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Service calculates API-making costs for generics

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Thomson Reuters and *Rondaxe Enterprises* have joined forces to help drugmakers determine--within 5 to 10 percent--the API manufacturing costs for generics and other drugs. The cost estimating service targets those who are evaluating contract manufacturing organizations, conducting due diligence for facility acquisitions, or performing a competitive analysis of multiple generic manufacturers.

The service combines patent-disclosure information with the *Rondaxe CoGS* (cost of goods sold) software to calculate manufacturing costs, according to *Pharmaceutical Commerce* magazine. *Rondaxe* says the estimates are accurate even in cases in which many alternative synthesis routes and starting materials may be used.

The patent information comes from *Thomson Reuters'* Newport service. The *Rondaxe* software helps decipher the manufacturing processes details and requirements. The software is an offshoot of a program sold by *Rondaxe* to manufacturers for their own cost estimating.

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