

activated charcoal capsules

PROPRIETARY NAME AND DOSAGE FORM

Clicks Activated Charcoal Capsules

COMPOSITION

Each Clicks Activated Charcoal Capsule contains 160 mg activated charcoal

Excipients: Maize starch, magnesium stearate, silicon dioxide

Clicks Activated Charcoal Capsules are sugar free and preservative free

PHARMACOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION

Complementary Medicine
Health supplement, Other

PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTION

Activated charcoal serves as a gastric decontaminant agent. It is an inert substance and is not absorbed from the gastro-intestinal tract. Activated charcoal contributes to reducing excessive flatulence after eating. Activated charcoal supports digestion.

INDICATIONS

Clicks Activated Charcoal is indicated to support digestion and reduce flatulence. Activated charcoal is known to assist in alleviating cramps, bloating diarrhoea, gas and indigestion.

Charcoal is naturally rich in carbon and its naturally large surface area may inhibit the gastrointestinal absorption of harmful substances.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

There are no known absolute contraindications to the use of activated charcoal however, it is not advised if patients suffer from kidney or liver problems; were poisoned by strong acids, alkalis, cyanide, iron salts or certain solvents; if a toxic substance with diuretic properties or alcohol, was ingested, or if the patient requires an endoscopy. It should be used with caution in patients who have ingested corrosive agents since the activated charcoal may obscure endoscopic visualisation of oesophageal and gastric lesions caused by the corrosive. The use of a cathartic with activated charcoal is not advised if a patient has significant fluid or electrolyte abnormalities.

WARNINGS AND SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

The ingestion of activated charcoal will produce black stools. These stools may be diarrhoeic and may persist for several hours.

Activated charcoal should be used with caution in children or individuals with malabsorption conditions since it may interfere with the absorption of nutrients.

Activated charcoal may interact with other medicines.

The product is not recommended for long-term use.

If the individual is on any medication or diagnosed with any medical condition, please contact your healthcare provider before using this product. Discontinue use immediately if any adverse reactions occur. Do not use if you are pregnant or lactating. Do not exceed the recommended dosage.

The ingestion of activated charcoal may result in a profound cathartic effect and proper attention should be given to the patient's fluid and electrolyte requirements. If multiple doses are given caution should be exercised and fluid and electrolyte levels should be carefully monitored as dehydration, hypotension and significant electrolyte and fluid abnormalities may occur. Gastrointestinal obstruction from activated charcoal may occur because of the anti-peristaltic effects of the ingestion of certain drugs e.g.: anticholinergics, opioids.

Effects on ability to drive vehicles and use machinery

Activated Charcoal should not impair the ability of the recipient to drive vehicles and operate machinery.

INTERACTIONS

Activated charcoal should not be used with oral emetics or oral antidotes.

Ideally, a two-hour gap should be allowed before or after taking supplements or other medication.

PREGNANCY AND BREASTFEEDING

Safety and efficacy during pregnancy and lactation have not been established.

Healthcare practitioner to be consulted before taking activated charcoal during pregnancy and lactation.

DOSAGE AND DIRECTIONS FOR USE

One to two capsules up to three times a day after meals with a glass of water, or as recommended by the healthcare practitioner.

SIDE EFFECTS

In the case of the following serious allergic reactions, a medical practitioner must immediately be consulted, or the patient should go to the emergency department at the nearest hospital:

- Swelling of the hands, feet, ankles, face, lips, mouth or throat which may cause difficulty in swallowing or breathing.
- Rash or itching
- Fainting

More frequent side effects include black stools and constipation.

Less frequent side effects include headache, hypersensitivity, bezoar formation, intestinal obstruction, intestinal perforation, faecal impaction.

KNOWN SYMPTOMS OF OVERDOSAGE AND PARTICULARS OF ITS TREATMENT

Overdosage requires immediate medical attention. Fluid and electrolyte levels to be monitored. Further doses of activated charcoal to be stopped and treatment is supportive and symptomatic..

IDENTIFICATION

White, plastic container with a white screw on cap containing 60 capsules and a silica gel sachet; packed into a unit carton.

PRESENTATION

White, plastic container with a white screw on cap containing 60 capsules and a silica gel sachet; packed into a unit carton.

STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

Store in a cool, dry place below 25 C, out of direct sunlight.

STORE OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

REGISTRATION NUMBER

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HANDELSNAAM EN DOSERINGSVORM

Clicks se geaktiveerde houtskoolkapsules

SAMESTELLING

Elke Clicks-geaktiveerde houtskoolkapsule bevat 160 mg geaktiveerde houtskool

Hulpstowwe: Mielieblom, magnesiumstearaat, silikondioksied

Clicks se geaktiveerde houtskoolkapsules is suikervry en vry van preservative middels

FARMAKOLOGIESE KLASIFIKASIE

Komplementêre medisyne

Gesondheidsaanvulling, Ander

FARMAKOLOGIESE WERKING

Geaktiveerde houtskool dien as 'n maagontsmettingsmiddel. Dit is 'n trae middel en word nie uit die spysverteringskanal geborsbeer nie. Geaktiveerde houtskool dra by tot die vermindering van oormatige opgeblasenheid na etes. Geaktiveerde houtskool ondersteun spysvertering.

INDIKASIES

Clicks se geaktiveerde houtskoolkapsules kan spysvertering ondersteun en opgeblasenheid verminder. Geaktiveerde houtskool is bekend daarvoor dat dit kramp, opgeblase diarree, winderigheid en slechte spysvertering verlig.

Houtskool is natuurlik ryk aan koolstof en die natuurlike groot oppervlak daarvan mag die spysverteringskanal se absorpsie van skadelike middels moontlik inhibeer.

KONTRA-INDIKASIES

Daar bestaan geen absolute kontra-indikasies vir die gebruik van geaktiveerde houtskool nie. Dit word egter nie aanbeveel wanneer pasiënte nier- of leverprobleme het nie; hulle deur sterk sure, alkali's sianied, ystersoute of sekere oplosmiddels vergiftig is nie; indien 'n giftige middel met diuretiese eienskappe of alkohol ingeneem is nie of indien die pasiënt 'n endoskopie moet kry nie. Dit moet met sorg in pasiënte gebruik word wat bytmiddels ingeneem het, aangesien die geaktiveerde houtskool endoskopiese visualisering van slukderm- en maaggroeisels wat deur die bytmiddel veroorsaak is, kan verber. Die gebruik van 'n purgeermiddel saam met geaktiveerde houtskool is nie raadsaam nie indien 'n pasiënt met beduidende vloeistof- of elektrolytabnormaliteite presenteer.

WAARSUKWINGS EN SPESIALE VOORSORGMAATREËLS

Die innname van geaktiveerde houtskool sal swart stoelgange veroorsaak. Hierdie stoelgange kan diarreties wees en etlike ure lank duur.

Geaktiveerde houtskool moet met omsigtigheid gebruik word by kinders of individue wat aan wanabsorpsietoestande ly, aangesien die koolstof met die absorpsie van noodsaklike voedingstowwe kan inmeng.

Geaktiveerde houtskool kan op ander medisyne reageer.

Die produk word nie vir langtermyngebruik aanbeveel nie.

Indien die individu enige medikasie neem of met enige mediese toestand gediagnoseer is, kontak jou gesondheidsorgverskaffer voordat u hierdie produk gebruik. Staak die gebruik onmiddellik indien enige negatiewe reaksies voorkom. Moet dit nie neem as u swanger is of borsvoed nie. Moenie die aanbevole dosis oorskry nie.

Die innname van geaktiveerde houtskool kan tot 'n belangrike bytmiddeleffek lei, en noukeurige aandag moet aan die pasiënt se vloeistof- en elektrolytvliektes gegee word. Indien meervoudige dosisse toegedien word, moet met omsigtigheid opgetree en vloeistof- en elektrolytvlike noukeurig gemoniteer word, aangesien ontwatering, hipotensie en beduidende vloeistof- en elektrolyt-abnormaliteite kan voorkom. Obstruksie van die spysverteringskanal kan voorkom as gevolg van die anti-peristaltiese uitwerkings van die innname van sekere dwelms soos anticholinergiese middels, opioïede.

Uitwerkings op vermoë om voertuie te bestuur en masjinerie te gebruik

Geaktiveerde houtskool behoort nie die ontvanger se vermoë om voertuie te bestuur en masjinerie te hanter, in te perk nie.

INTERAKSIES

Geaktiveerde houtskool moenie met mondlike brakmiddels of mondlike teengifmiddels gebruik word nie.

Ideaalgesproke moet 'n verpozing van twee uur toegelaat word voordat of nadat aanvullings of ander medikasie geneem word.

SWANGERSKAP EN BORSVOEDING

Veiligheid en doeltreffendheid tydens swangerskap en borsvoeding is nog nie bevestig nie.

Raadpleeg die gesondheidsorgpraktisy voordat u geaktiveerde houtskool tydens swangerskap en borsvoeding neem.

DOSERING EN GEBRUIKSAANWYSINGS

Een tot twee kapsules tot drie maal per dag met 'n glas water na etes of soos aanbeveel deur die gesondheidsorgpraktisy.

NEWE-EFFEKTE

In die geval van die volgende ernstige allergiese reaksies moet 'n mediese praktisy onmiddellik geraadpleeg word of die pasiënt moet na die ongevalleafdeling van die naaste hospitaal gaan:

- Swelling van die hande, voete, enkels, gesig, lippe, mond of keel wat kan veroorsaak dat u sukkel om te sluk of asem te haal.
- Uitslag of 'n gejeuk
- Floute

Newe-effekte wat meer dikwels voorkom, is swart stoelgange en hardlywigheid.

Newe-effekte wat minder gereeld voorkom, sluit in hoofpyn, hypersensitiwiteit, besoarvorming, ingewandsobstruksie, ingewandsperforasie, fekale impak.

BEKENDE SIMPTOME VAN OORDOSERING EN BESONDERHEDDE VAN DIE BEHANDELING DAARVAN

'n Oordosis verg onmiddellike mediese aandag. Vloeistof- en elektrolytvlike moet gemoniteer word. Verdere dosisse van geaktiveerde houtskool moet gestaak word, en behandeling is ondersteunend en simptomaties.

IDENTIFISERING

Deursigtige, harde kapsule-omhulsels bevat 'n smaklose, reuklose swart poeier.

AANBIEDING

Wit plastiekhouer met 'n wit draaiplaat wat 60 kapsules en 'n silikajelsakkie bevat; dit word in 'n eenheidskartonhouer verpak.

BEWARINGSINSTRUKSIES

Bêre in 'n koel, droë plek onder 25 °C, uit direkte sonlig.

HOU BUISTE BEREIK VAN KINDERS

Moet aangekondig word

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Moet aangekondig word

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