



## Ashland Hyderabad laboratory receives ISO certification

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WILMINGTON, Del., March 6, 2023 – Ashland’s life sciences laboratory in Hyderabad, India has attained ISO 17025:2017 certification, an international standard for laboratory management that sets the requirements for a laboratory’s competence, impartiality, and consistent operation.

“We are thrilled to achieve ISO 17025 certification,” said Nelson David Corda, general manager, life sciences, Asia Pacific. “It strengthens our ability to thoroughly support our regional customers while providing critical global support as an additional qualified lab for quality retests and stability work.”

Meeting the ISO standard at the Ashland Hyderabad lab provides the following benefits:

- Enhanced quality of services; certification demands strict adherence to accurate and immaculate procedures
- Customer trust through high-quality analytical services and competent results.
- Better cost control with improved processes
- Superior risk management as ISO 17025 requires a laboratory to assess and manage potential risks to its operations
- Improved efficiency through adherence to ISO 17025 requirements

“Achieving ISO certification in our Hyderabad lab signals another important step in the achievement of our long-term strategy.” said Ashok Kalyana, senior vice president and general manager, Life Sciences, Ashland, “We are building on our global capability to be responsive to our customers’ needs as they solve for performance attributes that will allow patients to take medicine in more convenient and tolerable ways.”

Ashland’s pharmaceutical business is well known for acetylenics, cellulose, and film coatings, and these polymers have a rich and diverse history supporting active pharmaceutical ingredient delivery. Deploying resources to build on existing high impact and high value technologies, Ashland is widening its portfolio of cellulose-based polymers (HPMC, HPC, CMC, HEC, EC), growing its excipient portfolio for injectables and biologics, including the possibility for customization, and focusing on film coatings that meet customer needs.

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