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# HyWhite

First Whitening Hyaluronic Acid



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# HyWhite – Sodium Linolenoyl Hyaluronate



- Natural derivative of  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid and hyaluronic acid
- COSMOS approved

## $\alpha$ -Linolenic acid

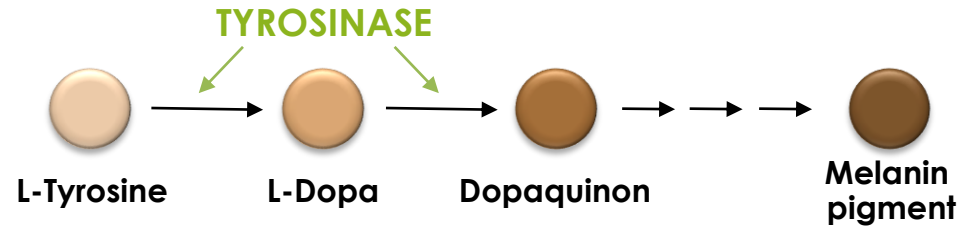
- Omega 3-fatty acid (essential acid)
- Seeds oils: chia, linseed, canola, soybean, walnut
- Whitening effect *in vitro*, not *in vivo* in human skin
- Other effects: energy production, antioxidant, anti-inflammatory

## Hyaluronic acid

- Low molecular weight 5-10 kDa
- Penetrates deep into the skin and into skin cells
- Delivers  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid to its target – tyrosinase in melanocytes
- Protects  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid against degradation
- Many other beneficial effects



# Mechanism of Action



## **$\alpha$ -Linolenic acid**

- Increases degradation of tyrosinase – a key enzyme in melanogenesis
- Proteasome activator – the degradation of tyrosinase occurs via proteasome
- Increases desquamation (faster removal of pigmented cells – whitening)

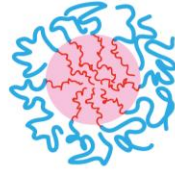
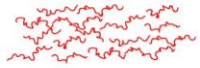
## **Hyaluronic acid**

- Effectively delivers  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid to the target – tyrosinase in melanocytes
- Moisturizing effects support proper function of enzymes important for desquamation (faster removal of pigmented cells – whitening effect)

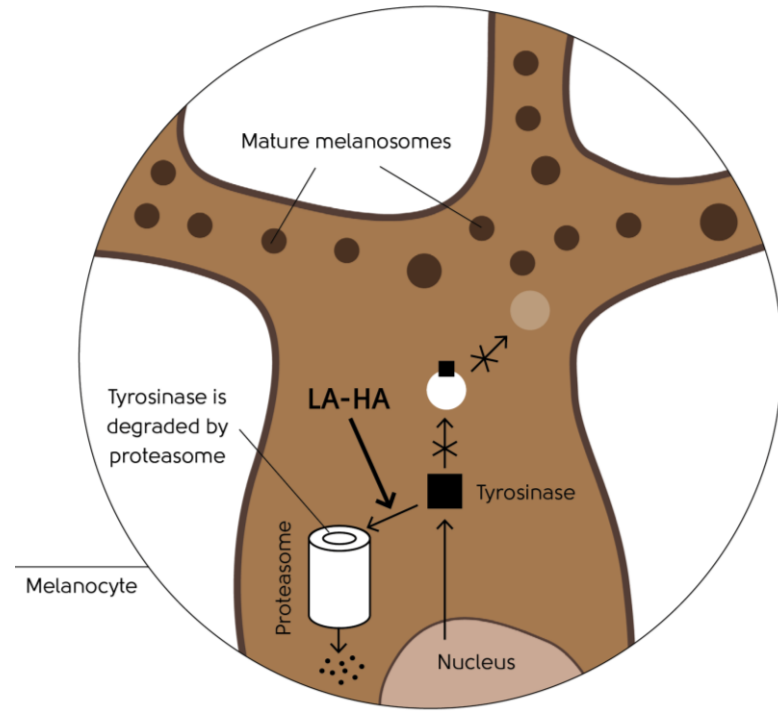
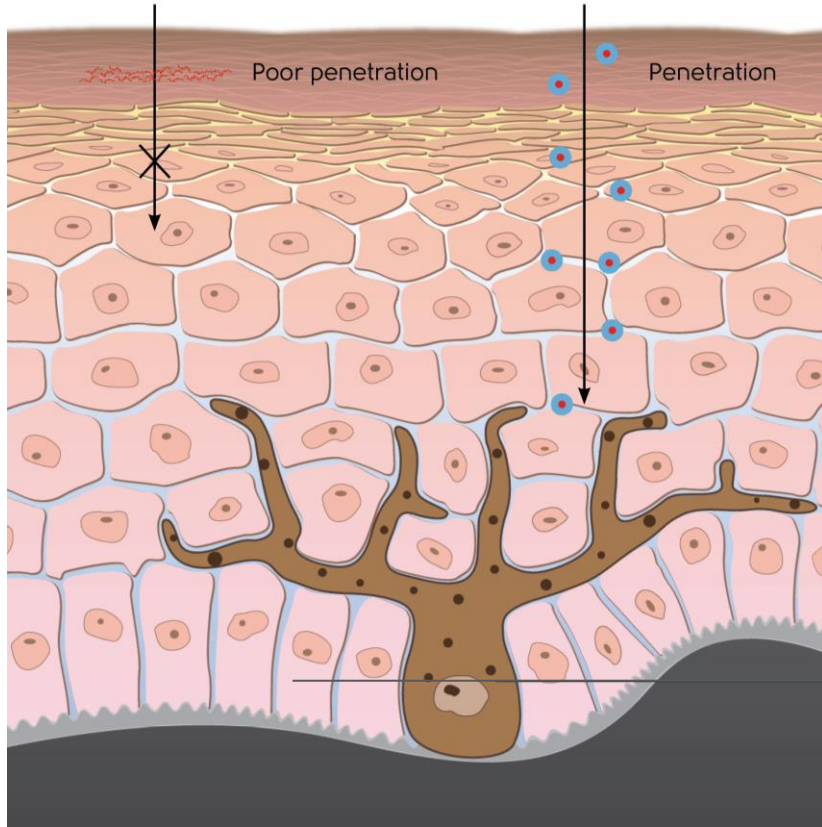
# Mechanism of Action



$\alpha$ -Linolenic Acid (LA)

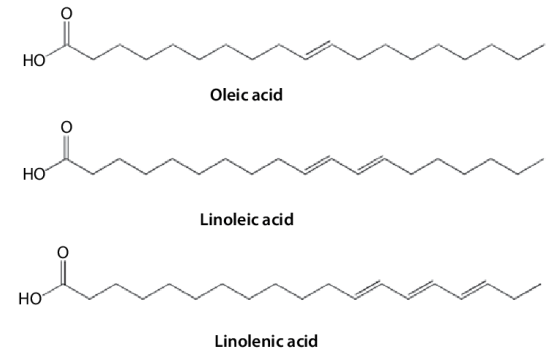


Hyaluronic Acid conjugated with  $\alpha$ -Linolenic Acid (LA-HA)



# *In Vitro* Results

# Why $\alpha$ -Linolenic Acid?

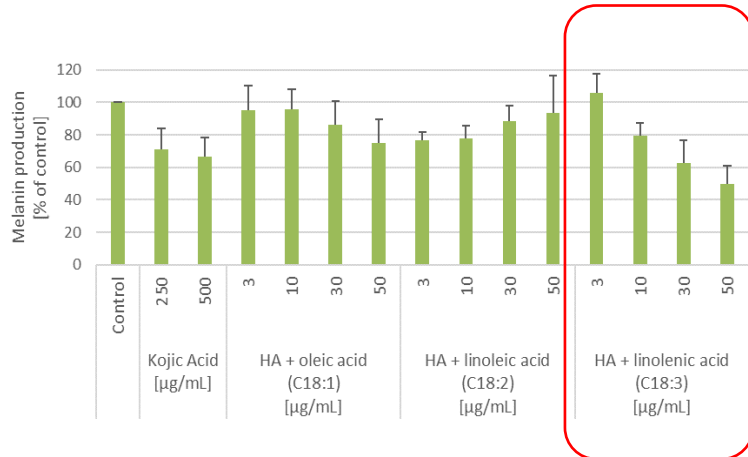


## Different derivatives with HA were tested:

- HA + oleic acid (1 unsaturated bond)
- HA + linoleic acid (2 unsat. bonds)
- HA +  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid (3 unsat. bonds)

## Melanin production test:

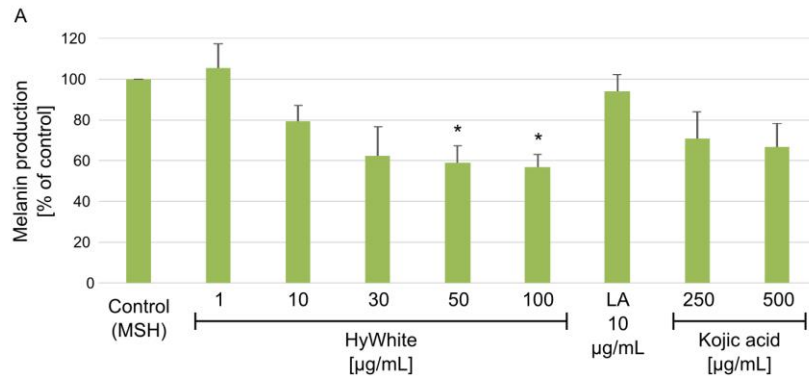
- B16-F10 melanocytes  
+ melanocyte-stimulating hormone
- 48 treatment with derivatives
- Spectrophotometrical analysis



## Derivative of HA with $\alpha$ -linolenic acid:

- **Was the most active**
- More active than kojic acid
- Active in very low concentrations (0,001%)

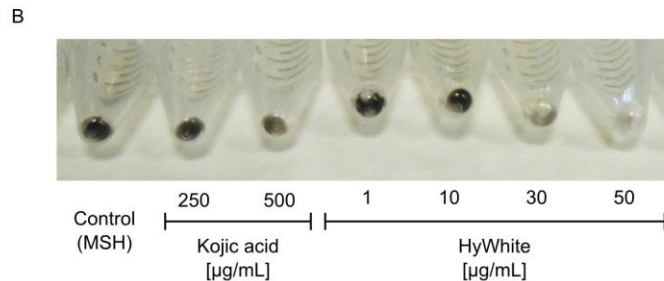
# Reduction of Melanin Production



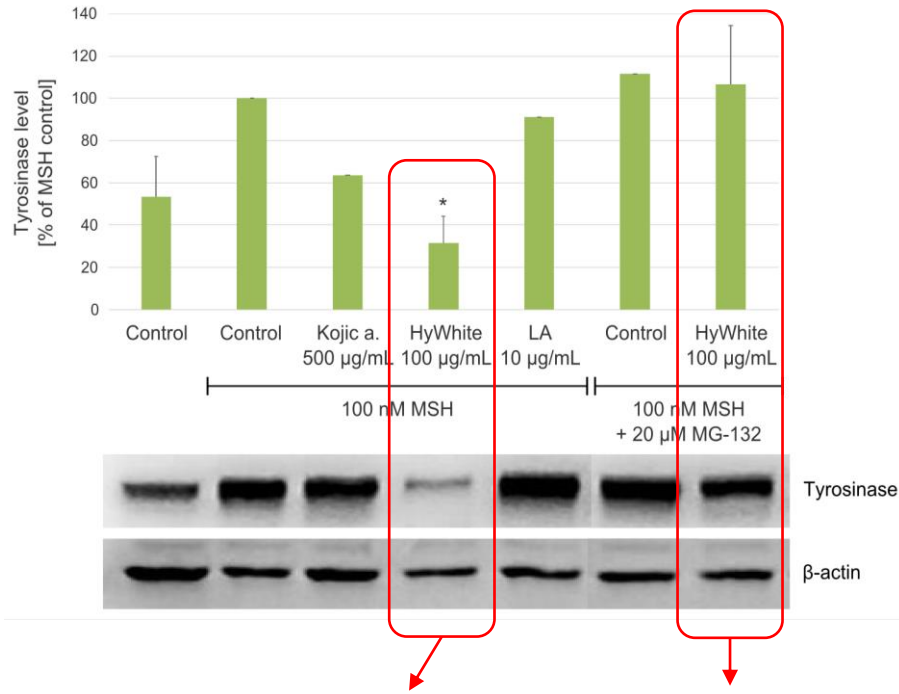
- B16-F10 melanocytes
- 48 treatment
- Spectrophotometrical analysis

**HyWhite is more effective than:**

- $\alpha$ -Linolenic acid (LA) itself
- Kojic acid



# Increase in Tyrosinase Degradation is Mediated by the Proteasome



HyWhite increases degradation of tyrosinase.

When proteasomes are inhibited by MG-132, tyrosinase is not degraded by HyWhite.

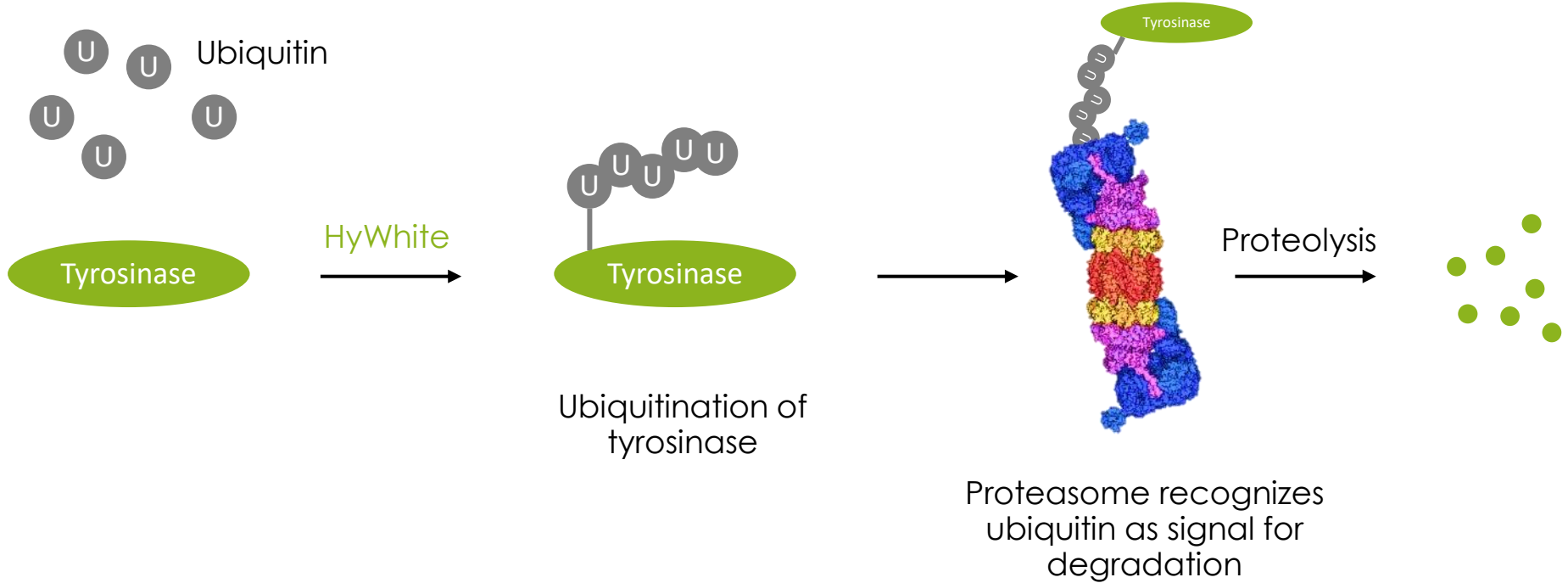
- B16-F10 melanocytes
- 48 h treatment
- MG-132 – proteasome inhibitor
- Western blotting analysis

## Proved:

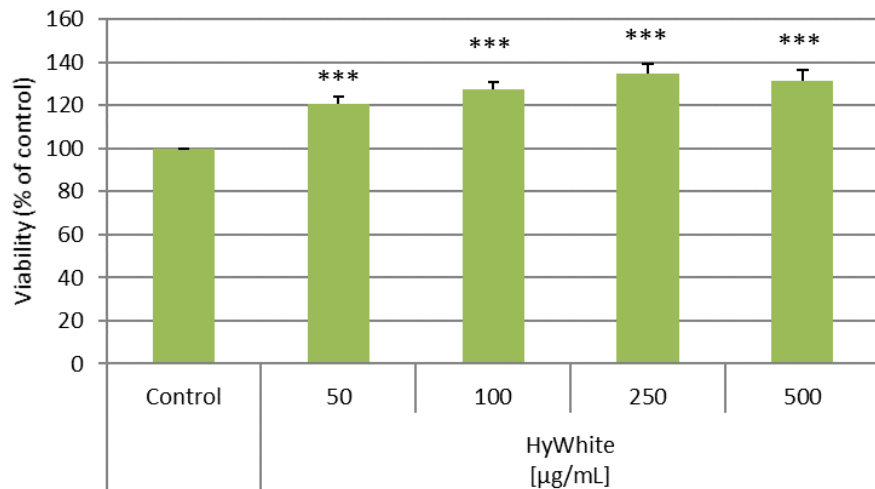
- Increased degradation of tyrosinase induced by HyWhite is mediated by the proteasome.



# Increase in Tyrosinase Degradation is Mediated by the Proteasome



# Increase in Cell Viability



- 3T3 fibroblasts
- 24 h
- MTT cell viability assay

**HyWhite increases cell viability.**

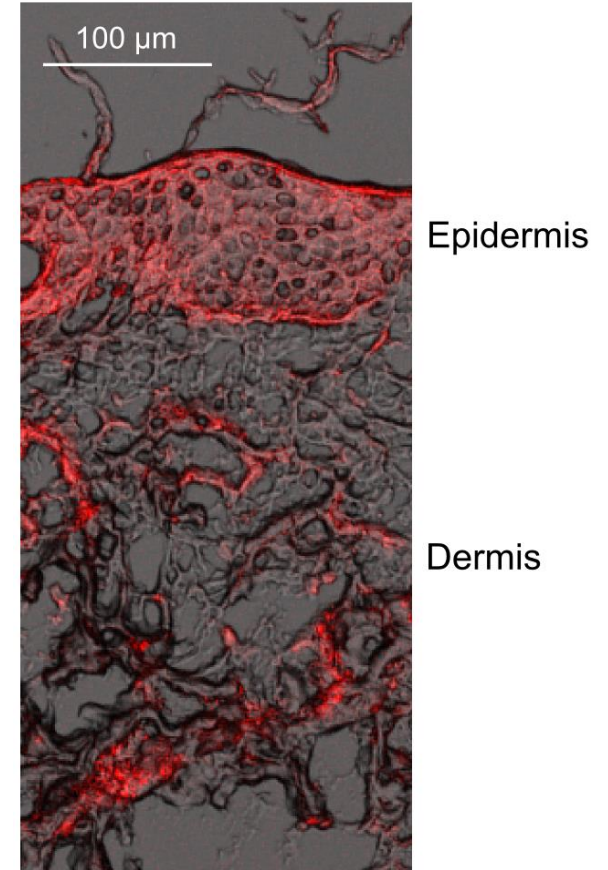
Fatty acid serves as a source of energy for the cells.

# Penetration into the Skin



- HyWhite conjugated with Alexa Fluor 568 (red fluorescent dye), 0,5 mg/mL
- Porcine skin explants (inner auricles)
- Franz diffusion cells, 24 h at 37 °C
- Confocal microscopy

**HyWhite penetrates deep into the skin**





*In Vivo* Results:  
External Study by Intertek

# Design of the Study



## Volunteers:

- 35 Asian women 20-50 years
- With pigmentation disorders
- 8 weeks



## Split-face:

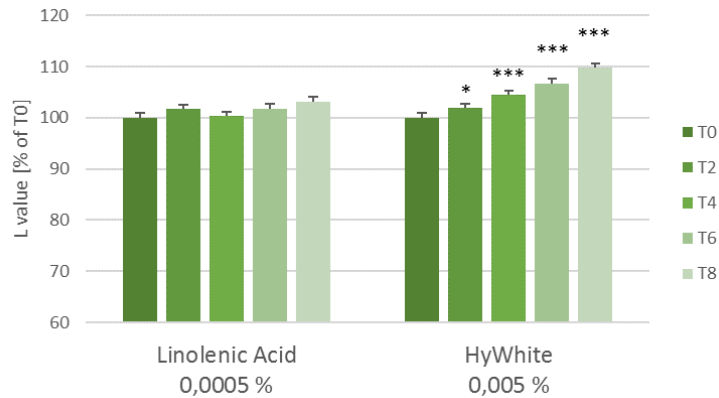
- 0,005 % HyWhite cream (DS = 10 %)
- 0,0005 %  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid as a placebo cream



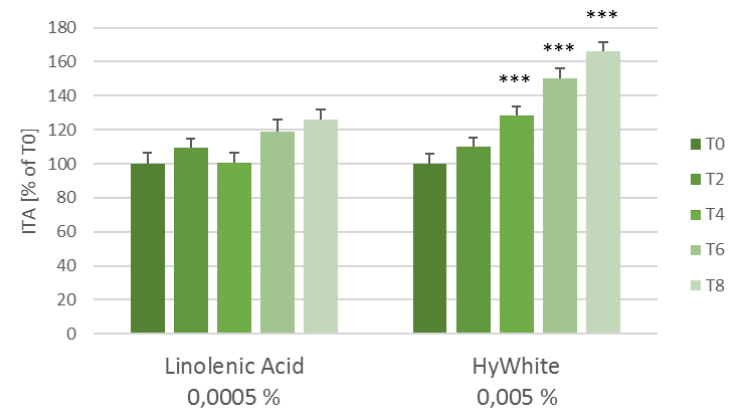
## Measurement devices:

- Colorimeter (L-value, ITA)
- Mexameter (melanin)
- Visia-CR (high resolution camera, image analysis of pigmented spots and color uniformity)

# Luminiscence and Lightness



6,6 % increase  
in luminiscence (L value)

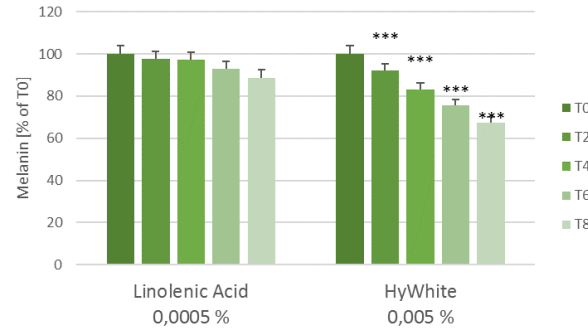


40,1 % improvement  
in the skin lightness (ITA)

# Decrease of Melanin

Week 0

Week 2



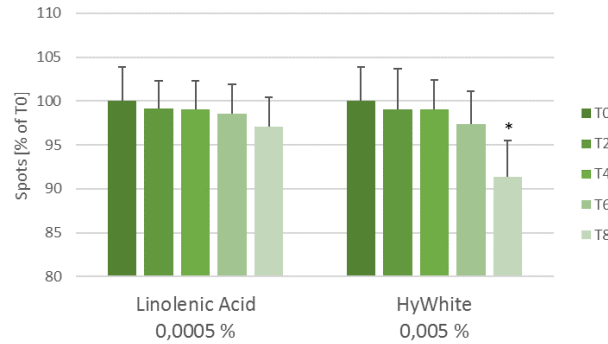
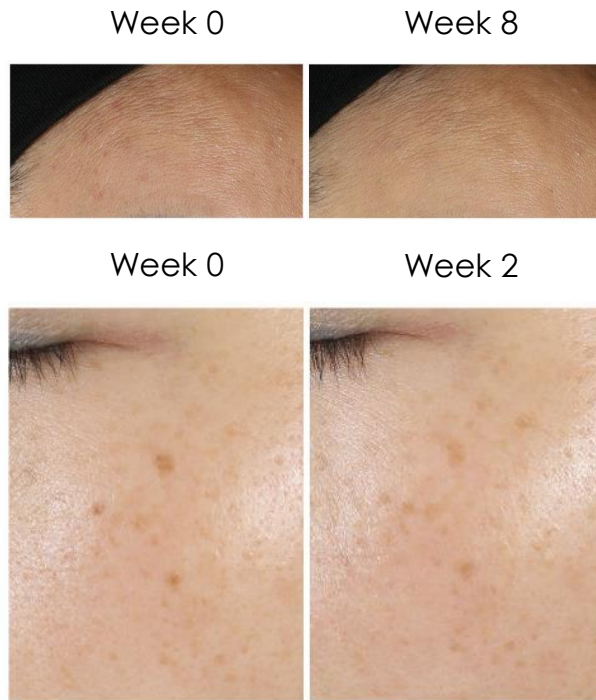
Week 0

Week 8



21,3 % decrease  
of melanin content

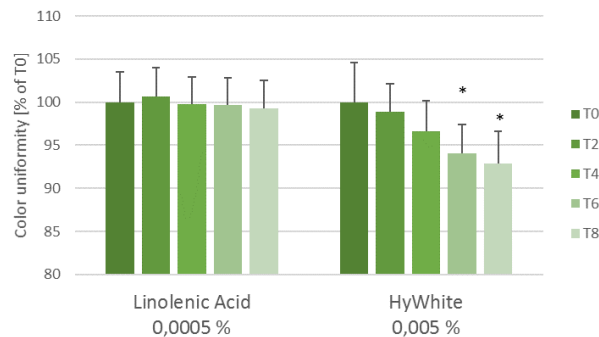
# Decrease of Pigmented Spots



5,6 % decrease  
of pigmented spots



# Improvement of Colour Uniformity



6,4 % improvement  
of color uniformity





*In Vivo* Results:  
Study by Contipro

# Design of the Study



## Volunteers:

- 15 Caucasian women 37-56 years
- Darker skin (ITA < 40)
- 6 weeks



## Split-face:

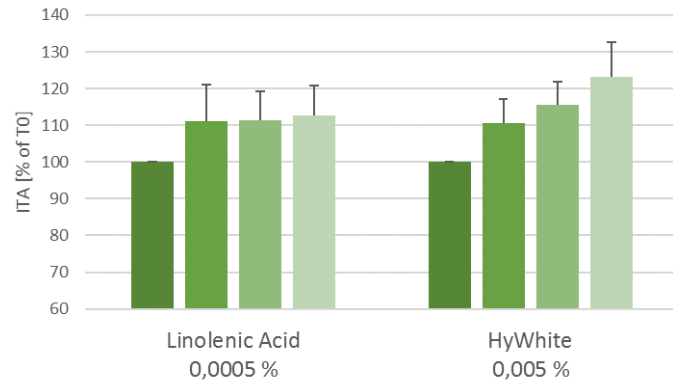
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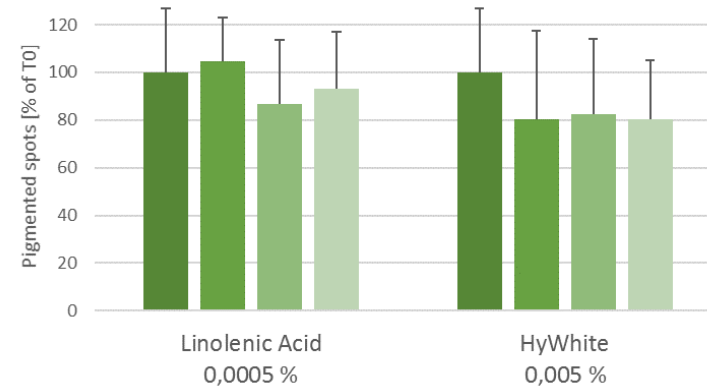
## Measurement devices:

- Colorimeter (ITA)
- Visioface (pigmented spots)
- Vivascope (internal skin structure)

# Lightness and Pigmented Spots



10,6 % improvement  
of the skin lightness (ITA)



24,0 % reduction  
of pigmented spots (2 weeks)

12,9 % reduction  
of pigmented spots (6 weeks)

# Lightning and Spots Evidence



Week 0



Week 6



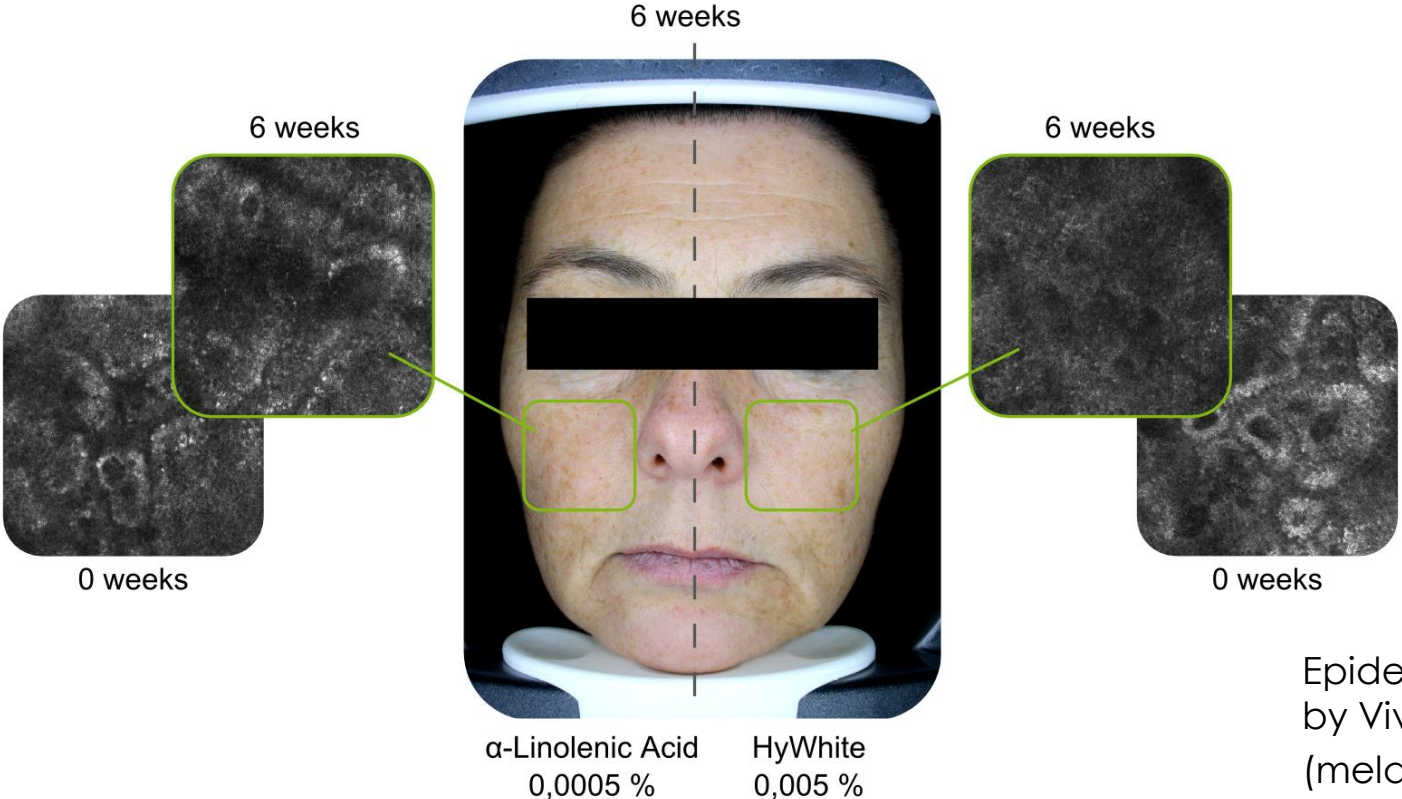
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Week 6



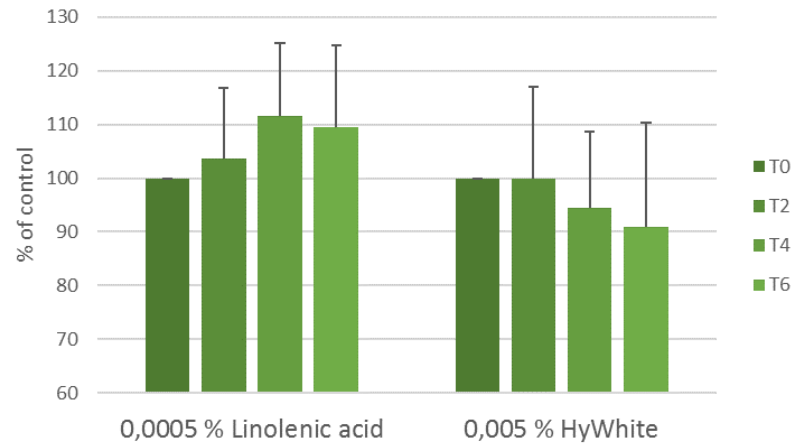
# Pigmented Cells Evidence



Epidermal basal cell layers showed by Vivascope (melanin visible as white spots)

Number of pigmented cells decreased after HyWhite application

# Hyperpigmented Cells Evidence



18,6 % less number  
of hyperpigmented cells

# Feedback from a customer

*„Just to share with you about the feedback on various dosage of HyWhite from customers:*

- At 0.005% - rather poor feedback as the result is slow and not significant*
- At 0.05% - dark spot/area from acne becomes paler and skin becomes whiter*
- At 0.1% - noticeably whiter skin*
- At 0.15% - noticeable whiter skin in a short time, pore and melasma reduction*
- At 0.2% - Rapid whiter skin and considerably reduction of melasma (one customer shared with us that at this dosage of 0.2 % of HyWhite in comparison with 2 % of Alpha arbutin, the result of 0.2 % HyWhite is much more significantly whiter in a very short period of time with a good feeling of pore reduction)“*



# HyWhite: Conclusion

# HyWhite



## Sodium linolenoyl hyaluronate:

- Derivative of  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid and hyaluronic acid
- Amphiphilic molecule (both hydrophilic and lipophilic)
- Better penetration into the skin and skin cells
- **Cosmos approved**

## Mechanism of action:

- Tyrosinase degradation by the proteasomes

## Highly effective in very low concentrations:

- From 0,005%
- **1 g** is enough for **20 kg** of a whitening cream

## Whitening effects:

- Skin whitening
- Reduction of pigmented spots
- Increased color homogeneity
  
- Does not depend on the type of the skin (Asian or Caucasian)

# HyWhite Technical Sheet



**INCI:** Sodium Hyaluronate and Linolenic Acid

**Certification:** Cosmos approved

**Samples:** 1 g

**Minimal ordering quantity:** 1 kg

(If ordering smaller quantities, the price may increase due to handling fees)

**Recommended concentration:** 0,005 – 0,01 %

**Appearance:** White to slightly yellow powder

**Supplied form:** powder

**Shelf-life:** 12 months

**Source:** HyWhite is produced by chemical modification of low molecular weight hyaluronic acid with  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid. Hyaluronic acid is obtained by fermentation,  $\alpha$ -linolenic acid is from a plant source.

**Compatibility and processing:** Sensitive to heat and high humidity; avoid prolonged heating (heating over 60 °C for 60 min can lead to a decreased degree of substitution and degradation by oxidation). Extreme pH (less than 4 or more than 10) leads to further decomposition. Incompatible with cationic substances, e.g. surfactants or polymers (polyquarternium-4, polyquarternium-10, etc.)

**Solubility:** Fully soluble in water; soluble in aqueous mixture of ethyl alcohol and isopropyl alcohol

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