



## Evolve achieves stevia milestone

**23 December 2015** – Evolve (SIX: EVE) announces that it has achieved another technical milestone in its partnership with Cargill, Inc. to commercialise EverSweet™, the next-generation, zero-calorie stevia sweetener. Reaching this milestone triggers the payment of USD 0.5 million by Cargill to Evolve.

Negotiations continue on the commercialisation agreement with Cargill.

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### About Evolve

Evolve is a pioneer and global leader in sustainable, fermentation-based approaches to ingredients for health, wellness and nutrition. Evolve's products include stevia, resveratrol, vanillin, nootkatone and saffron. As well as developing its own proprietary ingredients, Evolve also deploys its technology for partners, providing them with a competitive edge and sharing in the returns they make. For more information see [www.evolva.com](http://www.evolva.com). Questions about our fermentation approach? Have a look at our [video](#).

### About EverSweet™

EverSweet™ is made with the best-tasting sweetness components found in the stevia leaf, Reb M and Reb D, which deliver a great taste with better sweetness intensity, faster sweetness onset and improved sweetness quality – without the bitterness or off-note aftertaste common with other stevia sweeteners. Because the stevia plant produces only trace amounts of these molecules, using Reb M and Reb D to produce a sweetener for mass-market products hasn't been commercially or environmentally viable until now with yeast fermentation.

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