**DMC and Conagen Partner for Commercial Manufacturing of L-alanine**

**21 April 2021 –** DMC Biotechnologies and Conagen Inc. have entered into a manufacturing agreement for the commercial production of DMC’s first product, L-alanine.

L-alanine is a naturally occurring amino acid used widely in homecare products, human nutrition, and pharmaceutical applications. DMC’s fermentation technology enables L-alanine to be produced with attractive economics as part of a regional supply chain with increased reliability and greater sustainability.

This partnership combines Conagen’s production expertise with DMC's bioprocess technology and follows DMC’s [demonstration](https://dmcbio.com/press-releases/dmc-demonstrates-full-commercial-scale-at-record-speed) of commercial-scale production (85m3) in March 2021. DMC has a robust product pipeline, including additional amino acids, that will subsequently be brought to the market.

Matt Lipscomb, Ph.D., CEO & Co-Founder of DMC said, “We have successfully advanced our first product, L-alanine toward commercialization in less time and with much less capital than has traditionally been required in the biotech industry. DMC is now in a position to meet growing customer needs for economically attractive and sustainably produced products. The pandemic has clearly shown the value of regional and robust supply chains for everyday products.”

“We are proud to collaborate with DMC as a manufacturing partner to bring L-alanine to the growing global market. Utilizing our well-established R&D and commercialization capabilities, we are honored to provide commercial-scale production of DMC’s first product meeting customer requirements,” said Conagen CEO Oliver Yu.

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**About DMC**

DMC is a US biobased chemical company that makes products using microbial fermentation. Their proprietary technology simplifies biology and makes fermentation more predictable, robust, and efficient. DMC is on track to address two of the global challenges of our time: sustainably and affordably feeding a growing world population and reducing greenhouse gas emissions through efficient production of (bio)chemicals.

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Conagen is making the impossible possible. Our scientists and engineers use the latest synthetic biology tools to develop sustainable, nature-based molecules bio-manufactured into the highest quality products available. We focus on the bioproduction of high-value ingredients for food, nutrition, flavors and fragrances, pharmaceutical, and renewable materials industries. For more information, visit [www.conagen.com](http://www.conagen.com)

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