



NSF Certification for Sabinsa's Products and Facilities

In anticipation of the FDA's tightening regulations on dietary supplements, Sabinsa Corporation validated the safety and quality of its key nutraceutical ingredients, and the conformance of its facilities to current good manufacturing practices.

Proof of product purity and safety was obtained by submitting these ingredients to NSF International, the well established public health and safety organization. Gugulipid[®] 40 mesh 2.5 percent extract, Curcumin C3 Complex[®], Tribulus terrestris 20 percent extract, Indole-3-Carbinol and Triphala extract were some of the ingredients tested. Sabinsa's facilities were also audited by NSF for conformance to current good manufacturing practices.

As summarized by Todd Norton , President of Sabinsa Corporation:

"We felt it important to take a proactive stance and work directly with an independent third-party, and in cooperation with our customers, to ensure our ingredients comply to the highest industry safety standards."

The FDA published draft guidelines on the current good manufacturing practice requirements for dietary supplements in March 2003, and is currently reviewing comments from the industry. FDA is also working on introducing a regulatory strategy for dietary supplements with an increased emphasis on safety.

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Sabinsa Corporation Participates In Informex 2005

2005 marked the 22nd year of INFORMEX®, the custom chemical industry's premier marketing event. This is the first time that Sabinsa took part in the annual global event.

The event is organized by SOCMA (Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association). Sabinsa exhibited its Custom Synthesis capabilities and showcased its range of Specialty Chemicals. This marks Sabinsa's foray into Custom manufacturing of Chemicals by leveraging on its research capabilities.

Sabinsa's list of specialty chemicals is presented on the back page of this letter.



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Patent for Tetrahydropiperine

Sami Labs/Sabinsa Corporation received US Patent # 6,849,645 for the invention titled "Method of increased bioavailability of nutrients and pharmaceutical preparations with tetrahydropiperine and its analogues and derivatives".

Tetrahydropiperine is a derivative of piperine, an alkaloid found in black pepper and long pepper. This compound is naturally found in small amounts in black pepper and long pepper. The patent describes novel applications of Tetrahydropiperine in enhancing the bioavailability of nutrients, drugs and other active compounds. When formulated with Tetrahydropiperine, poorly absorbable active compounds such as curcuminoids are better absorbed through the skin and gastrointestinal tract.

The invention also describes the role of analogs or derivatives of tetrahydropiperine, such as alkyltetrahydropiperines, dialkyltetrahydropiperines, alkoxyated tetrahydropiperine, hydroxylated



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tetrahydropiperine, halogenated tetrahydropiperine, alkylidihydropiperines, dialkylidihydropiperines, alkoxyated dihydropiperine, and halogenated dihydropiperine, as enhancers of nutrient or drug bioavailability and in improving the absorption of nutrients and/or drugs. Compositions containing active compounds, together with tetrahydropiperine or its analogs or derivatives are also described. These compounds include nutrients, anti-inflammatory compounds, natural conditioning agents, anthelmintics, insecticides and drug actives.

Cosmoperine^{®*} (INCI: Tetrahydropiperine) is a branded ingredient that can be used in cosmetic formulations to enhance the uptake and bioavailability of topically applied active compounds.

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COSMETIC CORNER

We are happy to announce the appointment of new agents in France and Germany for our cosmeceuticals line - Brenntag Specialties, France and ROVI Cosmetics, Germany .

Brenntag Specialties is the division of the Brenntag Group (a leading global chemical distribution company) that deals with specialty products for the cosmetics industry. A highly skilled technically qualified sales staff is available for sales and service support. Brenntag Specialties is based in Sartrouville near Paris , and has established business relationships with several major cosmetic companies in France .

Based in Schlüchtern , Germany , ROVI Cosmetics has a global presence, being represented in over 34 countries. The company focuses on marketing and distributing high quality cosmetic active ingredients. Staffed by experienced professionals in the cosmetic

industry, ROVI has established an impressive network of clients in the German market.

With the establishment of these two partnerships, Sabinsa is poised to make further inroads into the cosmetic market in Europe .

TRADESHOWS:

Sabinsa Corporation will participate in the following upcoming industry events:

InCosmetics 2005
April 12-14
Berlin , Germany

Supply Side East 2005
May 4-6
Baltimore , Maryland

Vitafoods Show 2005
May 10-12
Geneva , Switzerland

NYSCC 2005
May 10-11
Secaucus , New Jersey

ChemSpec Europe 2005;
June 22-23
Dusseldorf , Germany

PRODUCT ADS

Look for new product advertisements in the following publications:

HAPPI, Soap, Perfumery & Cosmetics, Cosmetics & Toiletries, Natural Products Insider, Chemical Market Reporter