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## **Omya enhances supply of active pharmaceutical ingredients**

**Production site in Kemalpaşa, Turkey gains health authority approval to produce GMP-compliant pharmaceutical ingredients aligned with ICH Q7**

**Oftringen (Switzerland), April 2023 – Omya facility in Kemalpaşa/Izmir has achieved Turkish Health Authority accreditation to manufacture calcium carbonate as an active pharmaceutical ingredient in line with the strictest quality requirements and industry-leading GMP-compliant manufacturing practices set out in ICH Q7. Together with its manufacturing sites in the USA and France, this is for Omya now the third fully certified plant supplying the pharma, nutraceutical and food industries. The plant is also compliant with the international ISO standards of “Basic Quality” (ISO 9001:2015), “Environment” (ISO 14001:2011) and “Work Safety”. (ISO 45001:2018). The company’s mineral particles are processed in Turkey from high-purity marble stone in accordance with the most stringent sustainability and quality standards, and with a very low environmental footprint. In the plant, ultrapure and white calcium carbonate is processed to various morphologies, thus offering a broad range of products with multiple functionalities.**

The resulting mineral ingredients designated for the pharmaceutical industry under the brand name Omyapure® offer numerous benefits for finished products, facilitate production processes and increase nutritional profiles. As such, Omyapure® can be used in antacid products as well as osteoporosis treatments, for example.

To successfully operate the plant while preserving and protecting its delicate surroundings, Omya is highly considerate of the environment in all areas of its activity.

Stefan Lander, Vice President Consumer Goods, Group Sales & Marketing at Omya, explains: “Having our third plant now certified for the production of pharmaceutical actives and expanding our offerings from Kemalpaşa will help us serve our global customers with natural

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and highly functional minerals, while maintaining a focus on economic and ecological efficiency, which is fully aligned with Omya’s purpose of making life better through our passion for minerals and chemistry.”

### About Omya Group

Omya is a leading global producer of industrial minerals – mainly derived from calcium carbonate, dolomite and perlite – and a worldwide distributor of specialty ingredients. Founded in 1884 in Switzerland, Omya has a global presence extending to more than 175 locations in over 50 countries with 9,000 employees. Omya provides sustainable added value products and services from responsibly sourced materials to meet the needs of current and future generations. In the Consumer Goods sector, Omya offers innovative solutions based on high purity natural minerals and complementary ingredients that comply with the most stringent regulatory and quality standards.

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