

Please read carefully the whole package insert before use.  
It contains important information concerning your treatment  
For any other questions or if in any doubt, ask your doctor or your pharmacist for further information.  
This drug was personally prescribed to you. Never give it to someone else, even with identical symptoms, because that could be harmful to him.  
Keep this leaflet, you may need to read it again.

**TOXICARB<sup>®</sup>**  
**Oral suspension**  
Activated charcoal

- The active substance is : activated charcoal.
- The excipients are : propylene glycol, glycerol, sucrose (in liquid form), purified water.

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**1. WHAT IS TOXICARB, oral suspension AND WHEN TO USE THIS DRUG ?**

TOXICARB, oral suspension is used in the treatment of drugs poisoning or drugs overdose. It adsorbs toxic compounds and prevents their blood diffusion.

**2. USEFUL INFORMATION BEFORE TAKING TOXICARB, oral suspension**

**TOXICARB, oral suspension, MUST NOT BE USED in these cases :**  
Intoxication by corrosive products.

**Special precautions for use with TOXICARB, oral suspension :**  
Shake before use.

Because of the presence of lactose, this drug should not be used in case of fructose intolerance, glucose and galactose malabsorption syndrome, or sucrase-isomaltase deficiency (rare metabolic diseases).

**Pregnancy and breast-feeding :**  
*Ask your doctor or your pharmacist for advice before taking any drug.*

**List of excipients with known effect :**  
Glycerol, solution of sucrose.

**Taking other drugs :**

Activated charcoal adsorbs a large range of products. In case of repeated administration to patients under medical treatment, it may reduce activity of drugs, even of those that have been taken by mouth.

*Please inform your doctor or your pharmacist if you take or have taken any other drug recently, even if it is a non prescription drug.*

**3. HOW TO TAKE TOXICARB, oral suspension ?**

By oral route.

#### Children :

It is recommended to take into consideration the gastric capacity.

Usually, the dosage is 1 g per kg body-weight (i.e. about 5 mL of suspension/kg).

In case of severe intoxication or belated treatment, the dose can be repeated 4 to 6 hours later if necessary (ask the AntiPoison Center for advice).

*If you feel that the effect of TOXICARB, oral suspension, is too strong or too slight, consult your doctor or your pharmacist.*

#### Adults :

The dose is 50 g of activated charcoal suspension.

In case of severe intoxication or belated treatment, repeated doses of 25 to 50 g may be necessary every 4 to 6 hours during a period of 48 h after initial treatment (ask the AntiPoison Center for advice).

#### **If you have taken more TOXICARB, oral suspension that you should do :**

*Consult immediatly your doctor or your pharmacist.*

#### **If you have forgotten to take TOXICARB, oral suspension :**

*Do not take a double dose in compensation of the dose that has been forgotten.*

#### **4. WHAT ARE THE POSSIBLE ADVERSE REACTIONS ?**

- vomiting (in case of too fast administration of high doses of activated charcoal),
- constipation,
- possible black coloration of faeces.

#### **5. HOW TO STORE TOXICARB, oral suspension ?**

There is no special condition for storage.

*Keep out of the reach and the sight of children.*

*Do not exceed the expiry date mentioned on the packaging.*

*The last update of this package insert is : 12 november 2007.*