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China Approves World's First Recombinant Botulinum Toxin Type A Drug

China has granted marketing authorization to retoxin®, a pioneering recombinant botulinum toxin developed by claruviv pharmaceutical. This approval shifts the industry from traditional bacterial extraction to a precision genetic engineering manufacturing process. Experts note this breakthrough offers higher purity and safety, setting a new global standard for neurotoxin therapeutics. **(National Medical Products Administration)**

China Sets Four-Year Deadline for Confirmatory Trials of Conditionally Approved Drugs

The national medical products administration issued new rules requiring drugmakers to complete post-marketing confirmatory studies within four years. Failing to meet this deadline or secure an extension may result in the revocation of the drug's registration certificate. Regulators say this policy closes loopholes that allow some drugs to stay conditionally approved without verifying full efficacy. **(National Medical Products Administration)**

Six Major Chemical Sub-sectors with The Largest Price Increases in 2026

China's chemical sector entered a structural price boom in Q2 2026, with May chemical PPI jumping to 12.7%. Driven by global supply cuts, high oil costs, dual demand and optimized competition, six subsectors including electronic gas, lithium electrolyte and sulfur saw sharp price hikes amid record-low inventories, favoring integrated industry leaders. **(Toutiao)**

Rising Import Outlook Signals a Critical Turning Point for Coal Chemical Market

The easing of tensions in the Strait of Hormuz is expected to increase China's methanol imports in June to 500,000 to 550,000 tons from 310,000 tons in May. High domestic production and weak seasonal demand are pulling down methanol prices. Low port inventories are providing some support, but the market still faces increasing supply pressure and is trending towards inventory accumulation. **(Xinhua)**

The China Chemical Equipment Expo Opened in Shanghai on June 9

CTEF 2026 opened in Shanghai on June 9, covering 70,000 sqm with 1,000 exhibitors from 20+ countries. It drew 88 overseas purchasing delegations targeting agrochemicals, chlor-alkali and new energy sectors. Global giants, domestic specialized manufacturers and 22 industrial clusters showcased equipment, alongside 20+ forums on green and smart chemical tech. **(Sohu)**