

AC DermaPeptide Warming PF



Warming Sensation
 Non-Irritating
 Microcirculation
 Natural
 Nourishing
 Conditioning

BACKGROUND

Sensorial triggers are a target for many cosmetic formulations, being a universal symbol to consumers that a product is working and working well. **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF** harnesses the same warming sensation felt from spicy cuisines but without the accustomed irritation. The active ingredient within the pepper, *Capsicum frutescens*, is capsaicin: an oil-soluble active fraction¹ known to offer multiple skin benefits. These benefits can include high levels of antioxidants ranging from ascorbic acid and glutathione to robust enzymes, such as superoxide dismutase, and an increase in the skin's microcirculation. Microcirculation aids in delivery of nutrients and enhanced oxygen delivery to skin cells which creates an optimal environment for product performance. However, irritation is a common side effect of capsaicin. Active Concepts has decreased the irritating properties of capsaicin through the process of fermentation. Throughout this process the irritating components are reduced while still optimizing the key benefits capsaicin has to offer in **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF**.

SCIENCE

Capsaicin interacts with sensory neurons by binding to receptors in the brain called Vanilloid Receptor Subtype 1 (VR1).² This receptor is an ion channel which, when stimulated by heat, allows cations to travel into the cell. When enough cations enter the cell, the neuron depolarizes and a signal is sent to the brain, causing us to recognize a warming sensation.³

To create a functional ingredient that also provides a warming sensation, we fermented the macerated fruit of *Capsicum frutescens* with *Lactobacillus*. This combines the anti-irritant benefits of *Lactobacillus* with the known properties of capsicum, such as an increase in circulation.

Code Number: 20458PF

INCI Name: Lactobacillus/Capsicum Frutescens Fruit Ferment Extract

INCI Status: Conforms

REACH Status: Complies

CAS Number: 85940-30-3

EINECS Number: 288-920-0

Origin: Biotechnology/Botanical

Processing:

GMO Free
 No Ethoxylation
 No Irradiation
 No Sulphonation

Additives:

Natural Antimicrobial: Leuconostoc/
 Radish Root Ferment Filtrate
 Preservatives: None
 Antioxidants: None
 Other additives: None

Solvents Used: Water

Appearance: Slightly Viscous, Light Tan to Amber Liquid

Soluble/ Miscible: Water Soluble
 89.7% Biodegradability

Microbial Count: <100 CFU/g,
 No Pathogens

Suggested Use Levels: 0.5 - 15.0%

Suggested Applications:
 Increased Circulation, Anti-Irritant

Benefits of **AC DermaPeptide**

Warming PF:

- Increased Microcirculation
- Warming Sensation
- Sensorial Stimulation

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During the fermentation process, a biotransformation takes place, which creates a capsaicinoid that has increased solubility, additional cell metabolism-increasing factors, and anti-irritant properties. Unlike most capsicum extracts, **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF** contains a functional active capsaicinoid that is water-soluble.

BENEFITS

It has become a popular trend to have sensational personal care products, so we have developed **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF** to be effective while also having that "sensory key" to let you know that the product is actually working. In order to have healthy, radiant skin it is critical to have optimal circulation. **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF** utilizes the stimulating qualities of capsicum to leave your skin feeling warm so you can actually feel the increase in circulation. **AC DermaPeptide Warming PF** is useful in a wide variety of cosmetic and personal care products, ranging from anti-aging creams and skin clarifiers to warming lotions and gels.

EFFICACY DATA

A Periscan PIM II Perfusion Laser Doppler Imaging system was used to non-invasively determine an increase in dermal circulation. A 5-subject panel consisting of 5 caucasian females between the ages of 32 and 43 was assembled and provided with two aqueous solutions, one containing 1.0% of the test material (**AC DermaPeptide Warming PF**) and the other containing 3.0% of the test material. As a control, 1.0% and 3.0% solutions of a non-fermented capsicum extract were also applied.

AC DermaPeptide Warming PF was shown to deliver the same efficacious increase in blood flow without the dermal irritation associated with non-fermented capsicum. Figure 1 which shows the mean blood flow of these two materials and is comparable when used at the same levels.

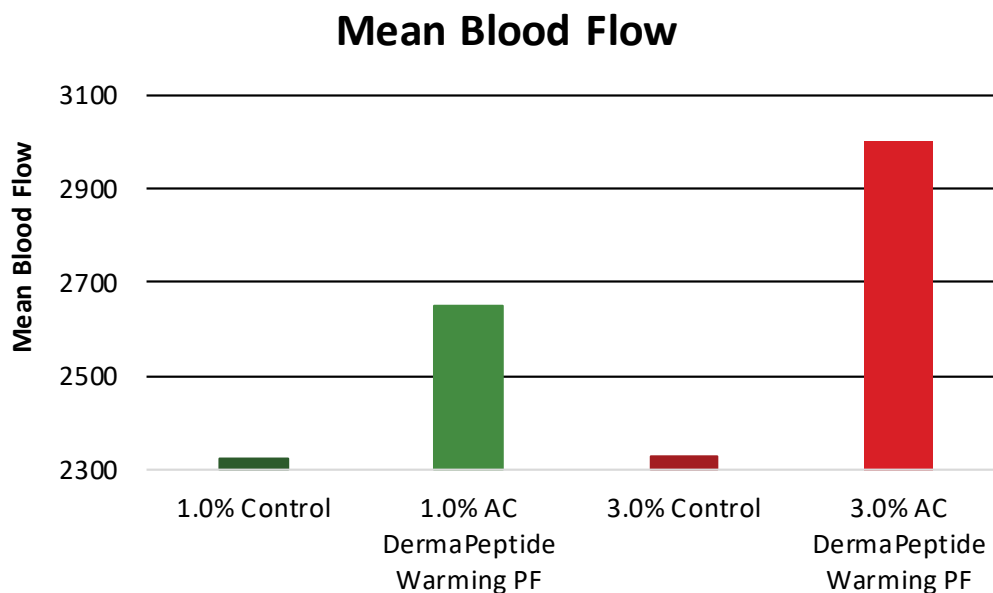


Figure 1. Mean Blood Flow

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