

Novartis to handover lab facilities in Ireland to SGS

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- *SGS (Swiss based Société Générale de Surveillance SA) will acquire and operate the assets from Novartis International Service Laboratory (ISL), located on the Novartis Ringaskiddy campus in Ireland.*
- *With this transaction the 100 Novartis associates currently working at the Laboratories will transfer from Novartis to SGS.*
- *This agreement foresees the continued provision of the Drug Substance Testing, Stability Program Management and Analytical Services and Technology (AS&T) to Novartis*

Ringaskiddy, January 12, 2021 — Novartis announced today that it has entered into an agreement with SGS, a leading global company in Analytical Testing, Inspection and Certification, to divest assets from the Novartis International Service Laboratory (ISL), located on the Novartis Ringaskiddy campus in Ireland.

Novartis has collaborated with SGS as an external supplier, for a number of years, and looks forward to a closer relationship, hosting SGS on the Novartis Ringaskiddy campus. The agreement foresees the continued provision of Drug Substance Testing, Stability Program Management and Analytical Services and Technology (AS&T) to Novartis.

Maeve Byrne, Managing Director, Novartis Ringaskiddy Limited said, “We are very proud of our colleagues in International Service Laboratory, who have a strong reputation of quality expertise over the last 22 years, and are excited to secure the continued development of ISL as an analytical center of excellence as well as to support the sustainability of jobs and expertise. Novartis is happy to host SGS on the Ringaskiddy campus and to continue the collaboration”.

About Novartis Ireland

About 110,000 people work at Novartis around the world. Novartis Ireland currently employs over 1,400 people across 3 locations in Cork and Dublin. Novartis manufacturing and development is based in Ringaskiddy (Cork) and is part of Novartis Technical Operations (NTO). The Innovative Medicines Division (Pharmaceuticals), the Novartis Global Service Center (NGSC) and Novartis Gene Therapies are located in Dublin. The International Service Laboratory (ISL) is part of the Novartis Integrated Services facility in Ringaskiddy (Cork).

About Société Générale de Surveillance SA (SGS)

SGS is a Swiss multinational company headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland which provides inspection, verification, testing and certification services. It has more than 89,000 employees and operates over 2,600 offices and laboratories worldwide. SGS, currently employs 300 people in Ireland, and following this announcement, the 100 Novartis associates currently working at the Laboratories will transition to SGS.

Novartis and SGS expect the transaction to be formally closed in the first quarter of 2021.

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