

# Drug Information Sheet("Kusuri-no-Shiori")

Internal

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The information on this sheet is based on approvals granted by the Japanese regulatory authority. Approval details may vary by country. Medicines have adverse reactions (risks) as well as efficacies (benefits). It is important to minimize adverse reactions and maximize efficacy. To obtain a better therapeutic response, patients should understand their medication and cooperate with the treatment.

**Brand name:** TSUMURA Shakuyakukanzoto Extract Granules for Ethical

## Use

**Active ingredient:** Shakuyakukanzoto

**Dosage form:** light grayish brown granules

**Imprint or print on wrapping:** ツムラ芍薬甘草湯(シャクヤクカンゾウトウ)2.5 g 「68」



## Effects of this medicine

This Kampo (Japanese traditional herbal) medicine has been prescribed according to your symptoms and constitution. It is usually used to treat myalgia or arthralgia, gastric pain and abdominal pain accompanied by sudden muscle spasms.

## The following patients may need to be careful when using this medicine. Be sure to tell your doctor and pharmacist.

- If you have previously experienced any allergic reactions (itch, rash, etc.) to any medicines or foods.
- If you have aldosteronism, hypokalemia or myopathy.
- If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- If you are taking any other medicinal products. (Some medicines may interact to enhance or diminish medicinal effects. Beware of over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements as well as other prescription medicines.)

## Dosing schedule (How to take this medicine)

- Your dosing schedule prescribed by your doctor is(( to be written by a healthcare professional))
- In general, for adults, take 7.5 g a day orally in 2 or 3 divided doses with cold or lukewarm water before or between meals. The dosage may be adjusted according to your age, body weight and symptoms. Strictly follow your instructions. Since this medicine is to be taken only when symptoms appear, consult with your doctor or pharmacist if the symptoms persist
- If you miss a dose, take the missed dose as soon as possible. However, if the next dose is within two hours, skip the missed dose and continue with your regular dosing schedule. You should not take two doses at one time.
- If you accidentally take more than your prescribed dose, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.
- Do not stop taking this medicine unless your doctor instructs you to do so.

## Precautions while taking this medicine

## Possible adverse reactions to this medicine

The most commonly reported adverse reactions include rash, redness, itching, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. If any of these symptoms occur, consult with your doctor or pharmacist.

**The symptoms described below are rarely seen as initial symptoms of the adverse reactions indicated in brackets. If any of these symptoms occur, stop taking this medicine and see your doctor immediately.**

- fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing [interstitial pneumonia]
- decreased urine output, edema of face and limbs, heavy feeling in the eyelids, hand stiffness [pseudoaldosteronism]
- palpitations, shortness of breath, body dullness, dizziness [congestive heart failure, ventricular fibrillation, ventricular tachycardia]
- body dullness, weakness, cramp and numbness of limbs. limbs cramp and feel numb, muscle pain [myopathy, rhabdomyolysis]
- body dullness, yellowing of the skin and the white of eyes [liver dysfunction]

**The above symptoms do not describe all the adverse reactions to this medicine. Consult with your doctor or pharmacist if you notice any symptoms of concern other than those listed above.**

## Storage conditions and other information

- Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from direct sunlight, heat and moisture.
- Discard the remainder. Do not store them.

## For healthcare professional use only / /

For further information, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.