

## Press release

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### **Brenntag Food & Nutrition and Vitalus Nutrition sign new agreement in North America**

The Brenntag Food & Nutrition business unit in North America, part of the Brenntag Group, signs a new agreement with Vitalus Nutrition Inc. for the distribution of VITAGOS™ in the United States and Canada.

Vitalus Nutrition focuses on unlocking the nutritional value of milk and transforming its components into ingredients used in nutritional food and beverage applications, like VITAGOS™. VITAGOS™, a galacto-oligosaccharide (GOS) containing syrup, is accepted as Generally Recognized As Safe (GRAS) for its intended uses in the United States. GOS is a non-digestible carbohydrate produced from lactose which is used as a prebiotic and dietary fiber.

“We are thrilled to announce our collaboration with Vitalus Nutrition as their exclusive distributor for VITAGOS™ Galacto Oligosaccharides (GOS) in the United States and Canada,” said Larry Davis, Vice President of Brenntag Food & Nutrition North America. “With new research confirming that a healthy gut microbiome has such a strong impact on overall health, expanding our product line is crucial to meeting growing consumer demand in this area. Our sales and applications team look forward to incorporating GOS into our product line, while also providing technical support and product development to our customers.”

“We are excited to work in collaboration with Brenntag Food & Nutrition to expand our reach in North America,” said Phil Vanderpol, President and CEO of Vitalus Nutrition.

VITAGOS™ can be used in a wide range of food and beverage formulations as an ingredient for healthy aging and active lifestyle applications. It is also used for infant formula and baby food.

#### **About Brenntag Food & Nutrition:**

Brenntag Food & Nutrition, part of the Brenntag Group, is a leading provider of food ingredients to the marketplaces around the globe. We built a reputation of partnering with the best suppliers of ingredients and additives and deliver right to our customers' needs and requirements. With more than 900 dedicated employees, a presence in 77 countries and 30 application and development centers, Brenntag Food & Nutrition provides technical expertise, tailor-made formulation and application solutions, a broad portfolio of specialty and commodity ingredients and profound industry know-how in the segments meat, poultry & fish processing, bakery & bread, dairy & ice cream, beverages, chocolate & confectionary, convenience food and fruit & vegetable processing. Brenntag Food & Nutrition makes its business partners “Sense the difference”.

For more information, please visit [www.brenntag.com/food-nutrition](http://www.brenntag.com/food-nutrition)

**About Vitalus:**

Vitalus is a global supplier of specialized dairy ingredients. They have grown from a family-owned business to a trusted international supplier of specialty ingredients for large scale processors and top tier brands. All their production facilities meet the highest quality Food Safety Standards (FSSC22000), and all their ingredients are Kosher, and Halal certified.

For more information on Vitalus, please visit <http://vitalus.com/>.

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