Clean Food Group announces launch of CLEANOil™ ahead of in-cosmetics Global debut

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Biotechnology-derived ingredient platform reaches commercial readiness following cross-industry collaboration

Clean Food Group (CFG) today announces the launch of CLEAN Oil™, its biotechnology-derived ingredient platform for the beauty industry, ahead of its debut at in-cosmetics Global in Paris (14–16 April 2026).

The platform launch marks the progression of CLEAN Oil™ from concept to commercial reality, with market readiness having been achieved through a connected innovation ecosystem with full-service beauty manufacturer THG LABS, integrating biotechnology development, formulation validation and the industrial scale-up of sustainable ingredients.

Developed using CFG's proprietary fermentation technology and circular feedstocks such as surplus bread, CLEAN Oil™ addresses multi-industry demand for high-performance ingredients with reduced environmental impact. The ingredient delivers the sensorial quality and functionality associated with premium oils - rich, silky, and naturally high in Omega 6 and 7 - while achieving a >95% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions compared to conventional agricultural oils.

CLEAN Oil™ reflects a broader shift in how ingredients are sourced and produced, demonstrating the role of biotechnology and circular feedstocks in enabling more sustainable supply chains. The ingredient has been designed to meet both environmental and performance requirements and has been evaluated within real formulation systems. It is compatible across a wide range of formats, maintaining colour and odour stability while delivering an elegant sensorial profile.

Scalability has been a core consideration in the development of CLEAN Oil™. CFG's fermentation platform and manufacturing process have been validated at scale, supporting consistent production and facilitating adoption by global brands.

CFG's collaboration with THG LABS has supported the translation of the technology into a commercially viable ingredient. Through formulation expertise and product development capabilities, the collaboration has enabled CLEAN Oil™ to progress beyond proof of concept, with demonstrated performance in finished products and across relevant application formats.

Alex Neves, CEO of Clean Food Group, said : "The launch of CLEAN Oil™ is a defining moment for us as a business. We have always believed biotechnology has the potential to fundamentally reshape how ingredients are made, and with CLEAN Oil™, we are showing that sustainable alternatives can meet, if not exceed, the performance expectations of the beauty industry. Just as importantly, through our partnership with THG LABS, we have been able to translate that science into something brands can confidently formulate with today."

Kristal Goodman, Head of Product Innovation at THG LABS (part of THG PLC), added : “What’s been exciting about working with Clean Food Group is the opportunity to support genuinely new biotechnology and help shape it for the industry. Our role has been to prove that CLEAN Oil™ doesn’t just work in theory - it works in formulation, at scale, and within the demands of modern beauty product development. That’s what ultimately gives brands the confidence to adopt new ingredients.”

CLEAN Oil™ will be showcased in the Innovation Zone at in-cosmetics Global, Paris, where CFG will present its approach to combining biotechnology and circular feedstocks in the development of next-generation cosmetic ingredients.

CFG expects that future ingredient innovation will be evaluated not only on performance, but also on production methods and supply chain impact. CLEAN Oil™ represents a step towards this transition.

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About Clean Food Group

CFG is a leading UK biotech manufacturer of sustainable oils and fats for the global food, cosmetic and pet food industries. Through its proprietary CLEAN OilCell™ technology platform, CFG delivers functional oils (CLEAN Oil™) and fats (CLEAN Fat™) at price parity to agriculture alternatives, whilst meeting the growing need for local and sustainable production. In 2025, its CleanOil™ 25 product received approval to be used as a cosmetics ingredient in the UK, US and Europe.

Founded in 2022 after eight years of pioneering research, CFG manufactures its oils and fats from food waste, leveraging scalable yeast strains and fermentation technology to deliver sustainable alternatives to traditional oil and fat ingredients. With the manufacturing process now validated at scale and significantly bolstered by the transformation acquisition of a 1 million litre fermentation facility in Knowsley, Liverpool in 2025, CFG has strategic and industrial collaborations in place with leading global FMCG and ingredients manufacturers and has a strong demand pipeline for its products.

CFG has a vastly experienced management team with a successful track record in scaling businesses in high growth regulated industries. For more information on CFG, please visit cleanfood.group .

About THG LABS

THG LABS is a UK-based leader in beauty product development and manufacturing, specialising in bespoke formulations for skincare, haircare, bodycare, and suncare. Its multidisciplinary team of

in-house beauty experts includes world-class cosmetic scientists, regulatory specialists, packaging technologists, and highly experienced production professionals.

As the R&D and manufacturing arm of THG Beauty, THG LABS powers innovation and product development for its brands and global names in beauty. THG LABS offers cutting-edge solutions at every stage of the product journey - from concept to consumer. Please visit https://www.thglabs.com for more information.