

New Disinfectant Stops Spread of Virus, Including Coronavirus Strain from China

Sydney, 25 Jan (ACN Newswire) - Australian researcher Steven Kritzler says his Evocide Extra disinfectant is able to stop the spread of virus, as in the present outbreak in Wuhan City, China. This new strain of Coronavirus is a SARS-like virus that has caused hundreds of infections in China, and has spread to Thailand, Japan and South Korea.

Steven Kritzler of Novapharm Research (Aus) Pty Ltd "Both the Wuhan virus, known as 2019-nCoV, and SARS belong to the family of viruses known as Coronaviridae, which can be deactivated by many materials, such as Evocide Extra," says Kritzler, who is based at Novapharm Research near Sydney, and is a committee member of the Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).Kritzler garnered attention at the Symposium on Advanced Infection Control in November when his Evocide Extra disinfectant formulation was presented. "Coronavirus is a type of enveloped virus -- a virus that develops viruses. My formulation can deactivate any virus, including enveloped and non-enveloped viruses." "Coronavirus is microscopic, hence face masks alone cannot effectively prevent spreading the virus. I suggest that the best way to protect from spreading the virus is to wash your hands regularly, for example when you touch the door handle. And remember to use the disinfectants in time," says Kritzler.Southern Cross, another formulation by Kritzler, are eco-friendly skin and hard surface disinfectant paper wipes that can deactivate viruses such as HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), hand-foot-mouth (EV71), influenza A (H1N1) and measles, and like Evocide can kill 99.999% of bacterial pathogens including super bacteria.The Chinese Spring Festival holiday begins later this week, increasing the risk of spread of the new virus. The holiday period typically sees hundreds of millions of Chinese traveling throughout the country and overseas.

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