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## Health Canada Approves Fast Acting Health Claims for Univestin®

Unigen's superior regulatory and science teams are adding value to Canadian market joint care brands with the announcement of Health Canada's approval of **3 day and 5 day fast acting** health claims for Univestin<sup>®</sup>, Unigen's premier joint health ingredient.

One of Unigen's business partners in Canada – Sancta Health Canada Inc., has received a product issuance letter from Health Canada for fast acting claims of its "Joint Free Fast Acting" product (NPN 80079940). The only medicinal ingredients in the "Joint Free Fast Acting" product are two standardized bioflavonoid extracts from Scutellaria baicalensis and Senegalia catechu, which are the patented components of Univestin<sup>®</sup>. Health Canada's approved joint health claims for the fast acting product are directly associated with Univestin<sup>®</sup>, as indicated in this excerpt from the Health Canada approval letter:

"Univestin helps to relieve joint discomfort, stiffness and to improve mobility in persons suffering from osteoarthritis. Univestin (is) clinically proven to help improve decreased range of motion associated with osteoarthritis of the knee in 7 days. Univestin® starts to help to relieve joint discomfort associated with osteoarthritis of the knee in 5 days. Univestin starts to help to reduce joint stiffness associated with osteoarthritis of the knee in 3 days. Provides antioxidants that help protect cell against the oxidative damage caused by free radicals." These *less than 7 days* fast acting claims, in managing stiffness and discomfort of the joints, are supported by Unigen's product master file of Univestin® and peer-reviewed publications of human clinical trials.

Regan Miles, Unigen's President and Chief Executive Officer, is very pleased with the approved fast acting claims for Univestin<sup>®</sup>. He attributes the successful outcome to Unigen's open communication with Health Canada regarding Univestin's clinically proven joint health benefits. "Univestin<sup>®</sup> is one of the most extensively studied joint care ingredients, with more than 20 peer-reviewed publications for its high quality human clinical trials and numerous pre-clinical MOA, efficacy and safety studies," said Miles.

"Sancta Health Canada is working on the production of the fast acting joint care product, which will be on the market soon," announced Ms. Yi-Zheng Shen, Sancta's Chief Operating Officer. "Unigen carried on impressive scientific research on Univestin® for more than 10 years. These Health Canada approved fast acting claims for our joint care product will help customers make a wise selection in a very confusing market."



[NOTE: To learn more about Univestin<sup>®</sup> and Unigen's impressive line of scientifically proven products, stop by our booth at SupplySide West 2017, September 27-28, Mandalay Bay, Las Vegas, NV. Unigen Booth LL129]

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## About Unigen

Unigen discovers, develops and manufactures proprietary natural-product active ingredients for dietary supplements, cosmetic and personal care products, prescription medical food and botanical drug products. The Company discovers its ingredients through our high throughput screening PhytoLogix<sup>™</sup> approach applied to a proprietary well-annotated collection of botanicals and a legacy mining approach applied to botanicals having known medicinal benefits. Mechanism of action, safety and efficacy are documented with extensive preclinical *in vitro* and *in vivo* testing and by human clinical studies. Unigen protects its discoveries with issued patents and patent filings in all major territories, and manufactures its products to GMP standards. Unigen commercializes its proprietary ingredients through licensing and ingredient supply alliances with commercial partners engaged in the manufacture, distribution and marketing of end-products in each of Unigen's target markets. <u>www.Unigen.net</u>

## About Sancta

Sancta Health Canada was established by a group of experienced professionals in pharmaceutical, nutraceutical and cosmetic industries with the passion of bringing excellent and scientific evidence based natural products to people for a better life. Sancta Health Canada values the spirit of entrepreneur, creative with actions, diligent with passion and willingness to collaborate with different partners for mutual benefits. Sancta Health Canada is launching Health Canada approved natural products with health benefits related to joint care, liver protection, weight loss and skin blemish.