

Versalis (Eni) starts the production of Invix, bioethanol-based disinfectant at Crescentino

San Donato Milanese, 21 July 2020 - Versalis, Eni's chemical company, has launched a new line to produce liquid hand disinfectant marketed under the brand name Invix™ at its plant in Crescentino (Vercelli, Piedmont), to meet the growing demand as a result of the current health situation across the nation.

The disinfectant, which has been developed based on the formulation provided by the World Health Organization and authorized by the Italian Ministry of Health, is a medical device, the active substance of which is ethanol obtained from vegetable raw materials. The bio-ethanol is produced at the Crescentino plant, designed to process residual biomasses, which has been adapted to temporarily use corn glucose syrup as a raw material to cope with the health emergency.

The product acts as an effective disinfectant, thanks to the alcohol and hydrogen peroxide content, and as an emollient, because of its glycerine content.

The new range of Invix™ disinfectants will soon be expanded to include gel and surface sanitizing products.

As part of Eni's initiatives supporting communities to handle the current health situation, and thanks to the collaboration of the Italian National Customs Agency and its Vercelli department, several dozens of tonnes have already been delivered to the Piedmont Regional Environmental Protection Agency [ARPA] and the Civil Defence service of the Piedmont Region.

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