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## **Allergen Statement**

### **Piscine Gelatin / Piscine Hydrolysate**

The Piscine Gelatin and Piscine Gelatin Hydrolysates that we provide are a hydrolyzed purified extraction of collagen derived from fish scales or skin. Although Custom Collagen does not recognize Piscine Gelatin/Collagen as allergens \*, we do comply with FALCPA.

In conformance to the FDA Food Allergen Labeling and Consumer Protection Act of 2004, the gelatins and hydrolysates made from fish skin or scales would be categorized as “Contains Fish and Fish Derivatives”. The labels used for our shipments must also indicate “Piscine” as part of the description. This is true for both the United States and European Union.

There may be sulfites used in the manufacture of gelatin, however per the United States Pharmacopeia / National Formulary specifications, it contains less than 50ppm. Typically, gelatin derived from this source contains much less than 40ppm.

*\*Review of preliminary data from threshold study supports this exemption. FARRP letter dated August 31, 2001. Interim results from two studies suggest a high likelihood that Fish gelatin is not a problem for fish allergic individuals (S. Hefle opinion, Aug. 31, 2001). FARRP Expert Opinion: Allergenicity of Fish Gelatin (S. Taylor, S. Hefle, and J. Kabourek, November 06, 2003)*