

Mazza Innovation opens first large-scale commercial extraction processing facility for its *PhytoClean*™ extracts

Vancouver, Canada — March 7, 2016 — Mazza Innovation Ltd., a world-leading provider of premium-quality, solvent-free botanical extracts, is pleased to announce the opening of its first large-scale commercial extraction processing facility to produce its award-winning *PhytoClean*™ Cranberry, Green Tea and Blueberry extracts as well as other clean label ingredients for its customers. Mazza's process is a significant advance in environmental standards for extraction technologies. The company will be exhibiting at the Engredea 2016 natural food products tradeshow in Anaheim, California, March 11–13, 2016.

The 38,000 sq.ft. facility has received its GMP certification and is fully compliant with the quality requirements of dietary supplements and natural health product manufacturers, including with organic customers in the near future. Since the Mazza *PhytoClean* process only uses water as its solvent, no costly solvent-handling environmental safety permits or explosion-proof equipment were needed in its construction. This translates into competitive pricing for its quality ingredients or contract manufacturing services offered to its customers.

“Opening and initiating large-scale production is an exciting and important milestone for Mazza as we enter commercial production of our advanced premium extracts for the customers who have placed orders,” said Benjamin Lightburn, president of Mazza Innovation. “We now have significant processing capability to fulfill demand and we’re exhibiting at Engredea to meet with customers to discuss orders and talk about the development of other innovative extract products. Our extraction technology can be applied to source many different botanical ingredients with higher purity than is typically available.”

Mazza will be exhibiting in booth #875 at Engredea and looks forward to meeting with current and potential customers. Last year at Engredea, Mazza's first three commercial botanical extract products — cranberry, blueberry and green tea — were selected as the Most Innovative Ingredients during the 2015 Editors' Choice Awards.

About *PhytoClean*™ Cranberry, Green Tea and Blueberry

***PhytoClean*™ Cranberry** is a 100% cranberry extract, standardized in Proanthocyanidins (PACs), flavonoids that have been shown to foster urinary health and support healthy vascular functions.

***PhytoClean*™ Green Tea** is a 100% green tea extract, standardized to 30% polyphenols, 14% total catechins and 10% epigallocatechin-3-gallate (EGCG). ***PhytoClean*™ Blueberry** is a 100% blueberry

extract, standardized in anthocyanidins. Blueberries are a superior source of antioxidants that have a wide range of health-supporting benefits and help provide protection against the damaging oxidizing effects of free radicals.

All three award-winning ingredients are produced using the PhytoClean™ Method that produces solvent-free, excipient-free and GMO-free standardized extracts that meet the industry's highest quality standards.

About the Mazza PhytoClean™ Method

The PhytoClean™ Method water-based extraction process purifies and concentrates bioactives by pressurizing water at moderate temperatures to lower its polarity. This greatly increases the water's ability to solubilize bioactive compounds. In effect, the water behaves like an organic solvent (such as ethanol or methanol) to extract the bioactives, thereby eliminating the need to use any solvents during the extraction process. This environmentally friendly, clean process can be applied to extract a wide range of compounds for use in nutraceuticals, cosmetics, flavourings, colourings, pharmaceuticals, functional foods and beverages.

About Mazza Innovation

Mazza Innovation specializes in extracting bioactive compounds, including polyphenols, alkaloids, glycosides and specialty carbohydrates — ideal ingredients for functional foods, dietary supplements, natural food colourings and flavourings, and beauty products. Mazza's ingredients are 100% plant extracts that are free of any carrier compounds or residual solvents. Based in Vancouver, Canada, Mazza's portfolio of award-winning ingredients gives manufacturers the opportunity to tap into consumer demand for clean-label products — benefiting our health while preserving a healthy planet. <https://www.mazzainnovation.com/>

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