



Opening ceremony at the new Archroma Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing in Korschbroich, Germany, in presence of Alexander Wessels (center), CEO, Mark Dohmen (right), Head of the Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing, and Thomas Hoffmann (left), Head of Operations, Korschbroich. (Photo: Archroma)

Archroma opens Global Competence Center for Automotive and Synthetic Dyeing in Germany

Archroma, a global leader in color and specialty chemicals towards sustainable solutions, has officially inaugurated its new Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing in Korschbroich, Germany.

The site is part of former M. Dohmen, an international group specializing in the

production of textile dyes and chemicals for the automotive, carpet and apparel sectors, that Archroma acquired between 2014 and 2018.

The inauguration ceremony, held on 6 May 2019 in the presence of Alexander Wessels, CEO of Archroma, and Mark Dohmen, former CEO of M. Dohmen and Head of the new Global Competence

Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing, also celebrated the merger of M. Dohmen GmbH into Archroma Germany GmbH.

With the new Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing, Archroma creates a global hub for technical expertise, market knowledge, technology and creativity.

The site of Korschenbroich will therefore continue to operate as a specialist production and laboratory facility specialized in dyes and auxiliaries for synthetic fibers and wool, such as the Dorospers®, Dorolan® and Fadex® ranges.

The exceptional combination of global experts, R&D laboratory and production will be fully dedicated to helping manufacturers of automotive and synthetic textiles to optimize their productivity and create value in their markets.

The new Competence Center for Automotive and Synthetic Dyeing comes as a new addition to Archroma's existing network of global hubs of expertise: The Global Competence Center for Special Dyes in Barcelona, Spain and the Global Competence Center for Finishing in Reinach, Switzerland.

"The new Archroma Global Competence Center will strive to create the new innovative and sustainable



Alexander Wessels, CEO of Archroma speaking at the opening ceremony of the new Archroma Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing in Korschenbroich, Germany. (Photo: Archroma)

system solutions that our customers need to win on their markets," Alexander Wessels commented at the ceremony. "This is how we best support our customers, whilst at the same time

pushing on our agenda to continuously challenge the status quo in the deep belief that we can make our industry sustainable."

"I am extremely proud to see the strong experience of M. Dohmen being the foundation of Archroma's Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing in Germany, serving customers operating in applications as demanding and challenging as automotive or technical textiles," Mark Dohmen added.

Experts of the new Archroma Global Competence Center for Automotive & Synthetic Dyeing will be at the upcoming Techtex

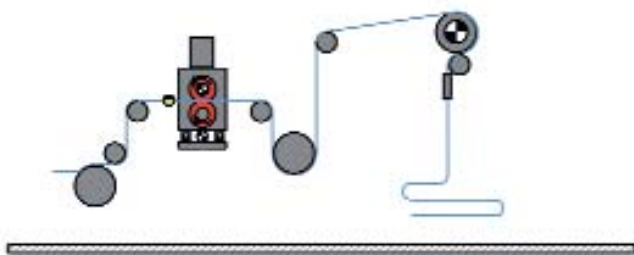
exhibition to introduce the latest of its innovations: Fadex® AS New, a new "super UV protector" to make automotive & transportation textiles more resistant to light. ♦

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