

Patch helps keep biting mosquitoes at bay

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When it comes to dealing with mosquitoes, one generally has two options: drench yourself in potentially harmful (and often ineffective) repellent or suck it up.

But California-based start-up Olfactor Laboratories has developed a sticker that the company claims can make wearers virtually invisible to mosquitoes.

Dubbed the Kite Patch, the sticker reportedly uses nontoxic materials to block mosquitoes from detecting the carbon dioxide omitted in our breath -- the means by which the bugs usually track us.

"When you wear Kite, the product makes you practically invisible to mosquitoes," said Dr. Michelle Brown, the project's chief researcher, in an Indigogo video. "And we've been able to accomplish this using food-grade FDA approved compounds, removing the need to use toxic and dangerous chemicals that are currently found in today's products."

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