



ITALINE™ P is a "MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY" and SUSTAINABLE Active.

**EFFICACY** studies (in vitro and clinically tested) proves the increase in INVOLUCRIN (skin barrier integrity), the decrease of INTERLEUKIN 8 (anti-inflammatory effect), REDNESS, SEBUM, TEWL, DESQUAMATION, ERYTHEMA, BURNING and ITCHING reduction in the scalp.



# THE INSPIRATION

Due to the diversity of the Mediterranean Climate that allows our Italian agriculture to have tremendous sources, Akott has created a unique brand-new concept for its ITALINE™ LINE: the Healthy Mediterranean Skin Diet

that influences the selection of unique sources such as **nutrient-rich Wonderful Pomegranate** cultivated in Roman Tuscia

### ITALIAN "SECRET" LAND

**Roman Tuscia** is situated in Northern Lazio and its charm relies on medieval villages such as "the dying city" **Civita di Bagnoregio** and enchanting places like the **Park of monsters** in **Bomarzo**.







### **FOOD INSPIRATION**

**Tuscia's culinary** heritage relies on folkloric festivals dedicated to food deliciousness and local products such as Roman pecorino cheese, the golden hazelnut, and **risotto** with **pomegranate seeds**.



### **LOCAL AGRICULTURE**

The Etruscans revolutionized ancient **irrigation methods** in Tuscia, evolving local agriculture. Nowadays, Tuscia stands out for its excellence thanks to the advancements in **organic farming techniques** and its **volcanic soil** for which is called the "land of water and fire" due to the ancient volcanoes and the lava that shaped many lakes in the area.





### THE HEALTHY MEDITERRANEAN POMEGRANATE

The combination of fertile volcanic soil and the optimal **Mediterranean climate** allows Tuscia to grow an exquisite **Wonderful** variety of pomegranates.

**Pomegranate** is a magical fruit since ancient Roman times, that symbolizes **life**, and **abundance**, tied to the myth of Venus, the goddess of **love**.

Akott has selected the **Pomegranate** to launch

### ITALINE™ P

for its interesting source of phytochemicals, high nutritional value, and potential beneficial effects on health such as antioxidant, dermo-protective, antiproliferative, anti-angiogenesis and cardio-protective activities.

**ITALINE™ P** integrates the biologically active compounds of pomegranate into the perfect product for the Skinification trend

The **Skinification trend** emphasizes treating the **scalp** with the same dedication as facial skincare, using ingredients effective for skincare to create special products to **nourish**, **exfoliate** and **hydrate** the scalp.

Akott launches the perfect **SCALP WELLNESS ROUTINE** with **ITALINE™ P** just as the skincare routine does for the face.



# THE CONCEPT

# Inspired by the HEALTHY MEDITERRANEAN SKIN DIET Akott has developed ITALINE™ P

the MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY and SUSTAINABLE Active leverages the beneficial properties of upcycled Pomegranate for SCALP WELLNESS



### POMEGRANATE and its health benefits

Urban dust (UD) is a type of air pollution comprising fine particles of dust, soot, smoke, and other pollutants. Urban dust as well as radiations, chemicals, and metabolic processes lead to **oxidative stress**. One of the effects of free radicals is to induce **inflammation** and antioxidants can scavenge it, consequently reducing skin and scalp irritation.

Some of the beneficial substances found in **Pomegranate** are vitamins, minerals, proteins, **phenolic compounds** such as caffeic acid, ferulic acid, chlorogenic acid, coumaric acid, ellagic acid, fatty acids, **anthocyanins** and **ellagitannins** that include **GRANATIN B** and **PUNICALAGIN**.

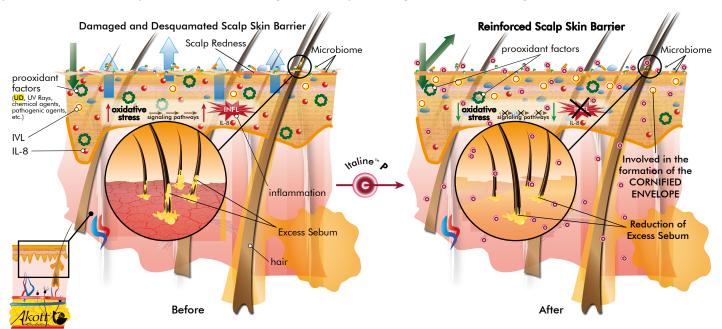
### **SOURCE**

### Italian Pomegranate Peel, Seed and Pulp

### MECHANISM OF ACTION

**ITALINE™ P** reduces UD-induced IL-8 protein levels due to its anti-inflammatory capacity directly related to the antioxidant and free radical scavenger activity, thanks to ellagitannins characteristic of pomegranates such as **PUNICALAGIN** and **GRANATIN B**.

The increase of Involucrin protein level leads to an improvement of the cellular differentiation and therefore to an optimization of the scalp stratum corneum organization, protecting it from external agents.



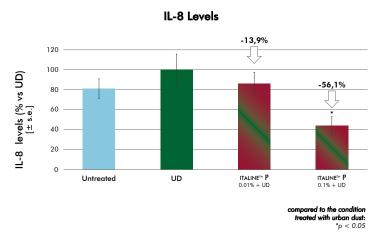
### LABORATORY STUDY (in vitro)

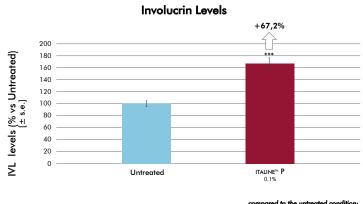
### ANTI-INFLAMMATORY EFFECT

Normal Human Epidermal Keratinocytes (NHEK) were cultured in the presence of Urban Dust (UD) and **ITALINE**  $^{\text{\tiny M}}$  **P** at 0.01% and 0.1% for 24h. IL-8 protein levels by a specific ELISA assay were quantified.

### **SCALP BARRIER INTEGRITY**

Normal Human Epidermal Keratinocytes (NHEK) were treated with **ITALINE™ P** at 0.1% for 72h. Involucrin (IVL) protein levels by a specific ELISA assay were quantified.





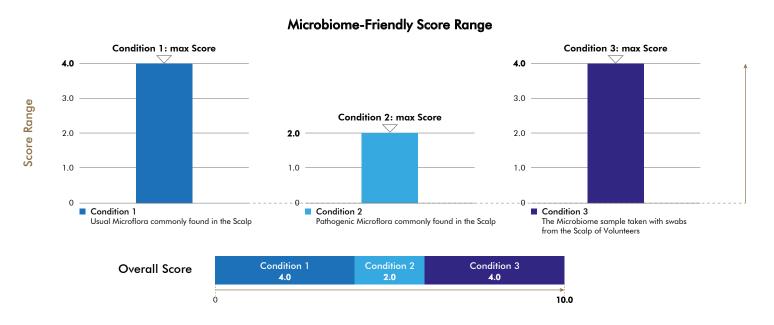
compared to the untreated condition \*\*\* $\rho$  < 0.00

ITALINE™ P decreases the production of pro-inflammatory mediators (IL-8) induced by a source of OXIDATIVE STRESS such as URBAN DUST.

ITALINE™ P increases
INVOLUCRIN levels, thus reinforcing
the stratum corneum.

### MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY

The influence of **ITALINE™ P** on the scalp microbiome is evaluated with a prescribed inoculum of suitable microorganisms through 3 conditions. The score of each condition is calculated with a predefined algorithm. A total score of 5 or above 5 characterizes the product under test as "MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY".



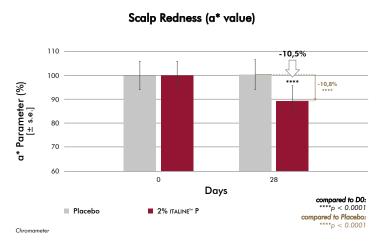
**ITALINE™ P** achieved an overall score of 10.0, therefore, it is characterized as "MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY".

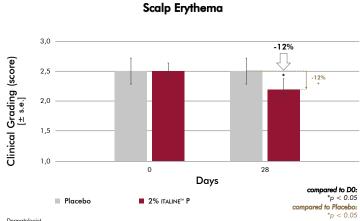
# **EFFICACY EVALUATION**

### **CLINICAL STUDY**

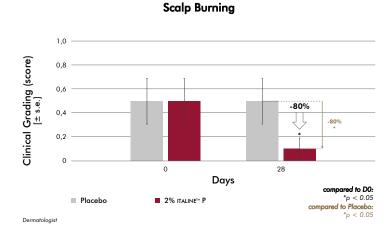
30 healthy volunteers aged 18-70 with sensitive and irritated scalp, itching and seborrhea on the scalp were divided into two groups. The first group applied once a day a scalp lotion containing **ITALINE™ P** at 2%, and the other one applied a placebo scalp lotion, for 28 days.

### **ANTI-IRRITANT ACTIVITY**





# | Scalp Itching | 2,0 | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | | -35,3% | -





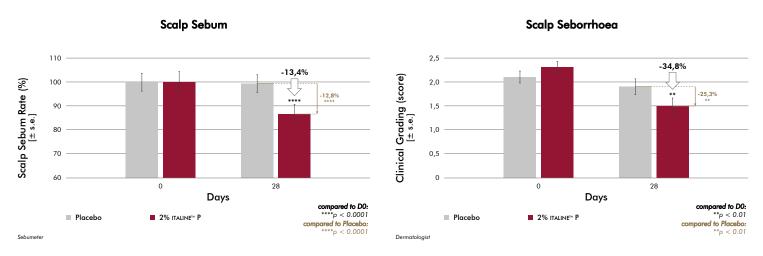


Visible Scalp Redness reduction on a 56-year-old female volunteer

### ITALINE™ P at 2%

# **EFFICACY EVALUATION**

### SCALP SEBO-REGULATORY EFFECT



In medicine, seborrhoea is the pathological increase in sebaceous secretion that gives rise to various types of dermatoses. By "Scalp Seborrhoea" we mean the assessment of the non-pathological excess of sebum evaluated by a dermatologist.





Visible Scalp Sebum reduction on a 55-year-old female volunteer





Visible Scalp Sebum reduction on a 65-year-old male volunteer

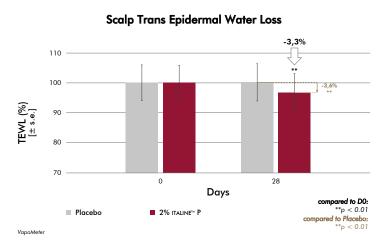
An excess of scalp sebum could induce an overproliferation of *Malassezia* that, in addition to leading to the appearance of dandruff, releases pro-inflammatory unsaturated fatty acids.

### ITALINE™ P at 2%

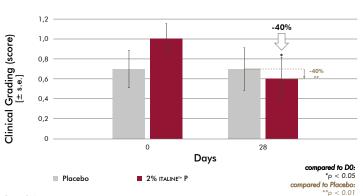
shows a reduction in SCALP SEBUM PRODUCTION both through instrumental and clinical evaluation, thus PREVENTING IRRITATION on subjects with seborrhea on the scalp.

# **EFFICACY EVALUATION**

### **SCALP BARRIER INTEGRITY**



### Scalp Desquamation/Dryness



### ITALINE™ P at 2%

STRENGTHENS THE SCALP SKIN BARRIER, acting on the improvement of Trans Epidermal Water Loss and consequently reducing SCALP DESQUAMATION after 28 days.

### **Self-Evaluation**

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| Do you think the product has a Sebonormalizing Efficacy?   | 73,4% volunteers |
| Do you think the product is <b>gentle on the Scalp</b> ?   | 100% volunteers  |
| Do you think the product reduces Scalp Redness?  | 86,7% volunteers |
| Do you think the product reduces the Itching sensation on the Scalp?   | 80% volunteers   |
| Do you think the product improves Desquamation/Dryness of the Scalp?   | 73,3% volunteers |
| Do you think the product increases the Barrier function of the Scalp?  | 73,3% volunteers |
| Do you think the product has <b>Soothing effect on the Scalp?</b>  | 86,7% volunteers |
| Do you think the product improves the overall appearance of the Scalp?   | 86,6% volunteers |
| Do you think the product is suitable for your Scalp type?  | 80% volunteers   |
| Would you buy a cosmetic product containing an active ingredient that cares for your Scalp as carefully as you care for the Skin on your face? | 93,4% volunteers |

### **CONCLUSIONS**

In vitro testing shows an increase in INVOLUCRIN synthesis, a structural component of the CORNIFIED ENVELOPE that leads to an increase in barrier integrity, whilst this MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY Active shows its ANTI-INFLAMMATORY effect.

The clinical studies confirm the capacity of ITALINE™ P
to act on SCALP BARRIER INTEGRITY and to have ANTI-IRRITANT ACTIVITY.

Moreover, it shows a REDUCTION OF SEBUM production in dry scalps with oily hair.

# PRODUCT INFORMATION

INCI name: Propanediol, Punica granatum Bark/Fruit Extract, Aqua (Water)

**CAS number:** 504-63-2 / 84961-57-9 / 7732-18-5

**EINECS number:** 207-997-3 / 284-646-0 / 231-791-2

**REGULATORY:** EU, USA, China, Japan

**APPEARANCE:** Limpid liquid from yellow to light orange

**SOLUBILITY:** Hydrosoluble

**USE:** Recommended dosage is 1-2%

FORMULATION TIPS: The product is liquid and easy to use. Recommended pH range is 3-8.

**SAFETY DATA:** ITALINE™ P has been tested for cytotoxicity and skin tolerance on sensitive skin

and has demonstrated a good safety profile

PRESERVATIVES: free

**ECO-SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION:** As consumers become more aware of the environmental impact of their choices and activities, they are more likely to seek sustainable solutions. In this context, **ITALINE™ P** comes from upcycled material, indeed pomegranate peels, seeds and pulp are by-products of juice production. Additionally, it is certified ISO 14067 by providing a CFP value.

COSMOS: Compliant HALAL: Compliant VEGAN: Friendly

### **COSMETIC PROPERTIES**

REDUCTION OF PRO-INFLAMMATORY MEDIATORS RELEASE,
OPTIMIZATION OF THE STRATUM CORNEUM
ORGANIZATION,
SCALP REDNESS REDUCTION,
SCALP IRRITATION RELIEF,
SCALP INTEGRITY IMPROVEMENT,
SEBUM-BALANCING,
SCALP MICROBIOME-FRIENDLY

## **APPLICATIONS**

SCALP WELLNESS PRODUCTS,
SENSITIVE SCALP CARE PRODUCTS,
IRRITATED SCALP CARE PRODUCTS,
ANTI-REDNESS SCALP PRODUCTS,
SCALP INTEGRITY PRODUCTS,
ANTI-POLLUTION/ANTIOXIDANT SCALP CARE,
DANDRUFF PREVENTION,
OILY HAIR, HAIR CARE, SCALP CARE



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