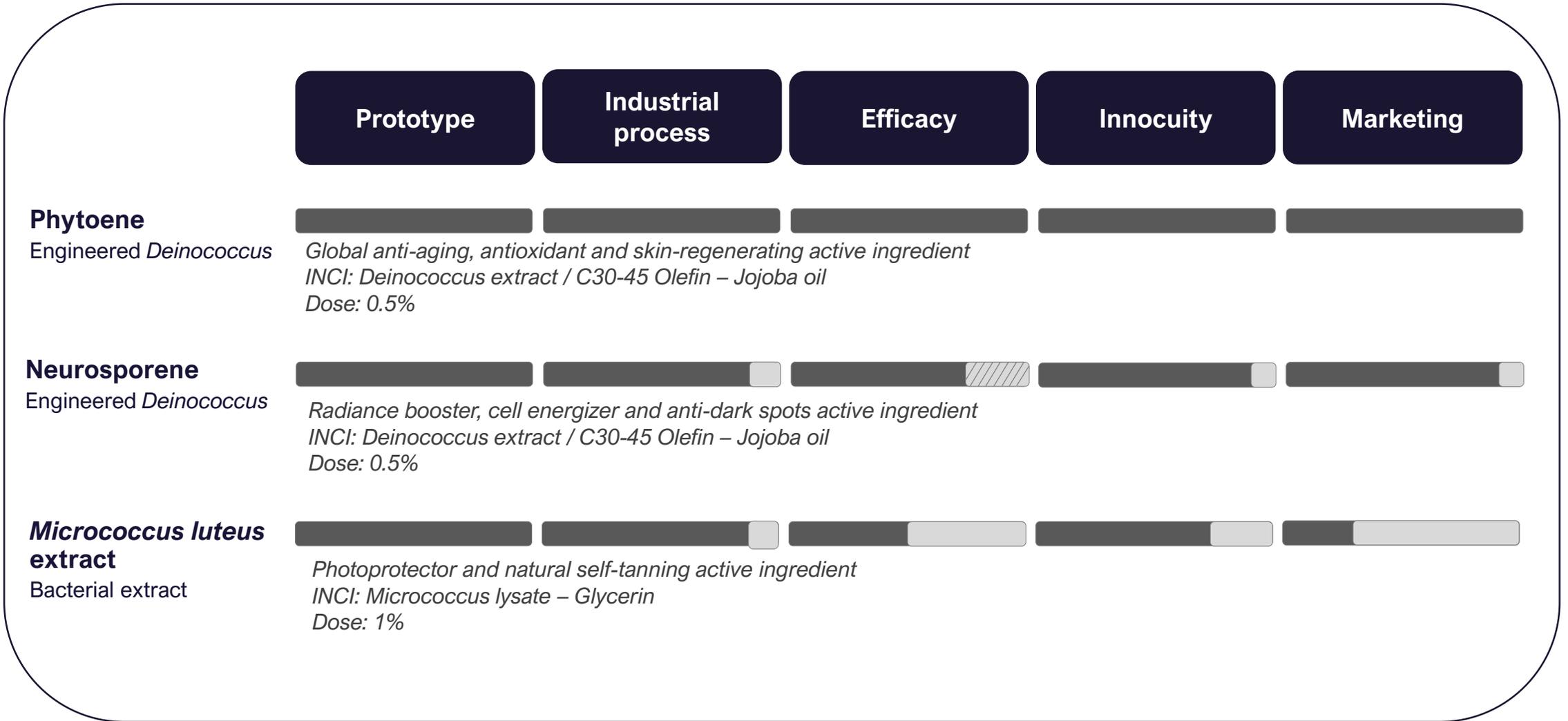


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**Cosmetic  
assets**



# DEINOVE's active ingredients portfolio



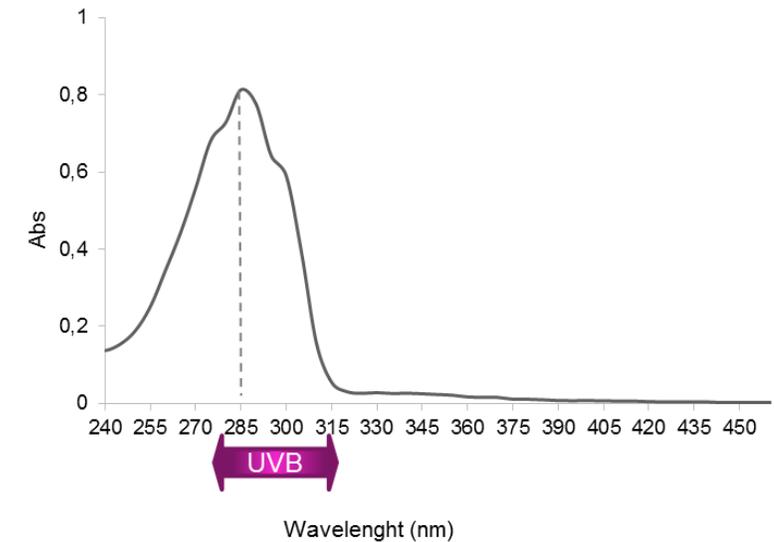
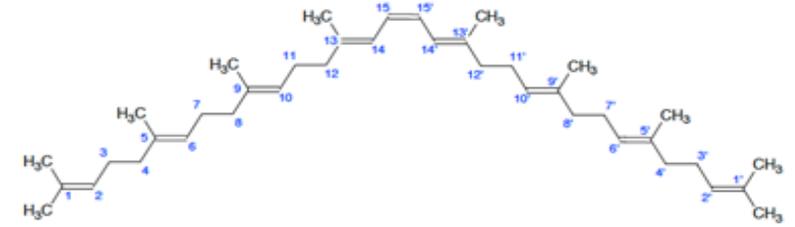
# Phytoene



# Phytoene

Global anti-aging, antioxidant and skin-regenerating active ingredient

- **Properties:**
  - ✓ The precursor of all carotenoids
  - ✓ A colorless molecule
  - ✓ The only carotenoid absorbing UVB
  - ✓ Lipophilic molecule
  - ✓ Need a sustainable sourcing
- Dietary phytoene intake is coming from vegetables and fruits<sup>1</sup>.
- Daily intake within an equilibrated regimen is estimated around 2 mg/day<sup>2</sup>.
- Phytoene accumulates within the skin at a level around 65 ng/g of skin<sup>1</sup>.



1. Khachik et al. (2002). *Experimental Biology and Medicine* (Maywood, N.J.), 227(10), 845–51.

2. Biehler et al. (2012). *Journal of Food Composition and Analysis*, 25(1), 56–65.



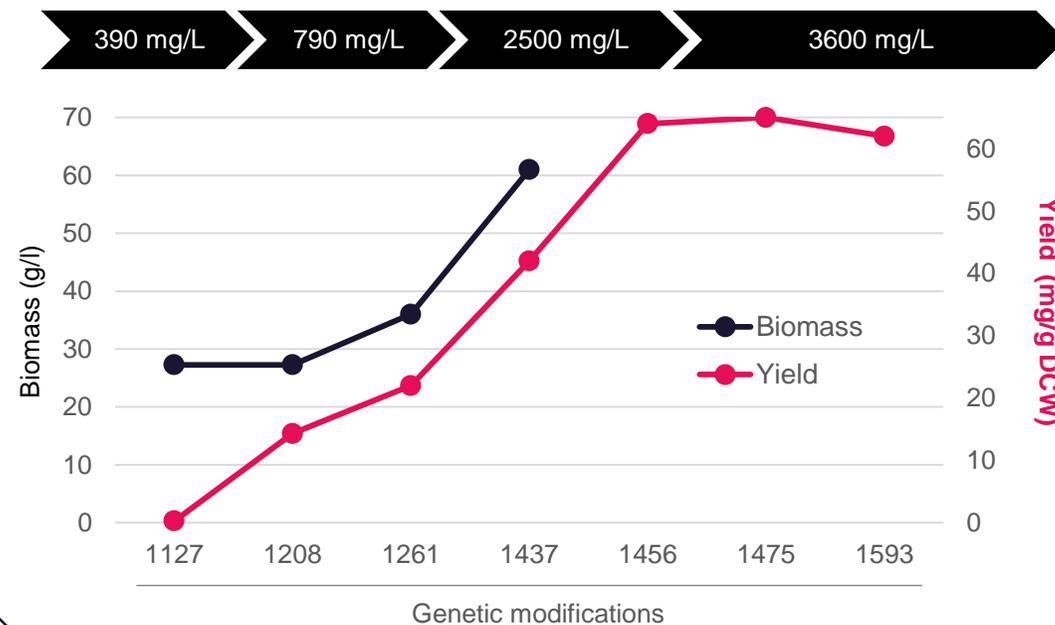
# Phytoene

## Development of an industrial compatible process

### Prototype

#### 1. Strain development and fermentation process

Combined progress in genetic engineering and fermentation to improve performances: **x540**



#### 2. Extraction, purification, formulation

- Process scalable up to industrial scale
- Use of solvent compatible with cosmetic rules
- Absence of heavy metals, CMRs, allergens...
- Stable ingredient

- Process development to secure upscaling
- Process advantages:
  - ✓ Independent of seasonality and climate
  - ✓ High concentration of molecules
  - ✓ Sustainable raw materials
  - ✓ No preservatives



# Phytoene

## Scale-up success

### Industrial process

#### DEINOVE development

##### **Fermentation:**

- ✓ Process development of this hardly cultivable thermophilic strain
  - ❖ Mineral medium
  - ❖ Fed batch process of 96h
  - ❖ Exponential feed rate

##### **Downstream:**

- ✓ Process development
  - ❖ Diafiltration
  - ❖ S/L separation (centrifugation)
  - ❖ Maceration
  - ❖ S/L separation (filtration)
  - ❖ Evaporation
  - ❖ Formulation



#### CDMO transfer and production

##### **Industrial transfer: 4 batch were produced in 2m<sup>3</sup> scale**

- ✓ Process book validated
- ✓ Process robustness
- ✓ Process repeatability
- ✓ Lab scale performances recovered





# Phytoene

## Stability confirmed over 30 months at room temperature

### Industrial process

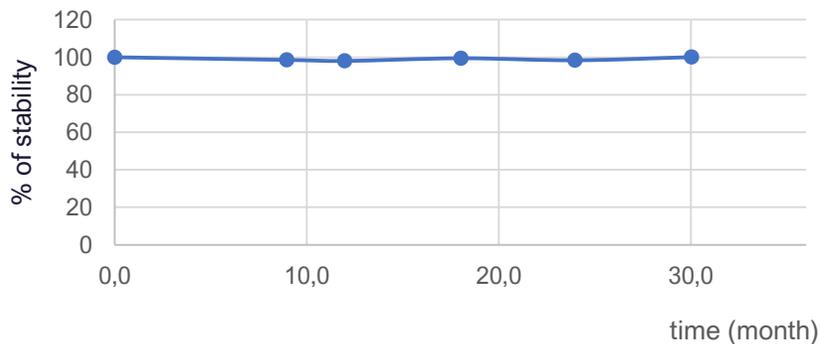
#### • Stability study

Organoleptic evaluation and analytical control (HPLC) for 2 months at 45°C & 50°C and 18 months at 4°C & 20°C

#### • Stability study in a cream

Organoleptic evaluation and analytical control (HPLC) for 1 month at 50°C and 3 months at 4°C, 20°C & 42°C

**Stability evolution of PHT batch 20044V4 over 30 months at 20°C**



➤ Phytoene, a colorless to yellow solution, remains stable over 30 months at 20°C

T0	3 months at 20°C
White cream Iris cotton odor <i>Phytoene:</i> 44.5 ±1.7 (mg/kg)	White cream Iris cotton odor <i>Phytoene:</i> 48.4 ±0.2 (mg/kg)

➤ Phytoene remains stable in a cream

*NB: A complementary study shows that phytoene is also stable in olive oil, squalane and isoamyl laurate. Phytoene is also stable in jojoba oil from 2 different suppliers.*

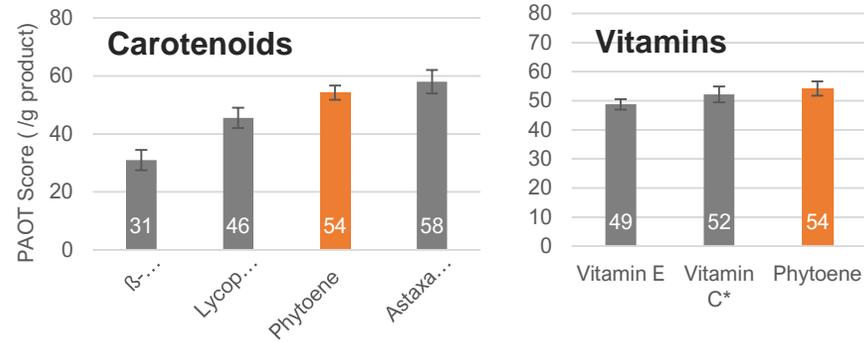


# Phytoene

## A potent antioxidant

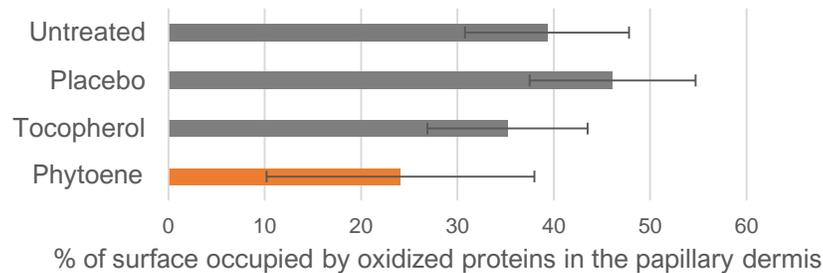
### Efficacy

#### *In vitro* PAOT test



➤ **Powerful antioxidant** compared to carotenoid & vitamin benchmarks

#### *Ex vivo* protein oxidation



➤ **Protection of proteins** from oxidation by phytoene: -40%

#### *Ex vivo* lipid peroxidation products under UV irradiations



➤ **Protection of lipids** from oxidation caused by UV irradiations by phytoene: -79%



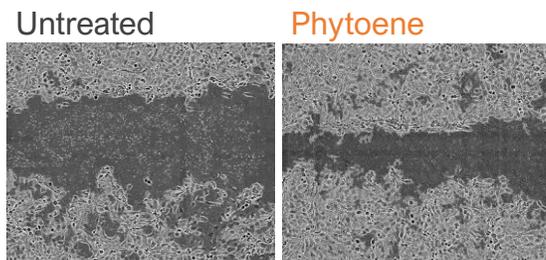
# Phytoene

## A potent antioxidant

### Efficacy

#### *In vitro* scratch test

Cell repair  
23h after a scratch



- **Skin repair acceleration by Phytoene (x1,5)**

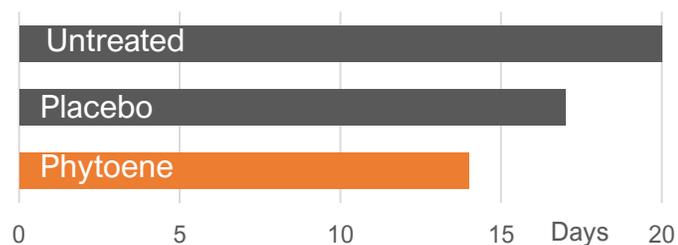
#### *In vitro* proteomic analysis

52% of proteins significantly impacted by phytoene (x1,5) are involved in skin regeneration

- **Upregulation of Laminin-5 by phytoene (x1,9)**

#### *In vivo* skin regeneration

Days before total skin regeneration (DHA test)



- **Complete skin regeneration by phytoene after 14 days**



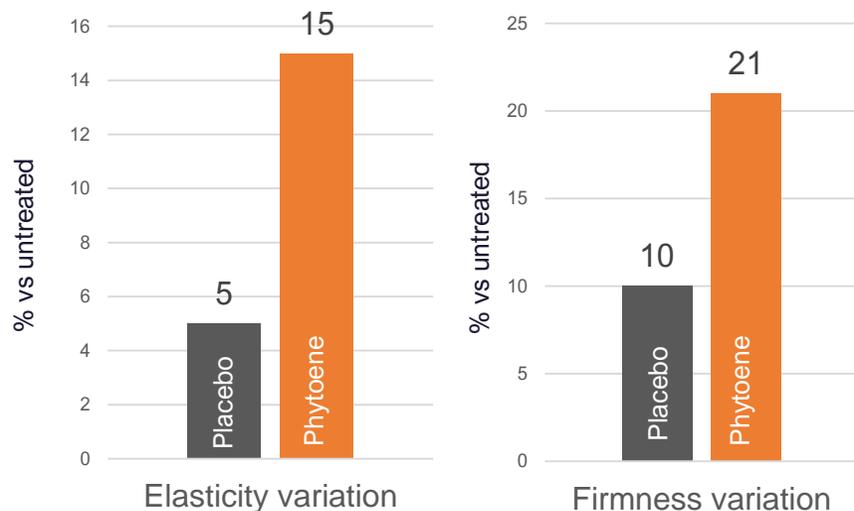
# Phytoene

## Wrinkles reduction tested clinically

### Efficacy

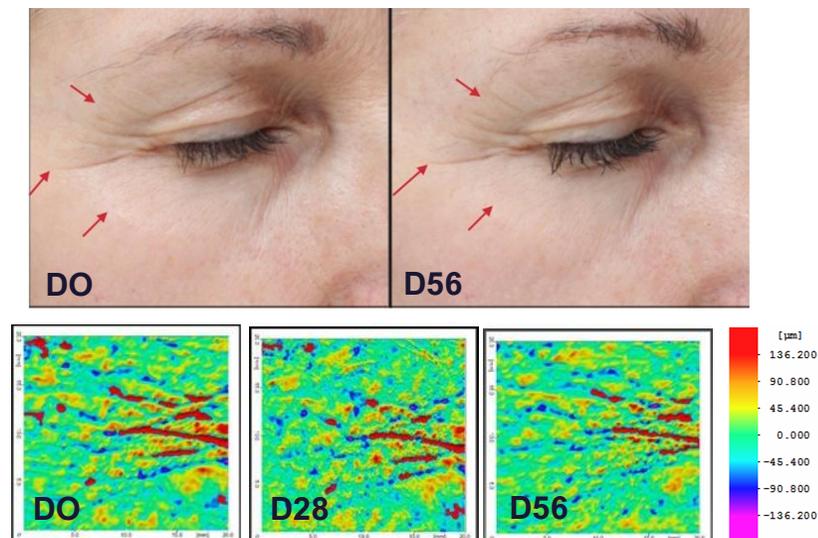
Clinical study: 15 women, ± 55years old, half face application, twice/day for 56 days

#### Cutometer test



- **Significant improvement of skin elasticity (x3) and skin firmness (x2) by phytoene after 56 days.**

#### VISIA test & AEVA test



- **Improvement of skin texture and wrinkles reduction by phytoene: -17% after 56 days. No improvement with placebo.**



# Phytoene

Global anti-aging, antioxidant and skin-regenerating active ingredient

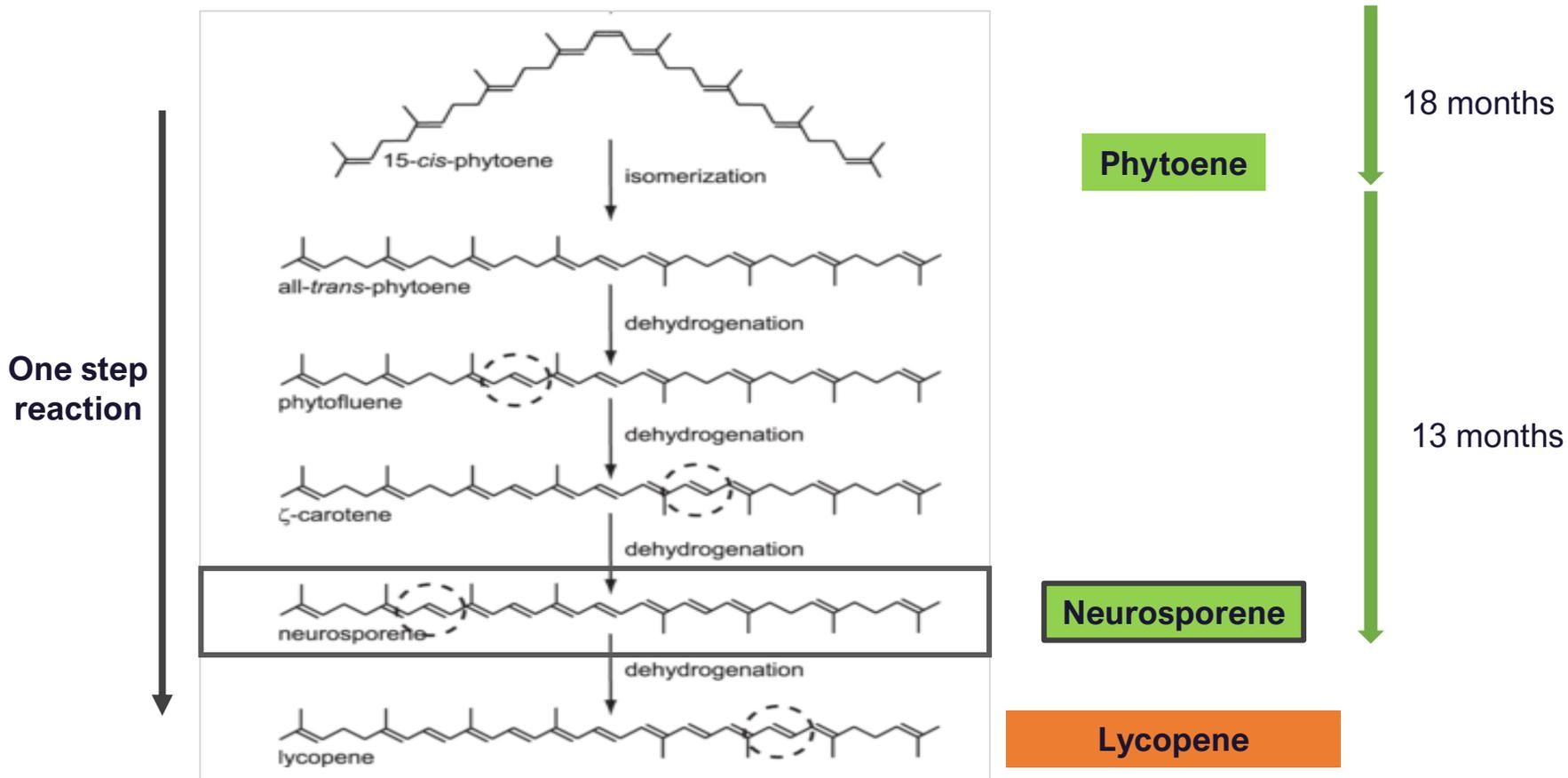
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<b>Industrial process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robust and reproducible controlled process, good extraction yield, fast process, good traceability</li><li>• Upscaling successful (4 industrial batches to date)</li><li>• Stability confirmed: 30 months at room temperature</li></ul>
<b>Efficacy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Highly efficient at low dosage (0.5%) for skin protection and repair thus promoting a youthful skin</li><li>• Identified mode of action to enhance skin regeneration based on Laminin-5</li><li>• Clinically tested for its anti-aging properties: anti-wrinkle, skin firming, skin elasticity</li></ul>
<b>Innocuity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety confirmed with 100% of the active ingredient (1% phytoene): skin irritation (SkinEthic), skin sensitization (KeratinoSens / in silico / Direct Peptide Reactivity Assay), ocular irritation (Het-Cam), skin compatibility (Patch test), phototoxicity, reverse mutation assay in bacteria (Ames test)</li></ul>
<b>Marketing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Original storytelling: <i>Deinococcus</i>, an extraordinary microorganism famous for its extreme resistance</li><li>• 100% Made in France, 100% natural origin (ISO 16128), easy to use in various cosmetic products</li></ul>

# Neurosporene



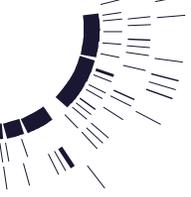
# Neurosporene

DEINOVE's expertise to obtain a stable strain in fermenter producing a targeted molecule



➤ Greater control of the strain development process ⇒ Faster design





# Neurosporene

## Intellectual Property

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### Marketing

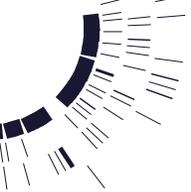
- **FTO**

Free to operate for a method of production of neurosporene from *D. geothermalis* or any other recombinant host cells expressing variant of *crtl* genes encoding the phytoene desaturase and wherein said variant exhibits a modified product specificity towards neurosporene.

- **Patents**

One DEINOVE's patent applications filed that cover DEINOVE's activities on neurosporene applications:

« **Utilisation du neurosporène pour protéger la peau des effets délétères de la lumière bleue** » (PF29)

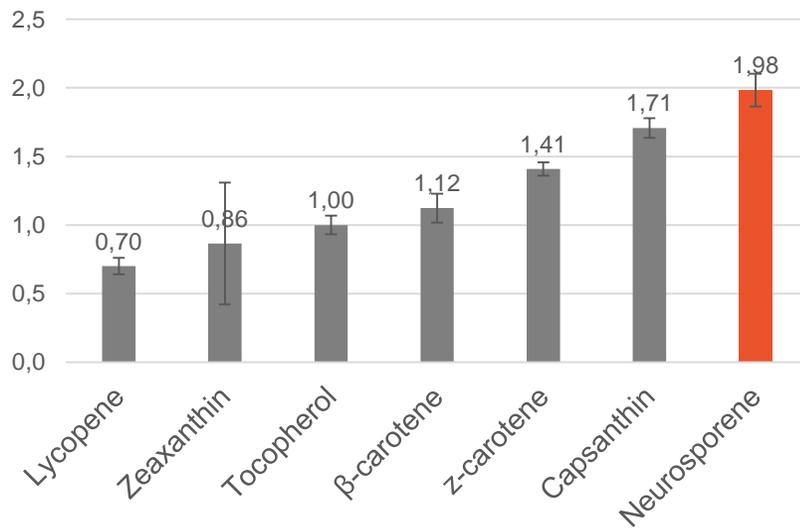


# Neurosporene

## Sharp antioxidant properties

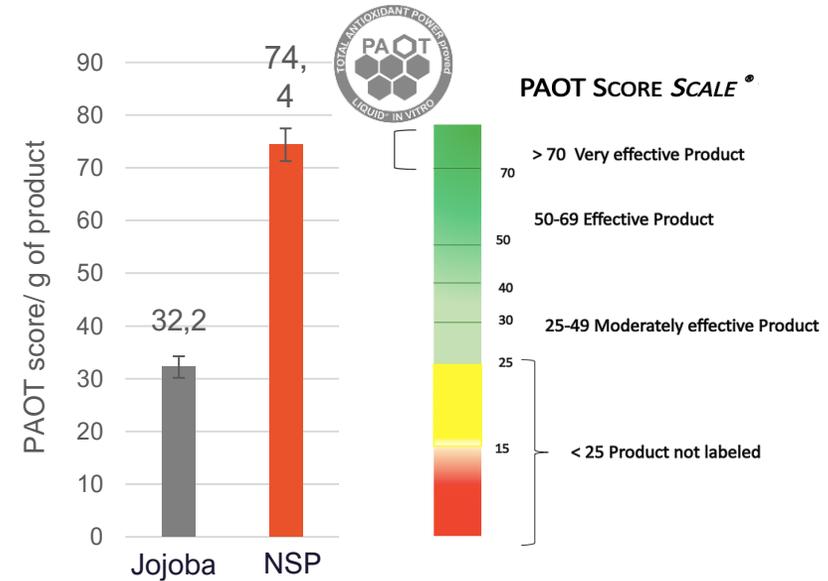
### Efficacy

#### ABTS method



- **Better antioxidant capacity** of neurosporene than well-known antioxidants such as Vitamin E, β-Carotene, Lycopene, Zeaxanthin, Capsanthin

#### PAOT Liquid Technology®



- Classified as a **“very effective product”** in terms of total antioxidant power, which places neurosporene at the top of products scale (Green zone).

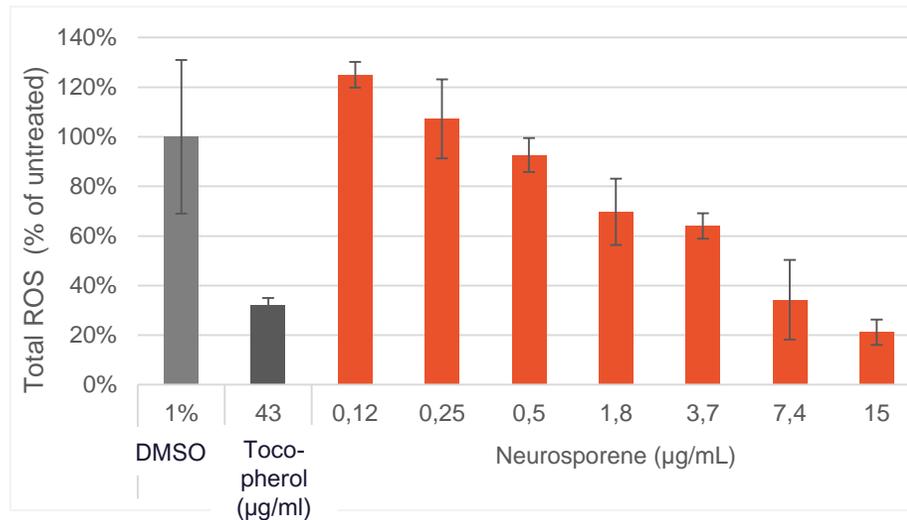


# Neurosporene

## UVA and blue-light protection

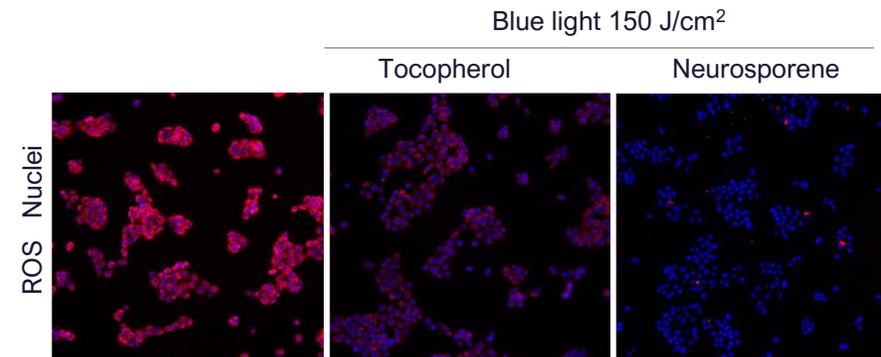
### Efficacy

- **ROS production under UVA irradiations**  
Human keratinocytes; UVA irradiation: 20J/cm<sup>2</sup>

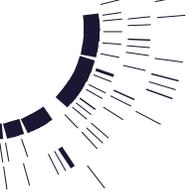


- **Reduction of UVA-induced ROS production by neurosporene: -80%**

- **ROS production under blue light irradiations**  
Human keratinocytes; blue-light irradiation: 150J/cm<sup>2</sup>



- **Inhibition of blue light-induced ROS by neurosporene: -99%. Activity also observed at the mitochondrial level.**



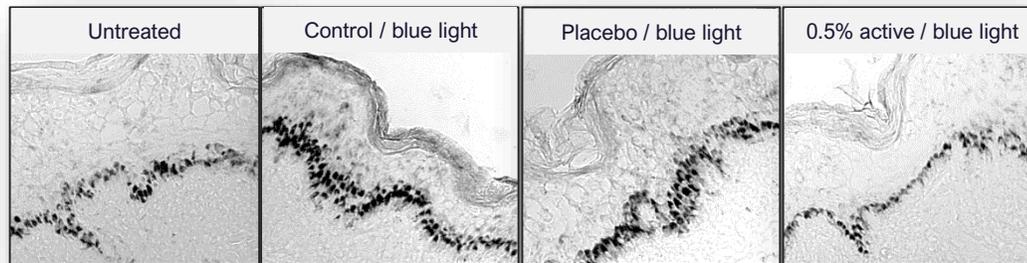
# Neurosporene

## Sharp antioxidant properties

### Efficacy

#### Melanin staining (Fontana Masson) and quantification on skin explants

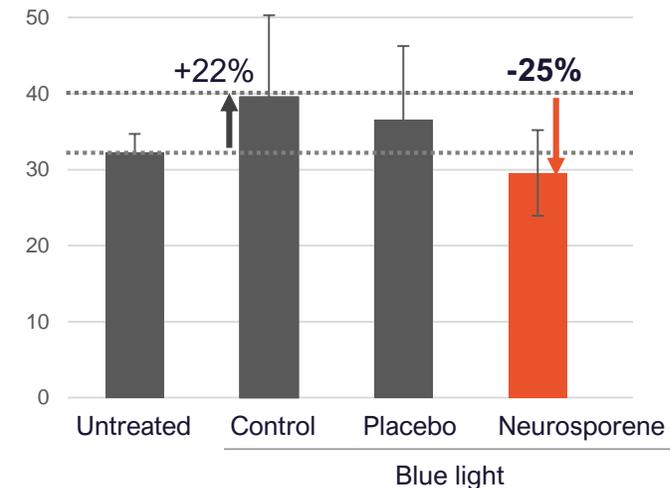
Topical application of 0.5% active / blue-light irradiation: 202.6 J/cm<sup>2</sup> (eq. 6h/day for 8.6 months)



→ Blue light increases melanin synthesis (+22% compared to untreated control) and deposition responsible for the formation of dark spots.

➤ **Reduction of melanin synthesis** in blue light-exposed skin by neurosporene: -25%

#### Melanin variation





# Neurosporene

## Radiance booster, cell energizer and anti-dark spots active ingredient

### Prototype

- Sustainable sourcing: extremophile microorganism collected from a water source in Pyrenees
- Strain optimization to get a stable high yield phytoene producing strain in reactor
- Fermentation of natural sugars by *Deinococcus*, extraction, purification and formulation in jojoba oil

### Industrial process

- Upstream process (fermentation) validation to the 20L scale

### Efficacy

- Highly efficient at low dosage (0.5%) for skin protection and radiance enhancer
- Outstanding antioxidant with performances that match or exceed leading standards (vitamin E)
- UVA & blue-light protection and hyperpigmentation prevention

### Innocuity

- Safety confirmed with 100% of the cosmetic ingredient (0.25% neurosporene): Skin irritation (SkinEthic), skin sensitization (Sens-Is<sup>®</sup> assay delayed in october ), ocular irritation (Het-Cam), skin compatibility (Patch test), reverse mutation assay in bacteria (Ames test)

### Marketing

- Original storytelling: *Deinococcus*, an extraordinary microorganism famous for its extreme resistance
- 1 patent application filed covering DEINOVE's activities on neurosporene applications
- 100% Made in France, 100% natural origin (ISO 16128), validated in cosmetic products

***Micrococcus luteus***  
**extract**

Tropicalis

# Micrococcus luteus extract

## A sustainable and fully traceable process

### Industrial process

- Microorganism collected in the « Manouilh » spring / Salazie cirque / Reunion Island
- At the heart of the Reunion island National park, registered on the UNESCO World Heritage
- Iron-rich water springs surrounded by colorful ochre deposits



- ✓ Identified markers: sarcinaxanthin derivatives
- ✓ Low carbon footprint
- ✓ Independent of seasonality and climate

- ✓ No preservatives
- ✓ 100% Made in France
- ✓ Cosmos-compliant

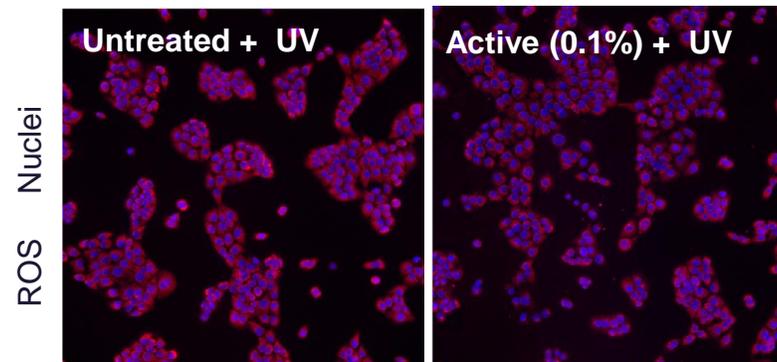
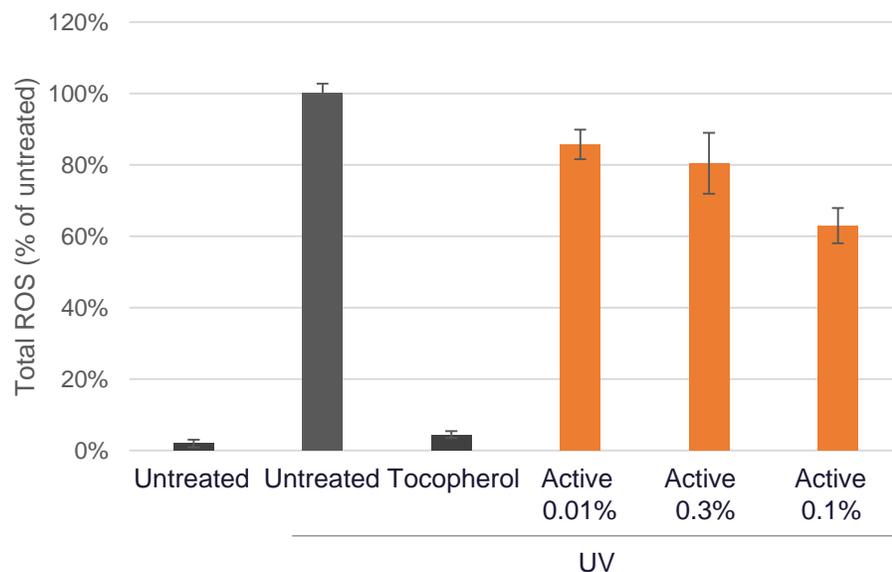


# Micrococcus luteus extract

## UVA protection

### Efficacy

- **ROS production under UVA irradiations**  
Human keratinocytes; UVA irradiation: 20J/cm<sup>2</sup>



- **Reduction of UVA-induced oxidative stress** by *Micrococcus luteus* extract thus protecting skin from deleterious effects of UV

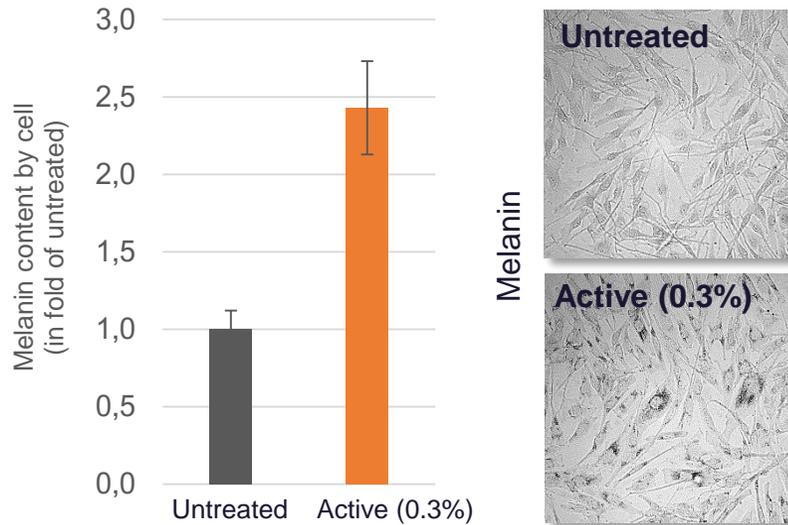


# Micrococcus luteus extract

## Tanning properties

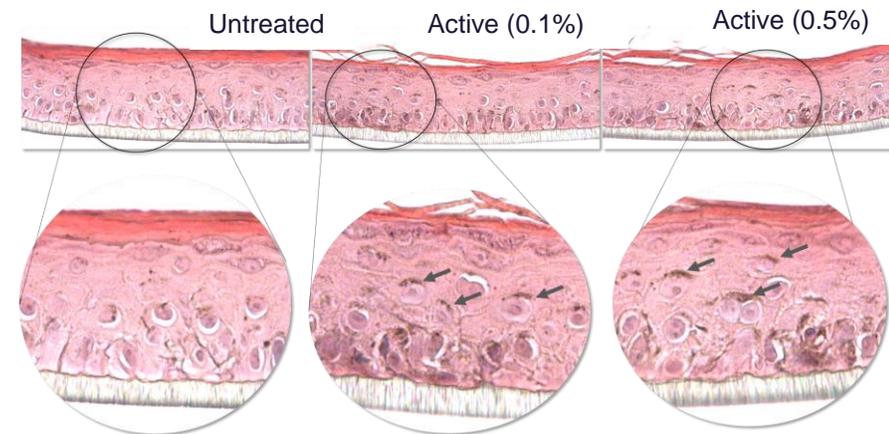
### Efficacy

- **In vitro melanin quantification**  
Normal Human Epidermal Melanocytes



- **Increase of melanin content** by *Micrococcus luteus* extract: +143%

- **In vitro melanin production**  
Reconstructed Human Melanized Epidermis



- **Visible pigmentation** (melanin domes) induced by *Micrococcus luteus* extract, even at a 0.1%



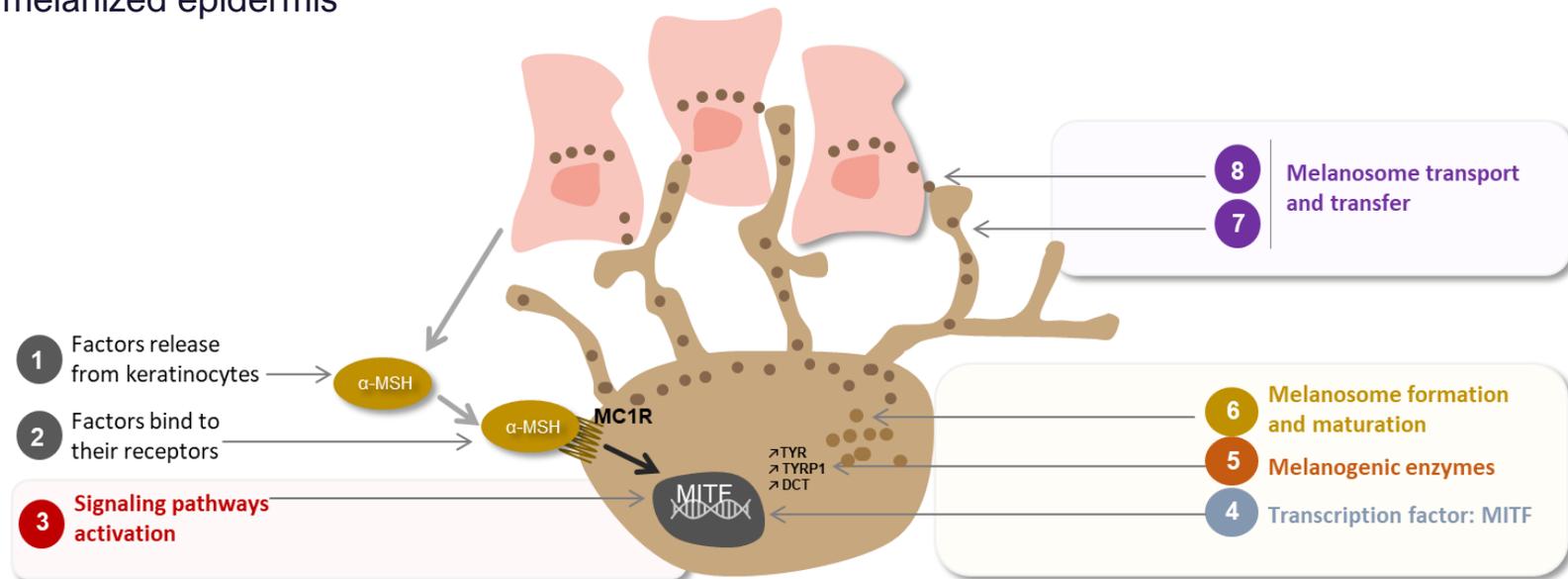
# Micrococcus luteus extract

## Putative mode of action

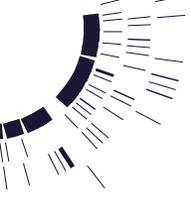
### Efficacy

#### Transcriptomic study

Analysis of key genes involved pigmentation and modulated by the active: 0.1%/0.5% on reconstructed human melanized epidermis



- 14 out of 93 genes involved in the skin pigmentation process are significantly, positively expressed by *Micrococcus luteus* extract.



# ***Micrococcus luteus* extract**

## Photoprotector and natural self-tanning active ingredient

### **Prototype**

- Wild strain taken from a sample of water in Reunion Island
- *Micrococcus luteus* is known to produce  $\gamma$ -Cyclic sarcinaxanthin (C50) and its two glycosylated forms<sup>1</sup>
- Sustainable and fully traceable process: fermentation of natural sugars by *Micrococcus luteus*

### **Industrial process**

- Process ready for industrial transfer (process book available)

### **Efficacy**

- Dual photoprotection: Antioxidant + tanning properties
- Protection from deleterious effects of UV and activation of melanin synthesis
- Enhancement of gene expressions involved in different steps of melanogenesis

### **Innocuity**

- Safety confirmed with 100% *Micrococcus* extract: skin irritation (SkinEthic), ocular irritation, skin compatibility (Patch test), reverse mutation assay in bacteria (Ames test), photoirritation and photosensitization

### **Marketing**

- *Micrococcus* strain, UV-resistant bacterium, collected in the heart of the Reunion island National park
- 100% Made in France, 100% natural origin (ISO 16128), COSMOS-compliant
- Data available on mode of action

<sup>1</sup>J Bacteriol. 2010 Nov;192(21):5688-99. Netzer

**Thank you**