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VITAMIN

01

According to BASF, an explosion and fire incident occurred at its Ludwigshafen global headquarters site in Germany at around 8:30 a.m. on September 21, injuring two outsourced staff. The Ludwigshafen site is BASF's global headquarters and one of Europe's largest integrated chemical production complexes. BASF has not yet disclosed the specific facility involved, the extent of damage, or the expected maintenance period

AMINO ACID

02

Since March 2026, exports of L-Lysine esters and salts have continued to decline amid intensifying international trade frictions. China's August exports fell to 73,000 MT, with an average price of USD 0.90/KG, both approaching three-year lows. Antidumping tariffs imposed by Brazil and the U.S. have further affected exports. After L-Lysine HCl 98.5% prices fell to around USD 0.91-0.93/KG in late August, domestic demand improved with pre-holiday stocking in early September. Mainstream producers have shown stronger price support, and the market has begun to stabilize.

API

03

- Shandong Sine Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. recently announced an API and finished-dose production project with a total investment of approximately USD 57.01 million. The project will focus on specialty products including sedative-hypnotics, anxiolytics, antihypertensives, and antiarrhythmics, integrating API production with pharmaceutical formulation.
- Amoxicillin mainstream producers have raised quotations again, with current prices around USD 24/KG. Market inquiries have become more active, while downstream buyers remain focused on essential demand. Producer supply conditions remain a key factor to monitor.

FOOD ADDITIVE

04

On September 19, Doctor's Best, the global nutrition brand under Kingdomway Group, and JD Health entered into a strategic partnership in the U.S. The two parties will collaborate on premium product development, quality standards, product traceability, localized testing, and industry quality development, combining JD Health's platform and consumer insights with Doctor's Best's brand, product, raw material, and global supply-chain capabilities.

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