

# GASTROPAX,

## powder for oral solution

Calcium carbonate, Magnesium trisilicate, Light magnesium carbonate, Heavy kaolin, Sodium bicarbonate, Magnesium hydroxide, Tricalcic phosphate.

### 1 - WHEN TO USE THIS MEDICINE

This medicine is recommended in the pains and heatburn of oesophagus or in the pains, and heartburn of stomach.

### 2 - WARNING! WHEN NOT TO USE THIS MEDICINE

This medicine must not be taken in case of :

- known hypersensitivity to any of its constituents,
- severe renal disease,
- hypercalcaemia (abnormally high level of calcium in the blood).

In general, this medicine must not be used in association with quinidinic. If in doubt, you must ask the advice of your doctor or pharmacist.

#### Special warnings

If the disorders persist after 10 days of treatment, if the pains are associated with fever, vomiting, it is appropriate to consult your doctor.

#### Precautions

Avoid tobacco, alcoholic drinks, too spiced meals, stress or certain medicines (aspirin, anti-inflammatory medicines) which may lead to burns or heartburn of the stomach.

In case of renal disease or chronic dialysis, consult your doctor.

In case of salt-free or low-salt diet, the sodium content must be taken into account (164 mg per teaspoon).

In doubt, do not hesitate to ask the advice of your doctor or pharmacist.

### Medicine interactions and other interactions

In order to prevent possible interactions between several medicines, in particular with quinidinic, you must systematically inform your doctor or pharmacist of any other undergoing treatment.

Antiacids can decrease the effect of many other medicines. By precaution, it is advisable to respect an interval of 2 hours between intake of an antiacid and another medicine.

#### Pregnancy - breast-feeding

In general, the use of this medicine during pregnancy should be avoided. If you discover you are pregnant during the treatment, you should consult your doctor who will decide if you can take this medicine.

This medicine can be taken during breast-feeding if necessary.

As a matter of general principle, you should always ask the advice of your doctor or pharmacist before taking any medicine if you are pregnant or breast-feeding.

### 3 - HOW TO USE THIS MEDICINE

**Dosage**  
Mix 1 teaspoon with a glass of water when appearance of pains (do not take more than 6 intakes a day).

It is usually useless to exceed this dosage. If it is not enough to ease your pain, consult your doctor.

This medicine was personally given to you in a precise situation :

- It can be not adapted to another case.
- Do not recommend it to another person.

**Method and route of administration**  
Oral use.

### 4 - UNDESIRABLE AND TROUBLESOME EFFECTS

In common with all active substances, this medicine may cause troublesome effects of varying degrees in certain individuals :

- transit disorders (constipation/diarrhoea),
- in case of high doses and long-term use,

risk of decrease of the quantity of phosphorus in the organism, renal calculus and serious renal disorders can occur. Tell your doctor or pharmacist about any other undesirable and troublesome effect not mentioned in this packaging leaflet.

### 5 - STORAGE

Do not use after the expiry date shown on the outer packaging.

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### 6 - QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

#### The active substances are :

Calcium carbonate	20 g.
Magnesium trisilicate	20 g.
Light magnesium carbonate	20 g.
Heavy kaolin	15 g.
Sodium bicarbonate	15 g.
Magnesium hydroxide	6 g.
Tricalcic phosphate	3 g.

Excipient : tincture of star anise.

For 100 g of powder for oral solution.

One teaspoon contains 4 g of powder i.e. 360 mg of calcium, 392 mg of magnesium and 164 mg of sodium.

#### Pharmaceutical form

Powder for oral solution, box of 100 g.

#### Pharmacotherapeutic group

ANTIACID (A : Digestive system and metabolism).

