

## Pet Protection for Everyday Living

Research has demonstrated NootkaShield™ nootkatone can repel many of the mosquitoes and ticks that transmit diseases.

### Why the need?

The number of people and pets affected by diseases spread by mosquitoes and ticks is increasing. The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined vector-borne disease cases (diseases transmitted by mosquitoes, ticks, fleas, etc.) doubled from 2004 to 2018.<sup>1</sup>



## A new approach for protection against insects

Mosquitoes and ticks are not only annoying when they disrupt outdoor activities, they also can transmit diseases to pets and pet owners that seriously harm health. The news is full of reports of Lyme disease, West Nile virus, Zika, and others. Utilizing repellents on pets to prevent mosquito and tick bites is a key part of keeping pets and their owners safe from these diseases.

NootkaShield contains nootkatone, a naturally-occurring compound in various plants, including grapefruit, Alaskan yellow cedar, and some grasses and herbs. Evolva has developed a proprietary method to reliably produce nootkatone in large quantities without the necessity of cutting down trees or extraction from fruit.

### Nootkatone is a powerful new tool against pesticide-resistance

Nootkatone was tested by the CDC against strains of *Anopheles* mosquitoes known to be resistant against widely-used pyrethroid, carbamate, and organophosphate pesticides. These mosquitoes required 16 to 5000 times more of the existing pesticides for effective killing than a control strain, but nootkatone killed all resistant strains using less than twice as much material as for the control strain.<sup>2</sup>

### Nootkatone is powerful against ticks that transmit Lyme disease

The CDC has demonstrated that nootkatone is a highly effective agent against the ticks that transmit Lyme disease and a variety of other insects including nuisance pests.<sup>3</sup>



## NootkaShield properties:

- Purity  $\geq$  99%
- EPA Reg. No.: 91873-1
- Molecular weight: 218.34 g/mol
- Appearance: pale yellow to white solid
- CAS #: 4674-50-4
- Toxicity: Class IV
- Shelf life: 3 years

NootkaShield™ nootkatone from Evolva is a fresh alternative for the pest control industry



Manufacturers rely on consistent quality and purity, ingredient safety, and reliable sourcing. NootkaShield is:

- Produced at metric ton scale with aggressive expansion plans in place
- Produced at high purity
- Consistent from batch to batch
- Not classified as a carcinogen, not genotoxic and Class IV for toxicity, the lowest possible acute toxicity classification
- Backed by a strong IP portfolio and access to CDC patents
- Supported by the CDC
- US EPA for registration as a new biopesticide active ingredient

## CDC support:

Evolva received US federal funds from the Office of Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), through CDC, under Contract No. HHSO100201700015C. Funds were awarded to Evolva to develop nootkatone-based end-user products against select mosquito-borne diseases like Zika.

## About Evolva:

NootkaShield is produced by Evolva, a Swiss biotech company focused on the research, development and commercialization of products based on nature. We have leading businesses in flavors and fragrances, health ingredients and health protection. Evolva's employees are dedicated to producing the best ingredients that can contribute to health, wellbeing and sensory enjoyment. Find out more at [www.evolva.com](http://www.evolva.com).

## For more information:

We have sales support in the US and Europe, with distribution worldwide where approved. Our technical team can advise on formulations and ideal combinations and our marketing team can help you plan your marketing strategy for NootkaShield. We are happy to supply samples for testing and formulation guidance.

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