

## **Kemin Nutrisurance Launches TEGRAVIA™, a Functional Fiber for Pet Food, in South America**

**Natural cassava fiber product is a multifunctional option for pet food producers in Brazil**

CHAPECÓ, Brazil, April 20, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Kemin Industries, a global ingredient manufacturer that strives to sustainably transform the quality of life every day for 80 percent of the world with its products and services, announced that Kemin Nutrisurance, its pet food and rendering technologies business unit, has launched its first fiber ingredient, TEGRAVIA™, for the pet food market in Brazil.

Fiber has long been used in pet food to balance formulations and promote animal health. In partnership with Fibervita, a food ingredient company in Brazil, Kemin Nutrisurance developed TEGRAVIA as a functional fiber for inclusion into pet food. The product's fiber is extracted from cassava, an edible root widely used in various recipes in Brazilian cuisine. TEGRAVIA serves as a fiber source with prebiotic and intestinal health support properties and can also benefit pet food product formulations by enhancing texture and starch gelatinization.

Using a synergistic combination of soluble and insoluble fiber, TEGRAVIA supports the growth of beneficial bacteria and promotes balanced homeostasis in dogs' and cats' gastrointestinal tracts. Kemin has conducted studies, in partnership with the Federal University of Paraná and the State University of Maringá, in which TEGRAVIA was compared to other fibers, including beet pulp and microcrystalline cellulose, in dog and cat microbiota. The results suggest TEGRAVIA can compensate for the inclusion of beet pulp plus microcrystalline cellulose association/combination.

"Our goal at Kemin Nutrisurance is to bring complete solutions to our customers by supplying innovative ingredients, like TEGRAVIA, along with technical, laboratory and application services to support our customers every step of the way," said Valdir Lucatelli, General Manager – South America, Kemin Nutrisurance.

TEGRAVIA is currently available in Brazil, with registration plans in other countries in South America, Europe and North America.

### **About Kemin Industries**

**Kemin Industries** ([www.kemin.com](http://www.kemin.com)) is a global ingredient manufacturer that strives to sustainably transform the quality of life every day for 80 percent of the world with its products and services. The company supplies over 500 specialty ingredients for human and animal health and nutrition, pet food, aquaculture, nutraceutical, food technologies, crop technologies, textile, biofuels and animal vaccine industries.

For over half a century, Kemin has been dedicated to using applied science to address industry challenges and offer product solutions to customers in more than 120 countries. Kemin provides ingredients to feed a growing population with its commitment to the quality, safety and efficacy of food, feed and health-related products.

Established in 1961, Kemin is a privately held, family-owned-and-operated company with more than 2,800 global employees and operations in 90 countries, including manufacturing facilities in Belgium, Brazil, China, India, Italy, Russia, San Marino, Singapore, South Africa and the United States.

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