

# Press Release

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## **Romaco acquires Medipac AB (Sweden) Leader in the effervescent tablets sector**

**The Romaco Group's decision to purchase the assets of Medipac AB, the Swedish manufacturer of tube filling machines, will strengthen its position in the effervescent sector. The Medipac portfolio will in future be integrated in the Romaco Siebler brand. The contracts were signed on 25/11/2015.**

The Romaco Group has just acquired the assets of Medipac AB, a premier Swedish manufacturer of tube filling machines for effervescent tablets. The transaction was officially closed on 25/11/2015. The Medipac portfolio will in future be integrated in the Romaco Siebler brand, which is based in Karlsruhe (Germany). Medipac has its headquarters in Hässleholm (Sweden) and its experts will continue to provide valuable support to the Romaco Group.

Siebler has belonged to Romaco Pharmatechnik GmbH since 1998 and is today a leading supplier of strip packaging solutions for effervescent tablets. Medipac's tube filling technologies for effervescent tablets will round off the Romaco Siebler portfolio in this area. On the process side, Romaco will be able to create new synergetic effects with its Innojet and Kilian brands for granulating, coating and tableting effervescent powders. Cartoning and final packaging solutions in the Romaco Promatic series can be connected downstream of the Medipac filling machines.

“With the acquisition of Medipac AB, Romaco will become the only supplier in the world to offer complete line configurations for all effervescent”, emphasised Paulo Alexandre, CEO Romaco Group. “This unique selling point will enable Romaco to further extend its position as market leader for effervescent manufacturing and packaging technologies in the pharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals and healthcare industries.”

Medipac – established in Hässleholm (Sweden) in 2002 – is specialised in the development and manufacture of tube filling machines for effervescent tablets. Medipac machines are based on a modular design that gives users the maximum possible flexibility when implementing their respective technologies. The result: cost-efficient filling processes which can easily be adapted to any production environment. Medipac currently serves the international markets for effervescent pharmaceuticals and nutraceuticals, and is particularly strong in Eastern Europe and the U.S.

### **Careful handling is a must**

The manufacture and processing of effervescent tablets call for specialist expertise when it comes to granulating, coating and pressing the products and packing them into tubes or strips. Effervescent tablets tend to be very sensitive to air, light and humidity as well as fragile and highly friable. These factors have to be considered at all stages of manufacturing and the processes adapted accordingly. Effervescent tablets sold in tubes are ideal for daily use. If the products are only needed sporadically – or if they are especially susceptible to environmental factors – Romaco Siebler unit dose strip packaging makes a good alternative.

“We were on the lookout for a partner who would not only take over the business but also continue to run it in the spirit of its founders. Romaco is exactly right for us”, stressed Peter Jovic, Member of the Supervisory Board, Medipac AB. “We anticipate that the integration in the Romaco Siebler brand will pave the way for Medipac products to achieve lasting commercial and technological success.”

### **The Romaco Group**

Romaco is a leading global supplier of Processing and Packaging equipment, predominantly for the pharmaceutical industry. Divided into three business areas, Processing, Tableting and Packaging, the company develops engineered system solutions for the pharmaceutical market, but also supplies the cosmetics, food and chemical markets. Romaco operates from four European locations with the headquarters in Karlsruhe, Germany. The company serves the multiple industries through a total of eight brands: The packaging product lines Noack, Siebler, Bosspak, Macofar, Promatic and Unipac are manufactured in Karlsruhe, Germany and in Bologna, Italy. The tableting product line Kilian is produced in German Cologne while the Innojet product line in German Steinen is responsible

for granulation and coating. Romaco's product portfolio includes primary, secondary and final packaging, aseptic and non-aseptic liquid and powder filling, tablet press technologies, granulation and coating. Over 12,000 Romaco installations are currently in operation in more than 180 countries. The company's worldwide customer base is supplied and supported by over 500 highly skilled and committed employees.

In 2014 the Romaco Group was voted by "Wirtschaftswoche", the prestigious German business weekly as one of Germany's best 50 innovators among small and medium-sized enterprises. In this corporate benchmarking contest, Romaco was named runner-up in the "Process and Packaging Machinery" category. In the "Pharmaceutical Machinery" segment, the Group was awarded first prize.

For more information about the Romaco Group, visit [www.romaco.com](http://www.romaco.com)

**The following picture is enclosed with the press release:**

1. Paulo Alexandre, CEO Romaco Group, together with Peter Jovic, Member of the Supervisory Board, Medipac AB  
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