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To whom it may concern

General Statement AAK ingredients

This statement comprises the products according to Table 1, Site Karlshamn.

Akobase Palm RSPO SG™	Akosol 405™	LIPEX® Collect™
Akobase Shea™	Akosun™	LIPEX® CocoaSoft™
Akobase Soybean Oil™	Brazil Nut Oil	LIPEX® CocoaSoft RA MB™
Akobase Sunflower Oil™	High Oleic Brassica Oil™	LIPEX® IllipeSoft™
Akocare Coconut Oil™	Kristal™	LIPEX® L'sens™
Akocare Coconut RA SG™	Kristal Special™	LIPEX® Omega 3/6™
Akocare Sun AO™	*) LIPEX® 102 E75 100%™	LIPEX® PreAct™
Akofine P™	*) LIPEX® 102 E75 50%™	LIPEX® Shea WM™
Akofine R™	LIPEX® 102	LIPEX® Shea W™
Akogel Plus™	LIPEX® 106	LIPEX® SheaClear™
Akogel™	LIPEX® 109S™	LIPEX® SheaLiquid TR™
Akogreen O™	LIPEX® 120	*) LIPEX® SheaLuxe TR™
*) Akoline GC™	LIPEX® 203	LIPEX® SheaSoft™
*) Akoline LC™	LIPEX® 204 TR™	LIPEX® SheaSoft TR™
Akoline MCM™	LIPEX® 204 FFL™	*) LIPEX® SheaSolve™
*) Akoline PG7™	LIPEX® 205	LIPEX® SheaTris™
*) Akoline PGPR™	LIPEX® 206 TR™	LIPEX® Shea
*) Akoline SL™	LIPEX® 512	LIPEX® SMP™
Akosoft 36™	LIPEX® Bassol C™	Refined Organic Olive Oil
Akosoft 40™	LIPEX® BC™	

Table 1.

*) Not included in AAK Contaminant Standard nor AAK Statement non GMO. For further information contact AAK.

Fragrance Allergens:

Relating to the compounds listed in EU 1223/2009 Cosmetics Regulation including amendment EU 2023/1545. AAK is not adding any of the ingredients mentioned, not before, under or after processing. To the best of AAK know how no products produced at site Karlshamn contain any of the ingredients on the list. AAK conclude the products in Table 1 are compliant with EU 1223/2009 and its amendments.

Volatile organic compounds:

No products contain volatile compounds.

AAK Sweden AB has a product safety program in operation. At regular intervals our products are screened for contamination. We have not found any detectable levels of (VOC) in our products.

Proteins:

We declare that the level of residual proteins in the AAK products below is inferior to 15 ppm. Proteins are removed during the refining process. First, during washing with water (the proteins are water soluble and leave the oil with the water phase) and if any left after this, the bleaching process (treatment of the oil with bleaching earth) removes the rest.

SVHC:

None of the products sold by AAK Personal Care contain any of the listed substances on ECHA Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization published in accordance with Article 59(10) of the REACH Regulation (last update: 21 January 2025).

Endocrine disruptors:

With regard to the endocrine disruptor list (<https://edlists.org/the-ed-lists/list-i-substances-identified-as-endocrine-disruptors-by-the-eu>). For List I; Please see sub title SVHC above.

For the substances listed in lists II and III; AAK does not add any of the substances listed, nor would there be any likelihood that the substances are created during production. Therefore, to the best of AAK knowledge, AAK concludes that the substances listed are not present in any of AAK Personal Care Products produced at site AAK Sweden AB.

Animal testing:

AAK has not tested or allowed on behalf of AAK any of the products in Table 1 to be tested on animals in breach of the European Regulation on cosmetic regulation EC 1223/2009, and prior to that the 76/776/EEC and the commission's recommendation 2006/406/EC. The statement also confirms that no products have been tested on animals by or on behalf of AAK breaching the principles of standards of NGO's such as Humane Cosmetic Standards.

AAK hereby confirms that we have not conducted, commissioned or been party to any animal testing for the raw material and it's component ingredients listed above before or after the 11th of March 2013. To the best of our knowledge, AAK confirm that all of the above information is complete and accurate as of the date of this statement. At this time, no further animal testing is planned nor anticipated by AAK.

Nanomaterials:

To the best of our knowledge do not any of the products in Table 1 contain nano particles according to the following jurisdictions:

- Commission Recommendation 2022/C 229/01 on the definition of nanomaterial
- EC 1223/2009, article 2.1.k
- French Decree n°2012-232, article 3

Microplastics:

AAK can conclude that the products listed in Table 1, except LIPEX® 102 E75 50%/100%™ are not polymers and therefore do not meet the criteria as a synthetic polymer microparticle defined in the Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/2055 amending Annex XVII of the REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.

LIPEX® 102 E75 50%/100%™ is a polymer but is water soluble according to OECD guideline 105 and therefore does not meet the criteria as a synthetic polymer microparticle defined in the Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/2055 amending Annex XVII of the REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.

AAK Contaminants Standard:

The products in Table 1 all comply with the AAK contaminant standard which states the maximum residual levels (MRLs) for undesirable substances (contaminants) that might be quantified in fully refined vegetable oils and fats which are delivered from AAK sites. They are of the nature that they are technically unavoidable in case they would occur in the product. Please refer to the Contaminants Standard for more detailed information.

ICH Q3D Elemental impurities:

AAK Sweden AB uses an extensive monitoring program to enable to cover all different aspects of quality and food safety aspects required. As a consequence, some analyses are not secured by analysis of each batch but via the monitoring program. Trace elements such as heavy metals are one of the items following the monitoring program. With the exception for during the hydrogenation process, no intentional addition of heavy metals or their compounds is done, nor likely to appear during the processing.

ICH Q3C Residual Solvents:

AAK Sweden AB uses an extensive monitoring program to enable to cover all different aspects of quality and food safety aspects required. Consequently, some analyses are not secured by analysis of each batch but via the monitoring program. Substances not part of AAK Statement of contaminant and being part of ICH Q3C- Guideline for Residual Solvents appendix 1 are neither intentionally added nor likely to be created. In case of conflict, for substances or substances groups within the AAK contaminant standard, the AAK contaminant standard will have precedence in case of conflicting information unless explicitly written otherwise. The contaminant standard contains substances AAK monitor according to AAK's monitoring program.

CMR:

The products produced by AAK Sweden AB and listed in the Table 1 have all been subjected to a thorough safety assessment found in the product documentation for each product respectively. None of the products found in the Table require special labelling. Based on the reasoning found for each product, AAK to the best of our knowledge, does not consider any of these products to contain any CMR, thus the current documentation complies with the EU Regulation EC 1272/2008, 22 ATP. It is up to each user of these products to read through the product documentation and take an active decision that the conclusion hereby is correct.

Proposition 65:

AAK Sweden AB does not intentionally add a chemical found in the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 ("Proposition 65") list to our finished oils.

There are over 1000 chemicals on the Proposition 65 list to date. It is not possible for AAK Sweden AB to make a judgment as to the likelihood of a particular Proposition 65 chemical requiring labelling by the State of California without having tested for every compound and element on California's list, and without knowing the formulations, compositions, sources of other ingredients, and serving sizes of any particular consumer product which may contain AAK products.

Therefore, AAK Sweden AB takes no responsibility for labelling of the customer's finished product.

LIPEX and other products from AAK produced in Karlshamn listed in Table 1, have a long history of usage in food, personal care, pharmaceutical and technical applications. Read Across from other vegetable oils with similar fatty acid profile show no sign of being carcinogenic. They are not listed among the substances with respect to proposition 65. AAK concludes that the products found in Table 1 are non-carcinogenic thus not substances restricted according to proposition 65.

Vegetarians/Vegan:

The products (including raw material, processing aids, filters, etc) in Table 1 are of non-animal origin. They are neither from non-GMO* sources nor exposed to risk for cross contamination of animal material.

AAK conclude that the products are suitable for vegetarian and vegan purposes.

**) Certification can be downloaded at aakpersonalcare.com

Biodiversity and Access, Benefit and Sharing legislation, including Nagoya protocol:

The EU ABS directive (EU 511/2014) is based on the Nagoya protocol. The Nagoya protocol relates to products where AAK in access of genetic sources performed R&D. Based on the best knowledge currently, none of the products in the Table 1 are found to live up to the conditions to be considered as within the scope of EU ABS legislation or the Nagoya protocol. AAK thus conclude that the products are out of scope.

Brazil biodiversity laws (law 13,123/2015 and decree 8,776/2016) govern the biodiversity legislation in Brazil. The legislation does not comprise commodity crops such as soybeans and its derivatives. AAK thus conclude that the products are out of scope.

Indian Biodiversity Act, 2002 governs the biodiversity in India. The legislation exempt commodity crops such as Mango. AAK thus conclude that the products are out of scope.

CITES:

The products in Table 1 are not considered as endangered species. The CITES convention therefore is not applicable to these products, thus no CITES certification to trade with these products are required.

Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs):

The products (including raw material, processing aids, filters, etc) in Table 1 do not contain any persistent organic pollutants listed in the Stockholm Convention on persistent organic pollutants (POPs).



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Definition/disclaimer:

Free from/does not contain/absent of Impurities defined by AAK for cosmetic use are based on the following reasonings/criteria and to the best of our knowledge:

- The statement is based on detailed knowledge about the raw materials, processing, including processing aids used, e.g. based on to the best of our understanding which substances which can be found, created and if created removed during the processing.
- The substance or group of substance referred to are neither intentionally added nor likely to be created in any significant amount, i.e. below any technical avoidable level (below 100 PPM, unless otherwise stated or explicitly regulated).
- AAK does not on regular basis analyze and monitor the substance or group of substance found in this document.
- In case of conflict, for substances or substances groups within the AAK contaminant standard, the AAK contaminant standard will have precedence in case of conflicting information unless explicitly written otherwise. The contaminant standard contains substances AAK monitor according to AAK's monitoring program.