

Composition: DIACOL contains 27 mg dextromethorphan hydrobromide per 15 mL of syrup.

Excipients: Sucrose, anhydrous citric acid, methyl-paraben; liquid orange flavour; ethanol 96%, purified water.

Pharmaceutical form: Syrup.

Pharmacotherapeutic category: Antitussive.

Indications: Symptomatic treatment of non-productive cough due to irritation of upper and lower respiratory airways.

Contraindications: Contraindications are the diseases or situations in which a certain medicine should not be taken. DIACOL is contraindicated in case of allergies (hypersensitivity) to any of the ingredients. Do not use in case of cough with sputum production. Do not take DIACOL if you are taking medicines belonging to the class of monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAO):

Side effects: Side effects are those unwanted effects, which may occur when taking a certain medicine. Usually, side effects due to DIACOL are rare, and may appear as slight gastrointestinal disturbances, namely nausea and vomiting, stomach pains, drowsiness and vertigo.

Interactions: Interaction is the influence a medicine may have on the activity of other medicines or on laboratory test results. You should not use, concomitantly, DIACOL with monoamine (MAO) oxidase inhibitors. An interval of 14 days should be respected between withdrawal of monoamine oxidase inhibitors and DIACOL intake.

If you are taking medicines acting upon the central nervous system, their effects may be enhanced by DIACOL.

There may be an increased risk of adverse reactions if DIACOL is taken concomitantly with quinidine, fluoxetine, paroxetine and venlafaxine.

Special warnings for use: DIACOL should be used with caution in patients with bronchial asthma or allergies. And also in debilitated patients or in patients with hepatic disease.

If cough persists for over a week, reappears or is accompanied by high fever, skin eruption or strong headache, consult your doctor.

This medicine contains 121.64 g sucrose per 200 mL of syrup. A 15 mL-dose contains approximately 9.1 g sucrose. Do not use in case of inherited fructose intolerance, glucose-galactose malabsorption syndrome or sucrose / isomaltase deficiency.

DIACOL contains 2.75 g of ethanol 96% per 200 mL of syrup.

A 15 mL-dose contains approximately 0.20 g of ethanol 96%. Harmful for those suffering from liver disease, alcoholism, epilepsy, brain injury or disease, as well as for pregnant women and children. May modify or increase the effect of other medicines.

Pregnancy and lactation: DIACOL is not recommended during pregnancy or lactation.

Effects on the ability to drive: At the recommended doses, as given in this leaflet, it does not impair the ability to drive and use machines.

Dosage and administration: Unless your doctor advises otherwise, DIACOL should be taken as follows:

Adults and adolescents: 15 ml every 6 or 8 hours. Maximum daily dose is 60 mL.

Children 2 to 12 years: dosage according to medical prescription. Children aged 6 to 12 years old, maximum daily dose is 30 mL; children aged 2 to 6 years old, maximum daily dose is 15 mL

Children 2 to 6 years: 3 to 4 ml every 6 or 8 hours. Maximum daily dose is 15 mL.

Children under 2 years: Not recommended for this age group. DIACOL may be administered every 4 hours, reducing the amount of syrup per intake, not exceeding the maximum daily dose. Do not exceed the recommended doses or use for long periods.

Take it alone or diluted in a small amount of water.

Overdosage or intoxication: Seek for professional assistance or contact a Poison Control Centre immediately in case of massive overdosage. You may notice digestive or central nervous system disturbances that require urgent treatment.

Warnings: DIACOL contains sucrose and ethanol (see special warnings of use).

DIACOL is a non-prescription medicine. Inform your doctor or pharmacist in the event of adverse effects not described in this leaflet occurring.

Check the expiry date specified on the box. Keep out of the reach of children.

Presentation: DIACOL is available as syrup, in 200 mL-bottles.

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