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## **Discontinuation of Uvinul® N 539T (Octocrylene)**

Dear Valued Partner,

As BASF we focus on developing trendsetting sun care solutions based on our broad UV filter portfolio. A strategic product portfolio review is of course part of ensuring that our UV filters are modern, safe, and highly effective. Listening to the growing concerns for Octocrylene and having several more advanced UV filters to offer, we now decided to discontinue our Uvinul® N 539T (Octocrylene) product line.

To make the transition as easy as possible, we will provide you with material within the scope of our contractual commitments until December 31st 2022 and for aligned purchase orders that are placed by December 31st, 2021. Our BASF sales representative will work closely with you to plan out your demands until then.

Don't miss out on our high performing UV filter alternatives that will bring your consumer products to the next level. On [www.carecreations.basf.com/market-segments/sun-care](http://www.carecreations.basf.com/market-segments/sun-care) you will find our entire high performing product portfolio. Please contact your BASF sales representative at any time for questions

You can trust in our commitment to provide you with the service, quality and support you have experienced from BASF over the past years.

Interest in using Zinc Oxide in sunscreen formulations is on the rise in North America. This is in part due to the current regulatory climate surrounding organic UV filters, consumer familiarity with Zinc Oxide, consumer concern about the safety of the ingredients used in the products they purchase and the need for safe and effective formulations.

Zinc Oxide is a broad-spectrum UV filter that protects the skin from UVB and UVA rays. Additionally, it has long wavelength UVA coverage, which also may be a contributor to its popularity. It is categorized as a Generally Regarded as Safe and Effective (GRASE) UV filter in the FDA's monograph. BASF offers a complete line of Zinc Oxide UV filters under the Z-COTE® brand to help formulators achieve efficacious sun protection products. They provide the following benefits:

- Broad-spectrum protection
- Critical wavelength of 370 nm
- Low whitening on varied skin types
- Photostability
- Non-staining, non-greasy aesthetics
- Long history of safe use
- Approved up to 25% in the US and other regions (please consider your local regulation)



We create chemistry

Z-COTE® HP1 X, a nano Zinc Oxide coated powder and Z-COTE® Simple, a non-nano Zinc Oxide dispersion, both offer broad-spectrum UV protection and excellent photo-stability with the added benefit of combating free radicals. Both products can be combined with organic UV filters or used independently to create aesthetically pleasing formulations to protect the skin.

Z-COTE® UV filters are offered in powders, pourable dispersion, nano, non-nano, coated and uncoated forms. Learn more about our Zinc Oxide portfolio and request a sample by clicking on the link below.

[www.carecreations.basf.us/stories/have-more-fun-in-the-sun-with-zinc-oxide-uv-filters](http://www.carecreations.basf.us/stories/have-more-fun-in-the-sun-with-zinc-oxide-uv-filters)

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