

PROPRIETARY NAME AND DOSAGE FORM:

Activated Charcoal (CAPSULES)

COMPOSITION:

Each capsule for oral administration, contains activated charcoal.

PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTION:

Activated charcoal binds to various substances, and is traditionally used to treat poisons and the overdose of medications.

The following is a list of medications that can bind to activated charcoal

- Acetaminophen.
- Aspirin.
- Antipsychotics and some antidepressants.
- Birth control pills.
- Digoxin.
- Theophylline.
- NSAID'S and other OTC anti-inflammatories

NOTE Activated charcoal will not bind to alkalis (lye) and strong acids, iron, boric acid, lithium, petroleum products (e.g., cleaning fluid, coal oil, fuel oil, gasoline, kerosene, paint thinner), or alcohols

INDICATIONS:

- Intake of poisonous substance or overdose of medication. Most effective when taken within 1 hour of exposure to compound.
- Poor kidney function. Activated charcoal can absorb some of the toxins that should be cleared by the kidneys, hence relieving the toxic load on kidneys.
- Flatulence, activated charcoal can aid in the relief of excessive flatulence
- Possible lowering of cholesterol
- Possible relief from diarrhoea

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

There are no contra indications if taken as directed.

WARNING:

Take 2 hours before or after taking any prescribed medicine. Chronic or acute.

DOSAGE AND DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

Take 6 capsules at least 2 hours apart from any other medication. **If given to counter toxin intake. Give 6 – 12 capsules immediately.**

SIDE EFFECTS AND SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS:

No known side effects apart from possible black stools.

KNOWN SYMPTOMS OF OVERDOSE AND PARTICULARS OF TREATMENT

If adverse effects are shown, cease use and consult physician

IDENTIFICATION:

Activated Charcoal capsules is a black powder encapsulated in a size 00 white capsule.

PRESENTATION:

Activated Charcoal CAPSULES packed in a sealed bag of 180 capsules

STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS:

Store at or below 25 °C **IN ORIGINAL PACKAGING** and protect from light and moisture. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.**

Complementary medication. This unregistered medicine has not been evaluated by SAHPRA for its quality, safety or intended use.

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