

# Evonik's SPHINOX® Immulance wins Ringier Technology Innovation Awards for Personal Care 2023

- A new ceramide that protects the skin by balancing the skin's immune barrier
- Reinforces Evonik's leading position as a preferred sustainable specialties partner for the personal care industry
- Ringier Technology Innovation Awards for Personal Care are among the most prestigious awards in China's beauty industry

Shanghai/China. Evonik has received the Ringier Technology Innovation Awards for Personal Care 2023 for its newly launched ceramide SPHINOX® Immulance, which protects the skin by balancing its immune barrier. This is the fifth consecutive year that the Care Solutions business at Evonik has been recognized by the local industry for its innovations that deliver superior outcomes in sustainability and functionality.

Evonik's Care Solutions business is guided by a vision that puts sustainability, innovation and collaboration at its core. Ceramides are an integral part of many System Solutions for customers in the cosmetics industry. System Solutions are multi-component offerings across products, technologies and services that are tailored to a unique customer need and often have proven sustainability benefits. The life sciences division at Evonik, Nutrition & Care is home to the Care Solutions business and has a goal of increasing its share of System Solutions from 20 percent today to 50 percent by 2030.

"This award recognizes Evonik's consistent efforts to decode the full potential of ceramides, which are becoming increasingly popular with end-consumers in China," says Madeline Tan, regional business director in Asia North of Evonik's Care Solutions business line, "we will continue to support local customers with innovative and scientifically proven solutions that enable and enhance their formulations to meet the more diversified market demands."

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## Press release



SPHINOX® Immulance is a unique ceramide based on uneven fatty acid side chains that are known for its various health benefits as a food supplement. With this new product, Evonik is the first to explore ceramides with odd-numbered fatty acids and their cosmetic benefits. In combination with phytosphingosine as a base, SPHINOX® Immulance boosts the skin's antimicrobial defense mechanisms by induction of antimicrobial peptides, strengthens the skin's immune barrier and sooths overreactive skin.

#### Company information

Evonik is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. The company is active in more than 100 countries around the world and generated sales of €18.5 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of €2.49 billion in 2022. Evonik goes far beyond chemistry to create innovative, profitable, and sustainable solutions for customers. About 34,000 employees work together for a common purpose: We want to improve life today and tomorrow.

#### **About Nutrition & Care**

The focus of the business of the Nutrition & Care division is on health and quality of life. It develops differentiated solutions for active pharmaceutical ingredients, medical devices, nutrition for humans and animals, personal care, cosmetics, and household cleaning. In these resilient end markets, the division generated sales of €4.24 billion in 2022 with about 5,700 employees.

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