

## PharmaClinix® **Advanced Cosmeceuticals**

- Fast acting
- Complex formulations
- Clinically proven ingredients
- Economical price



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# SILVER SERIES



**LIGHTENEX® BRIGHT** 

#### **SCAR REPAIREX® SMOOTH**

#### LIGHTENEX® HAND & FOOT INTENSE

**ACNEX® CLEAR** 

#### **SUN BLOCKEX® MAX SPF 50**



Pharmaclinix<sup>®</sup> Scientifically designed for Asian and Darker skin tones

Lightenex<sup>®</sup>Bright Scar Repairex<sup>®</sup>Smooth Acnex<sup>®</sup>Clear Lightenex<sup>®</sup>Hand & Foot Cream Sun Blockex<sup>®</sup>Max



# Lightenex® Bright

- 1. Beta Arbutin 2%
- 2. Octadecene-dioic 2% (Dioic acid)
- 3. Niacinamide 4% (Nicotinamide)
- 4. Magnesium ascorbyl phosphate 2%
- 5. Liqorice extract 2%
- 6. Salicylic acid 2%



#### The Science behind Lightenex® Bright





Melanosome move into epidermal cells

## Lightenex® Bright



- **Beta Arbutin 2%** Blocks rate limiting enzyme Tyrosinase to reduce Melanin synthesis.
- Octadecene-dioic (Dioic acid) 2% Di-Carboxylic acid like azelaic acid prevents synthesis of mRNA of the enzyme tyrosinase. Most effective in melasma & post inflammatory hyperpigmentation.
- **Niacinamide 4%** Prevents transfer of melanosomes from melanocytes to epidermal keratinocytes.
- **Magnesium ascorbyl phosphate 2%** Excellent water soluble Vitamin C prevents the generation of free radicals which are instrumental in encouraging melanin synthesis.
- Liqorice extract 2% Tyrosinase Inhibitor reducing melanin synthesis.
- **Salicylic acid 2%** Mild keratolytic & anti-inflammatory agent reducing trigger chemicals that stimulate melanocytes to make melanin.



#### How it works

Tyrosinase is the key rate limiting enzymes which acts on two stages of melanin synthesis.

- Beta arbutin, Dioic acid, Liqorice extract & Magnesium ascorbyl phosphate (MAP) all *reduce* the activity of tyrosinase.
- Niacinamide works after the making of melanin & prevents its transfer from melanocytes which are deep in the epidermis to keratinocytes.



## Indications for Lightenex® Bright:

- Epidermal pigmentation (woods lamp positive).
- For depigmentation therapy of the epidermis before laser treatment of deep dermal pigmentation.
- Superficial melasma and maintenance after intermediate chemical peel.



#### Directions:

- **Step 1** Wash the area to be treated. Exfoliate with a gentle face scrub.
- **Step 2** Massage cream into the skin until fully absorbed (apply twice daily).
- **Step 3** Apply Sun Blockex ® Max SPF 50, ten minutes after applying the Lightenex® Bright cream.



#### How quickly does Lightenex® Bright work?

• 4-6 weeks are required to see the first benefit.

i.e. The time taken for epidermal cells to travel to the surface and be shed.

Better results are achieved with continued use



## Clinical Evidence for Lightenex® Bright

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1. Niacinamide 4% **[6]**
- 2. Octadecenedioic 2% [2, 3,4]
- 3. Beta Arbutin 2% [1]
- 4. Magnesium ascorbyl phosphate 2% [5]
- 5. Liqorice extract 2%





#### Niacinamide

A 138 (one hundred and thirty eight ) subject clinical trial using 5% and 2% Niacinamide as well as detailed in-vitro studies showed:

- Niacinamide gave **35-68% inhibition of Melanosome** transfer in the co-culture (melanocyte/keratinocyte) model
- Niacinamide significantly:
- Decreased hyperpigmentation
- Increased skin lightness

(compared with vehicle alone after 4 weeks of use).

Reference (6) : Hakozaki,T.,Minwalla,L.,Zhuang,J.,ChhoaM.,Matsubara,A.,Miyamoto,K.,GreatensA.,Hillebrand,G., Bissett D,and Boissy,R.(2002),The effect of Niacinamide on reducing cutaneous pigmentation and suppression of Melanosome transfer.British Journal of Dermatology,147:20-31.doi:10.1046/j.1365-2133.2002.04834.x



## Octadecenedioic 2% (Dioic acid) (Study 4)

An open comparative study of ninety six (96 female) Melasma patients in a 12 week study between:

Dioic Acid 1% & Hydroquinone 2% showed:

- more pruritus with hydroquinone
- Dioic acid as effective as Hydroquinone

Efficacy of Dioc (Octadecene-dioic acid)compared with Hydroquinone in the treatment of Melasma.Int J Dermatol.2009Aug;48(8):893-5. Tirado-Sanchez A,Santamaria-Roman A,Ponce-Olivera RM.



#### Dioic acid 2% (study1)

A twenty patient placebo study on patients of Indian and Pakistani origin given Dioic acid 2% over 8 weeks showed:

• A significant **reduction in melanin** (p<0.025) measured both by chromameter & mexameter.

The Melanogenesi s &mechanisms of skin lightening agents, existing & new approaches. Inter Jour of Cosmetic Science ,Volume 33,issue 3 June, pages 210-221.J M Gillbro,M J Olsson.



### Dioic acid 2% (Study 2)

In-vitro studies using Dioic acid 2% in melanoma cells showed:

It binds to PPAR -gamma receptors on melanocytes to:

- Reduce Tyrosinase mRNA production by **54%**
- Reduce tyrosinase production by **52%**
- Reduce melanin synthesis by **46%**

Int Journ of Cosmetic Science-2005,27,123-132. Anew mechanism of action for Skin Whitening agents: binding to PPAR.J W Weichers, A V Rawlings, C Garcia, C Chesne, P Balaguer, J C Nicholas, Corre&M D Gilbert. Uniqema Skin R&D, Gouda, The Netherlands. A V R Consulting Ltd, 26 Shavington way, Northwich, Cheshire, UK. Endocrinologie Moleculaire et Cellulaire des Cancers, Montpelier, France. Lab Genetique et Developpement, CNRS UMR6061, Faculty of Medicine, University of Rennes, 1-2 Leon Bernard Avenue, 35043 Rennes, France.



#### Beta Arbutin (Study 1)

In vitro studies of human <u>melanocytes</u> exposed to Arbutin at concentrations below 300  $\mu$ g/mL reported **decreased** tyrosinase activity and melanin content.

 Beta Arbutin is a glycosalated hydroquinone and directly competitively inhibits Tyrosinase &

•Beta Arbutin is slowly hydrolyzed by skin organisms to Hydroquinone which lightens the skin.

Inhibitory effects of arbutin-β-glycosides synthesized from enzymatic transglycosylation for melanogenesis, <u>Biotechnology Letters</u>, <u>Volume</u> <u>30, Number 4</u>, 743-748, DOI: 10.1007/s10529-007-9605-1. <u>So-Young Jun</u>, <u>Kyung-Min Park</u>, <u>Ki-Won Choi</u>, <u>Min Kyung Jang</u>, <u>Hwan Yul Kang</u>, <u>Sang-Hyeon Lee</u>, <u>Kwan-Hwa Park</u> and <u>Jaeho Cha</u>

<u>J Cosmet Dermatol.</u> 2008 Sep;7(3):189-93. Hydrolysis of arbutin to hydroquinone by human skin bacteria and its effect on antioxidant activity.<u>Bang SH</u>, <u>Han SJ</u>, <u>Kim DH</u>.



#### Magnesium Ascorbyl Phosphate (Study 5)

A Clinical Study using Magnesium Ascorbyl Phosphate 2% on a total of 34 patients with chloasma or senile freckles showed the lightening effect to be *significant* on 19 of the 34 patients.

• In addition 1.6% of the cream remained in the epidermis 48 hours after application.

Inhibitory effect of Magnesium ascorbyl phosphate on Melanogenesis in vitro and in vivo. Journal of American Academy of Dermatology.1996 Jan;34(1):29-33.Kameyama K,Sakai C,Kondoh K,Nishiyama S,Tagawa M,MurataT,Ohnuma T,Quigley J,Dorsky A,BucksD,Blanock K.Det of Dermatology,Kitasato University School of Medicine,Sagamihara,Japan.



#### Liquorice Extract

#### Glabridin is a component of Liquorice Extract.

This study investigated inhibitory effects of Glabridin on melanogenesis and inflammation.

#### The results indicated that Glabridin:

- Inhibits tyrosinase activity of melanoma cells at concentrations of 0.1 to 1.0 microg/ml
- Decreased specifically the activities of T1 and T3 tyrosinase isozymes.
- UVB-induced pigmentation and erythema in the skins were inhibited.

The inhibitory effect of glabridin from licorice extracts on melanogenesis and inflammation.<u>Pigment Cell Res.</u> 1998 Dec;11(6) 355-61, <u>Yokota T, Nishio H, Kubota Y, Mizoguchi M</u>.Basic Research Laboratory, Kanebo, LTD, Odawara, Kanagawa, Japan. In an Independent study of 50 volunteers with woods lamp positive (Epidermal only) hyperpigmentation between the ages of 32-66,LIGHTENEX® BRIGHT was applied twice daily for period of 8 weeks. This test was conducted on face & torso (decollagete) skin.

#### The tests showed:

- Absence of redness or peeling
- •Was well absorbed

 68% of volunteers felt a SIGNIFICANT improvement whereas 32% felt average improvement in hyper-pigmentation

• Average measurable reduction of melanin of 40% (Mexameter 18)

•56% of volunteers felt the product was VERY GOOD.24% (12) felt it was the same as the ones upto now.8 (16%) felt it was GOOD and 2 felt no change.



## Conclusion

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Bright PREVENTS & CLEARS HYPERPIGMENTATION SKIN LIGHTENING CREAM

## Lightenex® Bright Works

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