

### **Use Picaridin (Saltidin® / Icaridin) to Guard Against Disease-Carrying Insects**

- Insect repellents with the active ingredient Picaridin (Saltidin® / Icaridin) from LANXESS provide effective, pleasant protection for the whole family
- Skin-friendly properties; not oily, greasy or sticky on the skin; does not damage plastics or other synthetic materials
- EPA registered and WHO recommended

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**Pittsburgh, PA – July 10, 2019**—Summer weather is now in full swing in many parts of the U.S., and with the rise in temperatures normally comes an increase in the presence of biting insects. More than just a nuisance, mosquitoes, ticks and other insects can spread dangerous diseases like the Zika virus and Lyme disease. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), “approximately 300,000 people may get Lyme disease each year in the United States.” Insect repellents, including those containing Picaridin (Icaridin), distributed by LANXESS under the brand Saltidin®, offer proven protection against ticks and mosquitos.

The Zika virus remains a threat, as well. According to the CDC, between January 1, 2015 and January 24, 2018 there were 5,646 reported cases of Zika virus disease (Zika) infection in the United States and another 37,158 in U.S. territories. Spread primarily through the bite of an infected mosquito, Zika currently has no specific medical treatment or vaccine, and infection during pregnancy has been linked to serious birth defects and neurological disorders. The CDC says the best way to prevent Zika is to protect against mosquito bites and recommends using an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellent, such as Picaridin.

Picaridin is one of the CDC-recommended, EPA-registered insect repellent active ingredients found effective in protecting against insects that carry both Lyme disease or the Zika virus.

The highly effective, broad spectrum insect repellent active ingredient Picaridin provides long-lasting, effective protection from mosquitoes, including those that carry and transmit the Zika virus, as well as ticks. Known for its skin-friendly properties, it is not oily, greasy or sticky on the skin. Another added benefit is that it does not damage plastics or other synthetic materials.

“Consumers have choices when it comes to the type of insect repellent they use to protect their families. More and more people are looking on repellent labels for the name ‘Picaridin’ to get effective protection without some of the disadvantages associated with other insect repellent active ingredients,” says Hans Essenbreis, business development manager for Saltidin®. “As an active ingredient, Picaridin (Saltidin®) offers a growing number of formulators and the end consumer the perfect balance of effectiveness, safety and user-friendliness.”

Registered with the U.S. EPA since 2001, Picaridin works by acting on insects’ odor receptors, disabling their ability to recognize humans as blood donors. Providing up to 14 hours of protection (depending on formulation), Picaridin can be used with confidence on the whole family. Currently, there are several major brands of Picaridin-based repellents available in the U.S. and throughout the world, in various concentrations and forms, such as sprays, creams, wipes and sticks. Picaridin is recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO) for protection against mosquitos carrying dengue fever and the Zika virus.

For more information, including repellent brands containing Picaridin, visit [www.picaridin.saltidin.com](http://www.picaridin.saltidin.com).

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