# **Z**KBioLab

Company Credentials Improving microbial population in the human microbiota by **chemicals** for new drugs or functional foods



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- Microbes are symbionts that live alongside us and are the most important determinant of our health after our own bodies themselves.
- It is increasingly recognized that our symbiotic microbiota provides us with more than just nutritional and immune benefits, but also mental health.
- Probiotics play an important role in improving the distribution of gut microbiota, which determines our health.
- However, even if you develop and commercialize probiotics for health benefits and achieve a successful business, there will be limits to continuously developing and commercializing better strains **eventually**.
- KBioLab has a platform to discover and provide (natural) compounds that accelerate the growth rate of your probiotics, allowing them to occupy a higher share of the gut microbiota and thus multiply their health-promoting effects.
- Through collaboration with your company, KBioLab will present (natural) compounds that selectively accelerates the growth rate of your probiotics within 6 months, and through further collaborative research, we will present the identification of the active chemicals and its biological mechanism of action.
- By utilizing our proposed (natural) compounds, your company can develop a new product that boosts the effectiveness of your probiotics.

## Dr. Tae-Jong Kim, C.E.O.

#### Functional chemical development expert with over 30 years of microbial research experience



#### **Education**

- Ph.D., Department of Food Science and Technology,
   Major in Food Microbiology,
   University of California, Davis, CA, USA
- Master, Department of Biological Science,
   Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology
- Bachelor, Department of Food Technology, Korea University

#### **Careers**

- **CEO**, KBioLab ('16~)
- Professor, Department of Forest Products and Biotechnology Kookmin University ('09~)
- Research Professor, Institute of Natural Sciences, Myongji University ('07~'09)
- Researcher, Samyang Genex Research Center ('92~'97)

#### Research

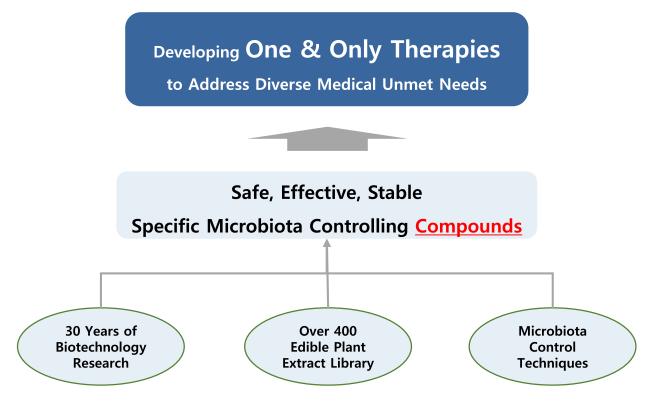
- 66 publications, 158 conference proceedings
- 91 patent applications, 82 patent registrations,
- 23 technology transfers

#### **Activities**

- Member, American Society for Microbiology, 2001~
- Member, Institute of Food Technologists, 2001~
- Board member, Korean Society for Microbiology and Biotechnology, 2004
- Member, Korean Society of Food Science and Technology, 2007~
- Executive Director, Korean Society of Wood Science and Technology, 2010~
- Chairperson, Kookmin University Institutional Biosafety Committee 2014~
- Member of Laboratory Safety Committee in Kookmin University, 2021~

## **Key Technologies**

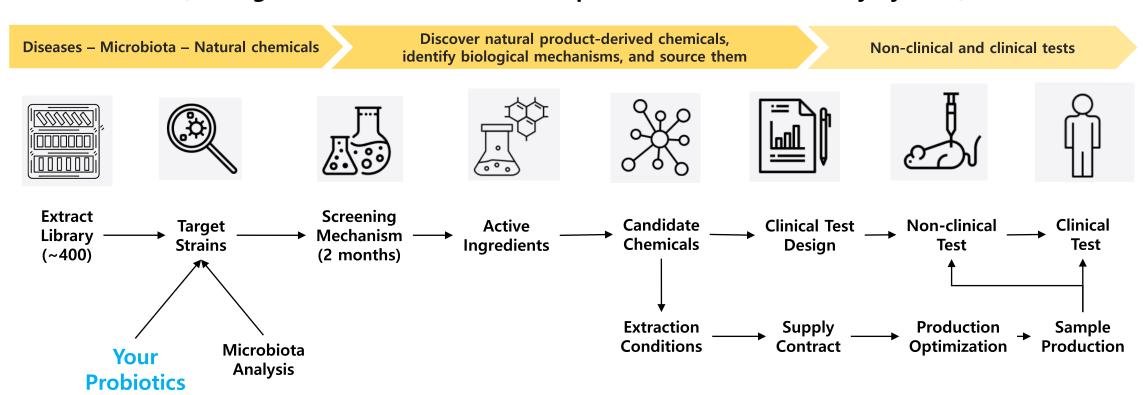
Developing the next generation chemical drugs of bio-microbiota therapeutics for a healthy coexistence between humans and nature



Maintaining human health & sustainable preservation of the nature by target specific fine-tuning on the human microbiota by compounds

## Microbiota therapeutic chemical discovery platform

Natural product-based selective and effective control and treatment of disease-causing strains (Next-generation microbiota therapeutic chemical discovery system)



## Business with KBioLab technology

#### Specialized in "Microbiota Improvement" bio-health chemical

#### **R&D ONE-STOP PLATFORM**

Identify and modulate the physiologies of microorganisms to develop safe, stable, and effective functional chemicals that overcome the challenges of conventional microbiome techniques.

#### Safety

## Microbiota modulators with proven human safety

- Edible plants recognized by the FDA with pharmacological efficacy in the history
- Bacterial physiology modulation, reduces the risk of side effects and resistance, allowing for long-term sustainable use

#### **Stable**

## Develop and produce chemicals with stable supply

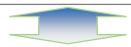
- Stable supply of raw materials
- Multiple extraction technologies
- Existing extract manufacturing facilities
- Stable manufacturing and commercialization
- Convenient distribution/storage conditions

#### **Effective**

Research & Development Step-by-step efficacy validation

New chemicals and validating their efficacy

- Chemical discovery, product development
- In-vitro efficacy Test
- In-vivo(clinical) efficacy Test
- Consumer testimonials



#### **Traditional Therapeutics / Microbiome Methods**

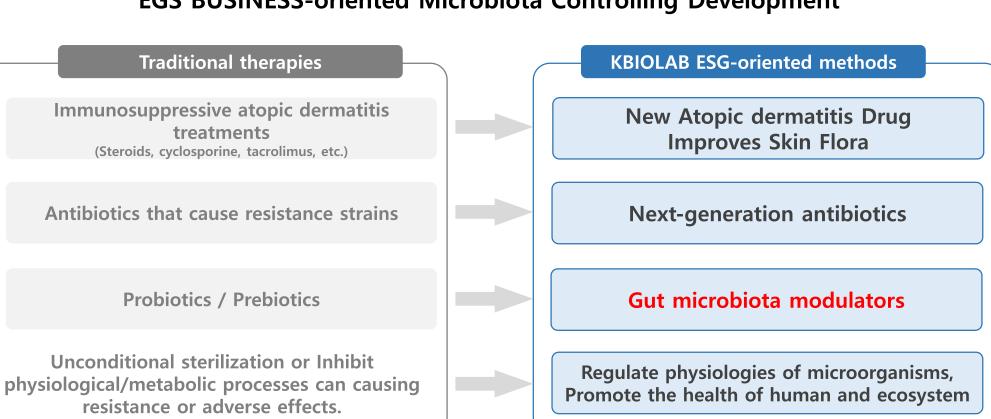
Insufficient human safety data or adverse effects, Artificial chemicals, Artificially improved/developed strains

Unstable production, distribution, and storage of live bacteria, cultures, or ferments

Raw material characteristics, patent/paper level efficacy, Efficacy is not expected until use

#### **R&D Mission**

# Microbiota Control for Human Health and Sustainable Conservation of Nature EGS BUSINESS-oriented Microbiota Controlling Development



#### Developing the next generation of microbiota therapeutics

#### KBioLab's advanced development of next-generation microbiota modulators

that go beyond the efficacy and safety limits of traditional methods in the field of microbiome, which is being recognized as the second genome.

	Probiotics	Prebiotics	Postbiotics	Microbiota modulators
Materials	Living bacteria	Chemicals	Chemicals, culture	Natural product-derived chemicals
MOA	culture of beneficial bacteria for human consumption	Nutrient for beneficial bacteria	Functional active metabolites produced by beneficial bacteria	Chemicals regulate the growth of beneficial and pathogenic bacteria
Advantages	Increased number of beneficial bacteria	Promote the growth of beneficial bacteria	The benefits of microbial symbiosis benefits	Personal microbiota, safety, and stability. No side effects and resistance
Downsides	Safety and efficacy     Distribution/storage stability	Strain target specificity	Microbial culture and purification, No effect on microbiota	
Products	GEN-501(Genome & Company), KBL693(Kobiolabs) PP-P8(Cellbiotech), Dietary supplements, etc.			VSP complex (KBioLab)
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## KBioLab's advanced microbiota technology

#### Strain-selective growth rate control by chemicals to modulate microbiota

- Microbiome research and individualized microbiota diagnosis
- Suggestions for improvement of skin and intestinal microbiota
   (pathogenic bacteria to be eliminated and beneficial bacteria to be increased)
- Manufacturing customized natural compound complexes
- Application to improve human microbiota
- Therapeutic effects

  (digestive system diseases, autoimmune diseases, obesity, cancer, infectious diseases,

central nervous system, respiratory diseases, mental diseases and more)

This example demonstrates the application of KBioLab's platform technology to skin microbiota to improve the distribution of skin microbiota, and the result is that the commercial product used by actual consumers shows improved therapeutic effects for atopic dermatitis.

## Example of products developed

with KBioLab technology

(Skin microbiota modulator for atopic dermatitis)

## Studies and developing technology for the skin

In general, people said that all microbes should be sterilized with the negative impression that "microbes are bad".

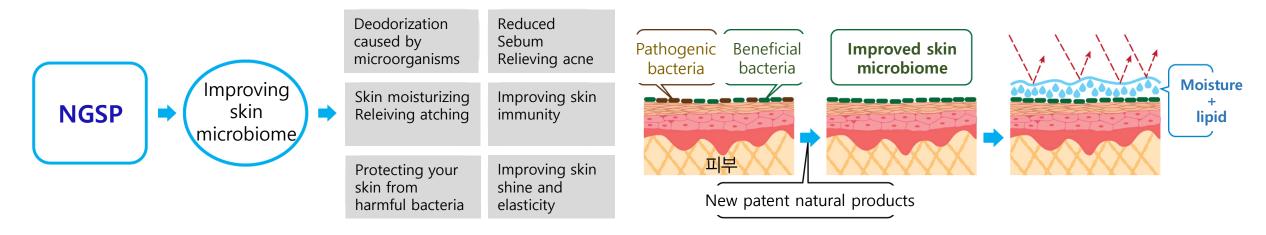
However, there are good beneficial microorganisms and harmful pathogenic microorganisms together.

Based on the concept that "Beneficial bacteria create a good microbial ecosystem to increase human skin immunity.",

we have developed a technology that promotes the growth rate of beneficial bacteria and suppresses the growth of pathogenic bacteria to create a healthy skin microbiota.

We defined this concept as the Next Generation Skin Prebiotics (NGSP).

Professor Tae-Jong Kim in Department of Forest Products and Biotechnology, Kookmin University has developed a natural plant extracts for skin care using the concept of Skin Prebiotics.



## Innovative patented technology, VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup>

VSP Complex™, the world's first **NGSP**, improves the microbiota in human skin with natural plant extracts.

It is a stabilized complex from natural edible plant extracts, so it is generally safe regardless of skin type.

VSP Complex™ has little skin irritation, especially keeping sensitive skin calm.

We do not use the foreign microorganisms for improving skin microbiota.

Don't protect your skin with someone else's microorganisms.

We are concerning about how to tame your own microorganisms in the skin.

KBioLab proposes natural skincare products based on VSP Complex™

that can tame your microbiota on the skin' that can help your vibrant life.

#### Problems to be addressed: Atopic dermatitis

Problem: Even with a lot of effort and products, atopic dermatitis cannot be cured.



**Current Approaches** 

Medicine (corticosteroid, antimicrobial, antihistamines)

Moisturizer

Wellness Routine

- Serious side effects
- emergence of resistant strains
- Unable to use continuously
- Not good for infants and toddlers

- Shine
- Acne
- Damaged oil/moisture balance

- Effect is temporary
- Recurrent and persistent symptoms

There is an important thing missing from the current treatment methods for atopic dermatitis.

#### Dermatologists around the world are waiting for KBioLab products

"Novel therapeutic options with potential for restoring natural microbiome composition ... may enter clinical practice in the future."

Postepy Dermatol Alergol 2019 36:11–17

"Microbiome-based immunotherapy, whose mechanism of action completely differs from that of typical steroid ointments, are expected to be developed in the future." Allergology International 2019 68:309-315

"Given the importance of *S. aureus* colonization and microbiome in AD, anti-bacterial treatments have been considered for managing AD."

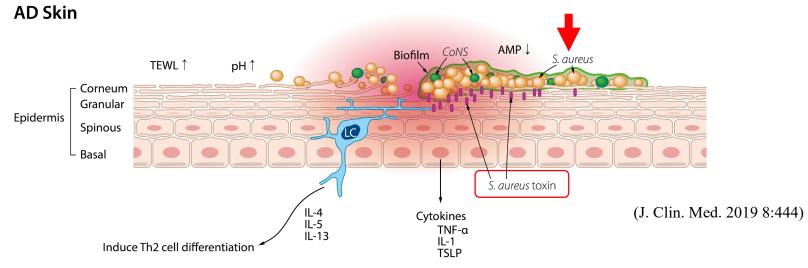
Ann Allergy Asthma Immunol 2017 119:435-440

KBioLab products do provide the exactly the solution dermatologists want.

# Staphylococcus aureus is a causative bacteria for atopic symptoms (the target strain to remove)



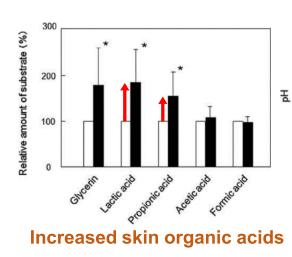
• Reducing the diversity of microbiota on the skin

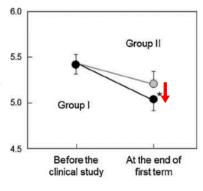


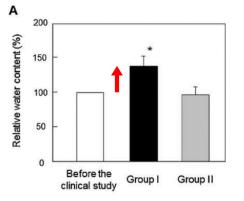
# Staphylococcus epidermidis is a beneficial bacteria for the skin. (the target strain to accelerate the growth rate)

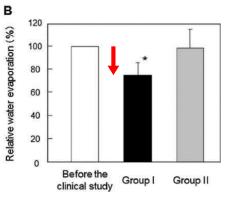
KBioLab has developed the world's only compound that selectively accelerates the growth rate of beneficial bacteria.

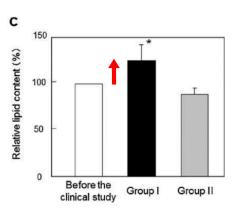
Restore the skin barrier with *S. epidermidis* Improved skin health by isolating *S. epidermidis* from test subjects' skin, culturing it, and reapplying it to the skin.











Increased moisture content

**Increased lipid content** 

Adjusting the skin pH

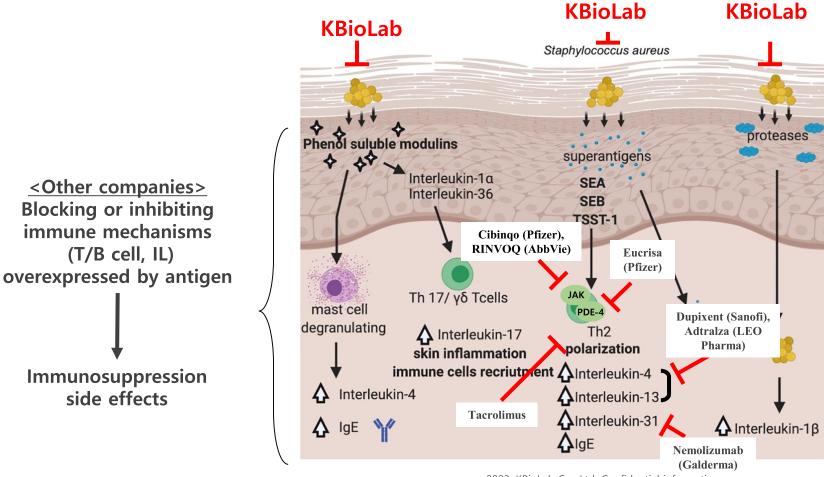
Reduced evaporation of moisture

J Dermatol Sci 2015 79:119

## Other companies' strategies for developing new drugs for atopic dermatitis

KBioLab has developed commercial products and validated the link between microbiota and atopic dermatitis.

[Microbiota modulator developed exclusively by KBioLab]



KBioLab

Eliminating antigen
by removing *S. aureus* 

Safe and effective elimination of the causative agent (*S. aureus*)

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#### Plant extract complex for improving skin flora that inhibits S. aureus

## VSP complex to improve skin microbiota (Plant Extract Complex)

- Existing skin care only cares about the skin.
- Prior to KBioLab, the only way to control the skin microbiota was cleaning and disinfection..

#### **VSP complex**, a true microbiota modulator

#### VSP complex is a plant extract formula

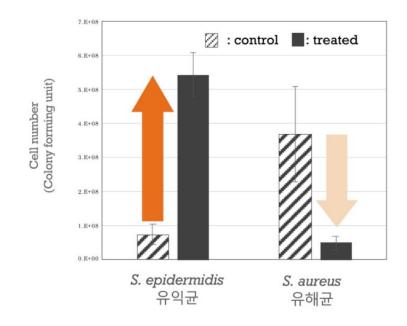
#### that improves skin microflora while eliminating S. aureus.

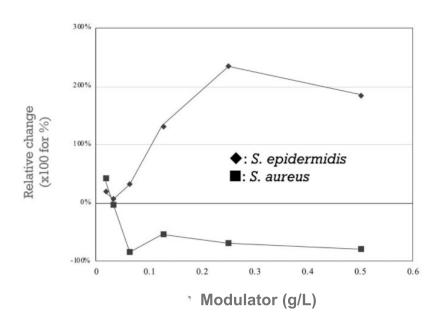
- There is a limit to the use of living beneficial bacteria for skin health.
- Extracts of beneficial bacteria may not change the skin microbiota and are only the ingredients that are good for the skin.

#### Finding a skin microbiota modulator

Discovery of a skin microbiota modulator through screening from a library of 400 edible plant extracts

KBioLab skin microbiota modulator promotes the growth rate of beneficial bacteria (S. epidermidis) and inhibits the growth rate of harmful bacteria (S. aureus)





## KBioLab products using the skin microbiota modulator

## vikkot

www.vikkot.com







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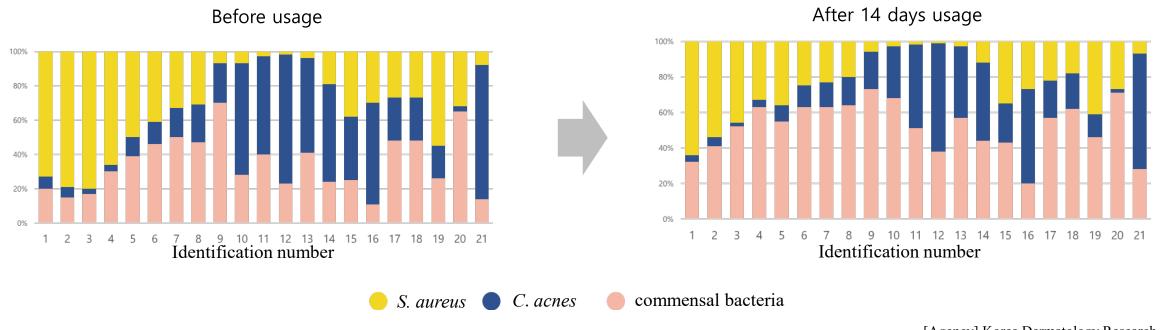
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**HANEE** 

VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup> is a skin prebiotic containing five patented plant extracts.

# KBioLab products with the skin microbiota modulator improved the skin microbiota population.

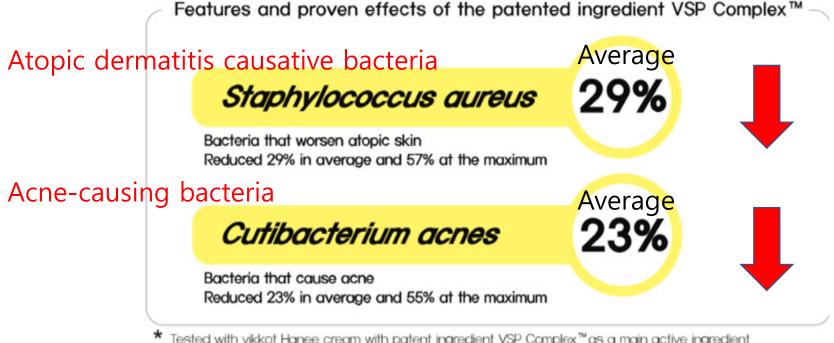
After two weeks of use of KBioLab cream, a decrease in the proportion of pathogenic bacteria (*S. aureus*, *C. acnes*) in the microbiota and an increase in the proportion of commensal bacteria, including beneficial bacteria.



[Agency] Korea Dermatology Research Institute [Period] 2019.03.28~2019.04.11, Different trial period for each test [Number of people] 21 adult men and women aged 24 to 54 [Tested products] VI:KKOT HANEE CREAM with VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup>

## VSP complex removes S. aureus and improves the skin microbiota

Improvement of skin microbiota by commercial products from KBioLab (Result of the world's first and only skin microbiota improvement by clinical trial)



Tested with vikkot Hanee cream with patent ingredient VSP Complex™as a main active ingredient.

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## VSP complex makes the skin healthy.

- Inhibiting S. aureus by 29%
- Inhibiting *C. acnes* by 23% that causes acne

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In addition to improving skin microbiota,
there were various skin health promotion effects.







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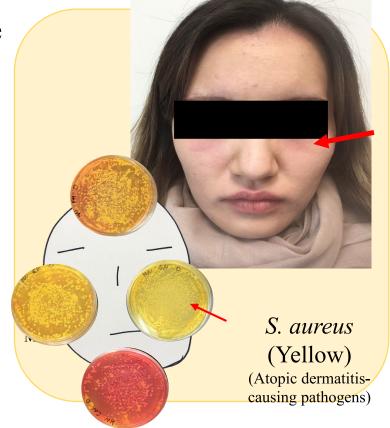
\*Compared results with cosmetics without VSP Complex™

## Improving the atopic dermatitis symptoms by the VSP complex #1

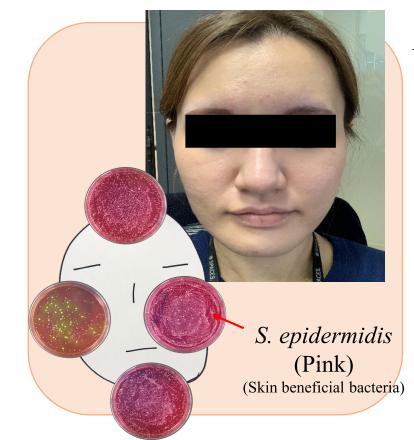
#### Before & After using VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup>

(Atopic dermatitis customer, long-term using)

Before







After 1 year

After one year of use, atopic dermatitis was cured, S. aureus was decreased, and beneficial bacteria S. epidermidis was increased.

## Improving the atopic dermatitis symptoms by the VSP complex #2

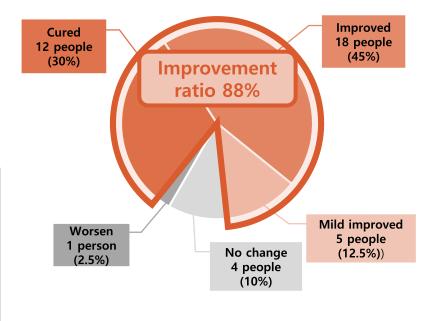
While infants and toddlers are usually excluded from the age requirements for atopic dermatitis medications, KBioLab's new skin microbiota modulator is prescribed as a lotion.

KBioLab's modulator has demonstrated long-term safety and efficacy in atopic dermatitis patients of all ages, from infants as young as 6 months to adults.

#### Short-term (2 months) results in 40 patients with atopic dermatitis

Total 40 subjects				
Infant (Under 2 years)	29			
Child (Age 2 ~10 years)	8			
Adult (20 years of age or older)	3			
Sample: VSP complex lotion  Duration of use: 8 weeks  (1st. '21.02~'21.04 / 2nd. '21.03~'21.05)				

Judgment Criteria *Based on lesion photos and subjective reviews			
Cured	No more symptoms		
Improved	Reduced symptom intensity or area		
Mild improved	Decreased in the frequency and intensity of exacerbations		
No change	Neither better nor worse		
Worsen	Worsening		





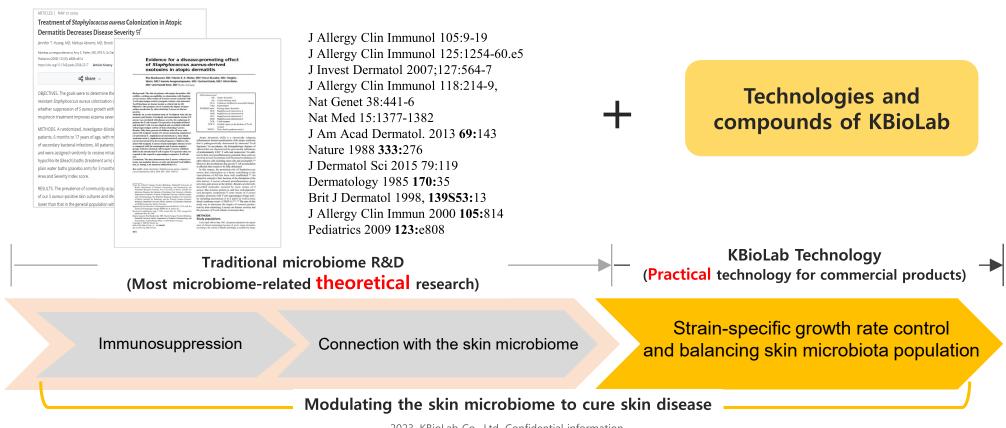
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Infant (less than 1 year old)

Infant (less than 1 year old)

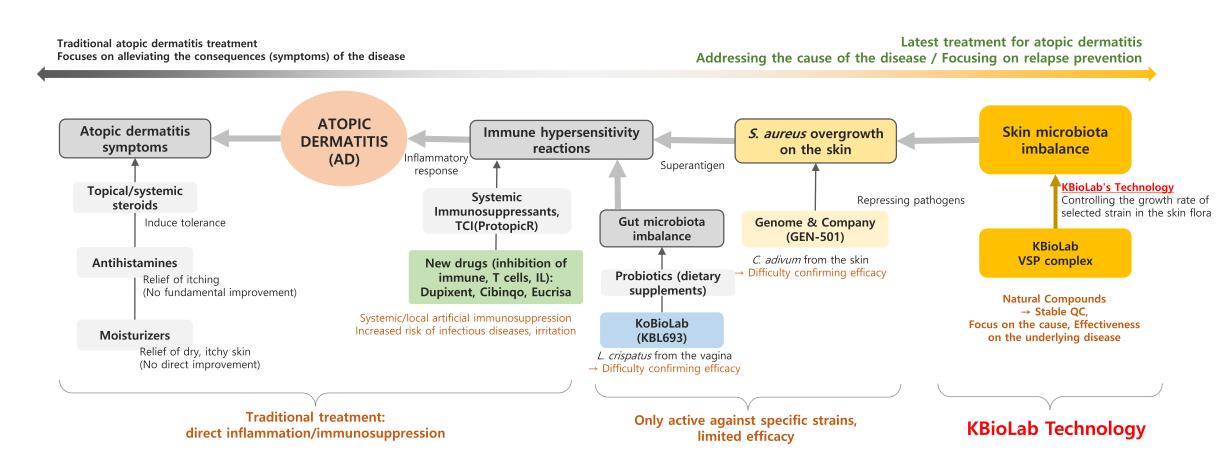
## Significance and achievements of the skin microbiota modulator

KBioLab's skin microbiota modulator brought a previously theoretical microbiome-skin disease treatment into the real world, creating a new drug for atopic dermatitis through microbiota improvement.



#### KBioLab's technology to treat atopic dermatitis

By focusing on the causes of atopic dermatitis, KBioLab's new technology is expected to enable prevention, early treatment, and long-term management.



#### Products with VSP complex<sup>TM</sup>, KBioLab's innovative patented technology

#### **Functionality** Climate Anti-trouble high temperature and humidity Anti-aging high temperature and dry Anti-pollution a climate of wide daily variation VSP Complex Region Skin trouble • Europe (Paris, London, Moscow) Atopy Asia (Tokyo, Beijing, Hanoi, Manila) Lymphedema R&D with innovative idea and methods • USA Product development / Marketing **Psoriasis** Age / Distribution / Integrated skin care solution Medical application Infants / Children Teenage Adhesive transparent cover 2034 Skin care after treatment 3549

ACTIVE SILVER

#### **Activating beauty project**

KBioLab doesn't simply talk about how to be beautiful skin.

We want to share how you can tame your skin microbiota for you to complete a healthy and confident lifestyle in the various moments.

The poor quality of life due to environmental pollution is not only an issue in Korea.

Especially in large cities such as Seoul, Tokyo, Shanghai, Beijing, Bangkok, Moscow, London, Paris, and New York where more than 10 million people live, this environmental pollution is a causative agent of skin problems or diseases.

KBioLab wants to study how climate and living conditions in your life affect your skin and suggests effective solutions.

We operate VSP (VIBRANT, SENSITIVE, PROFESSIONAL) COMMUNITY

to quantitatively and qualitatively analyze the skin sensitivity according to the climate, living environment and lifestyle around the world.

VSP COMMUNITY is a global consumer group that is always open to trends and has a physical sense of life. It is a business network and our leading consumer.



#### VIKKOT: The first skincare brand with VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup>



## vikkot

**ACTIVATING BEAUTY** 

It is a skin care product
that helps to maintain your skin health and
to prevent the skin troubles
by taming your own skin microorganisms,
while responding actively
to the changes of the critical skin external environment.

It is an activate skin care product that helps to increase skin vitality.

#### VIKKOT, the first skincare brand with VSP Complex<sup>TM</sup>



Origin

CLASSIC ORIGIN

Purity

SKIN BORN Improvement

ACTIVE CARE ACTION

Rhythm

BIO BALANCE

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