



Hawkins Watts Limited

Press Release

New natural green colour from Phytone

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Hawkins Watts today announced the addition of a new Chlorophyll colour from Phytone UK, one of the world's largest suppliers of chlorophyll and natural colours.

Phytone's range of Chlorophyll colours is extracted mainly from grass and lucerne grown at the company's production site in Lincolnshire, England.

The new product is an oil soluble Chlorophyll paste M0968 which has been developed for use in dairy products and dips.

Chlorophyll is naturally oil soluble and provides a versatile green colour. Alkaline hydrolysis of chlorophyll produces water soluble chlorophyllin which can be reacted with copper to produce stronger, more stable Copper Chlorophyll and Copper Chlorophyllin.

Chlorophylls and Chlorophyllins (E140) and copper complexes of chlorophylls and chlorophyllins (E141) can be used in a wide range of applications including drinks, ice cream, ice lollies, sugar confectionery, sauces and pickles. Chlorophylls and Chlorophyllins can also be used in a wide range of non food applications such as soaps and personal care products

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