

STATEMENT ON PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS)

According to the OECD definition, **PFAS** are defined as fluorinated substances that contain at least one fully fluorinated methyl or methylene carbon atom (without any H/Cl/Br/I atom attached to it), i.e. with a few noted exceptions, any chemical with at least a perfluorinated methyl group (–CF₃) or a perfluorinated methylene group (–CF₂–) is a PFAS.

According to our actual knowledge and information from our raw material suppliers, we can confirm that in our products and during the production process of:

BIOCOMP[®] products*

➤ PFAS, e.g.

- perfluorocarboxylic acids (PFCAs, long-chain or short-chain) and its salts;
- perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS, cas#1763-23-1) and its salts;
- perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA, cas#335-67-1) and its salts;
- polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, cas#9002-84-0)

are not intentionally added.

* with exclusion of following grades:

- FOGLIA BIOCOMP 800091;
- BIOCOMP SECONDA SCELTA 800092;
- BIOCOMP MIX code 1N9000;
- BIOCOMP O/G code 1N9001.

Our products are not tested to check any possible presence of the substance(s) mentioned above since this testing process is not a standard procedure within Sirmax SpA, therefore the presence of trace amounts in the product(s) coming from raw material impurities, from the process or as adventitious contaminant cannot be excluded.

This declaration applies only to the composition of granules, and may not be extended to end products obtained by any modification of the composition, any processing conditions which could lead to deteriorated material or improper use of granules.

This information and our technical advice - whether verbal, in writing or by way of trials – are given in good faith but without warranty, and this also applies where proprietary rights of third parties are involved.

Our advice does not release the user from the obligation to check its validity and to test our products as to their suitability for the intended processes and uses. The application, use and processing of our products are beyond our control and, therefore, entirely the

user responsibility. This declaration does not waive the responsibility of user, who must check whether finished products are appropriate for the specific final use.

The information contained herein is accurate and reliable as of the date of issue, however we do not assume any liability whatsoever for the accuracy and completeness of such information.

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