equivalent to 46.3% of the total of 52.2 million shares available under the offering. Subsequently, the remaining approximately 28.0 million new shares were placed with Cargill, Inc. and a group of institutional investors who had made pre-commitments for 47.4 million shares. Due to the strong demand, not all pre-commitments by new investors could be satisfied in the allocation.

Including 14 million newly issued treasury shares, a total of 239,557,751 shares have now been entered in the Commercial Register, corresponding to a nominal value of CHF 47,911,550.20.

Evolve will publish its 2012 annual report on 9 April 2013.

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About Evolve

Evolve's mission is to discover and provide **innovative, sustainable ingredients for health, nutrition and wellness**. Evolve uses biosynthetic and evolutionary technologies to create and optimise small molecule compounds and their production routes. We are active in consumer healthcare and nutrition as well as in pharma. In both areas we have partnered projects as well as proprietary programmes. For more information see www.evolve.com.

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