

# RETEXTURING ACTIVATOR

This revolutionary resurfacing and replenishing serum surpasses the results of a 20% daily glycolic treatment while simultaneously reinforcing the skin's barrier for healthier, more radiant skin. Retexturing Activator harnesses two polar mechanisms — exfoliation and hydration — to activate skin's regeneration response, visibly diminishing surface lines and transforming skin's fabric into a smoother, softer texture.

Using patent-pending technology, this unique treatment contains a 25% concentration of a paradoxical compound discovered to be highly effective at promoting cell differentiation while optimizing the skin's amino acid supply to reinforce the barrier, resulting in the most efficient epidermal renewal. Potent without harsh side effects, Retexturing Activator is formulated in an efficient, oil-free delivery system suitable for all skin types.



## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

### 25% Hydroxyethyl Urea/Aminosulfonic Acid Compound

- Normalizes epidermal renewal to resurface the skin
- Stimulates enzymes (proteases) that help break down corneodesmosomes to promote desquamation
- Promotes cell differentiation, encouraging new cell migration to the skin's surface
- Replenishes moisture levels critical for efficient cell differentiation and desquamation
- Reinforces skin's barrier by optimizing the amino acid supply, a key element of skin's natural moisturizing factor (NMF)

### Kombuchka

- Smooths skin
- Improves radiance and skin tone

### Hyaluronic Acid

- Provides a non-irritating, hydrating base

## USAGE AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Daily exfoliation and hydration
- Dry, dull, dehydrated skin
- Aging skin
- Acneic skin
- Before non-invasive rejuvenating procedures (e.g. laser, microdermabrasion, peels)

## APPLICATION

Twice daily, apply 4-6 drops to face, neck, and chest, or as directed by a skincare professional.

## PRODUCT LINKS

- All SkinCeuticals cleansers and toners
- All SkinCeuticals antioxidants
- Hydrating B5 Gel
- Retinol 0.5 and 1.0
- Clarifying Clay Masque

## NOTES

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### RETAIL SIZE

Size	30 ml / 1 fl oz
SKU #	32700



### PROFESSIONAL SIZE

Size	55 ml / 1.9 fl oz
SKU #	32702

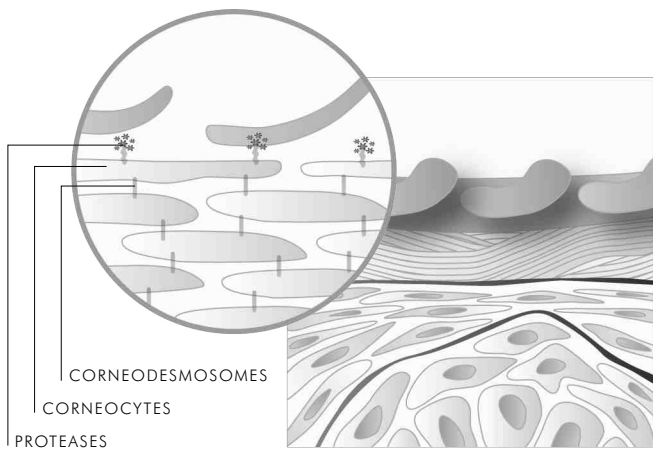
## BACKGROUND

In young, healthy skin, the desquamation cycle takes approximately 28 days.

At the beginning of the cycle, each basal keratinocyte divides into two identical daughter cells. One remains behind to divide again while the other differentiates, migrating through the epidermis toward the stratum corneum where it becomes a corneocyte.

Corneocytes contain proteins (primarily keratin) and water soluble substances (including urea, filaggrin, and amino acids). These components provide the proper hydration and make up the natural moisturizing factor (NMF) that helps reinforce the skin's barrier function, preventing irritation, dehydration, and damage.

As cells migrate upwards, enzymes break down corneodesmosomes (the links) holding them together, allowing older corneocytes to naturally detach from the surface in a process called desquamation.



Sometimes this process is inefficient in certain skin types:

- **Aging Skin:** Cell differentiation and desquamation slow down significantly with age, increasing the epidermal renewal cycle to approximately 45 days, causing skin to appear dull and rough.
- **Dehydrated/Dry Skin:** Impaired barrier function leads to a flaky, coarse texture.
- **Acneic Skin:** As dead skin cells detach, they clump together and clog pores.

Some chemical exfoliants or physical scrubs provide supplemental exfoliation. However, they further disrupt the skin's barrier – causing irritation and leading to excessive dryness.

Retexturing Activator reinforces the skin's barrier for healthy, efficient epidermal desquamation and regeneration.

## KEY INGREDIENTS

Results based on *in-vivo*, *in-vitro*, and clinical testing

### HYDROXYETHYL UREA/ AMINOSULFONIC ACID COMPOUND

- Helps improve skin texture and limit roughness by stimulating the enzymes (proteases) that help break down corneodesmosomes to promote desquamation
- Normalizes epidermal renewal and combats signs of aging
- Promotes cell differentiation, encouraging cell migration to the skin's surface
- Reinforces skin's barrier by balancing and optimizing the amino acid supply, a key element of skin's natural moisturizing factor (NMF)
- Diffuses into the stratum corneum to replenish moisture levels critical for efficient differentiation and desquamation
- Alleviates the clinical signs of dryness
- Proven *in-vivo* to be as powerful an exfoliant as glycolic acid, but without the associated irritation

### KOMBUCHKA (BLACK TEA FERMENT)

- Product of the fermentation of sweet black tea by the symbiosis of two microorganisms
- Improves overall skin quality by enhancing skin smoothness, radiance, and clarity through lipo-filling
- Known for antioxidant activity

### HYALURONIC ACID (SODIUM HYALURONATE\*)

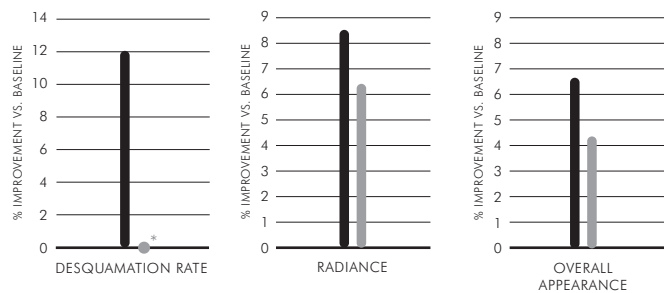
- Natural humectant with excellent water-binding capabilities
- Provides a non-irritating, hydrating base
- Ability to retain water gives immediate smoothness to rough skin
- Occurs naturally in the dermis

\*Sodium hyaluronate is the salt of hyaluronic acid which occurs naturally; we use sodium hyaluronate because it is water soluble.

## Retexturing Activator vs. 20% Glycolic Daily-Use Treatment

### Dermatologist Controlled 4-Week Results

■ Retexturing Activator  
■ 20% Glycolic Daily-Use Treatment



Retexturing Activator surpasses the results of a 20% glycolic daily-use treatment without the associated irritation.