Novel food: Chia seed

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2214 as regards the conditions of use and the specifications of the novel foods partially defatted chia seed (*Salvia hispanica*) powders

What is changing and why?

The company Functional Products Trading Arica S.A./BENEXIA has gained EU approval to sell chia seed powders for use in cakes and pastries, processed fruit and vegetables (including vegetable-based dishes), bread and rolls, pasta-based products, and protein products. The approval is based on an EFSA evaluation.

Timeline

Trading Arica S.A./BENEXIA has exclusive rights until November 2028 to sell chia seed powders for use in these specific products.

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