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- Kampo-preparation-

TSUMURA Saikokeishikankyoto Extract Granules for Ethical Use

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Storage
Store in light-resistant, air-tight containers.

Expiration date
Use before the expiration date indicated on the container and the outer package.

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DESCRIPTION

Composition	7.5 g of TSUMURA Saikokeishikankyoto extract granules contains 3.5 g of a dried extract of the following mixed crude drugs. JP Bupleurum Root ..... 6.0 g JP Scutellaria Root ..... 3.0 g JP Trichosanthes Root ..... 3.0 g JP Cinnamon Bark …..... 3.0 g JP Oyster Shell ..... 3.0 g JP Processed Ginger ..... 2.0 g JP Glycyrrhiza ..... 2.0 g (JP: The Japanese Pharmacopoeia)	
	Inactive ingredients	JP Magnesium Stearate JP Lactose Hydrate
Description	Dosage form	Granules
	Color	Light brown
	Smell	Characteristic smell
	Taste	Pungent and astringent
	ID code	TSUMURA/11

INDICATIONS

Saikokeishikankyoto is indicated for the relief of the following symptoms of those patients with a weak constitution, slight oversensitivity to cold, slight anemia, palpitation, shortness of breath, and nervousness:

Climacteric disturbance, automatic imbalance syndrome peculiar to women resembling climacteric disturbance, neurosis, and insomnia

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

The usual adult dose is 7.5 g/day orally in 2 or 3 divided doses before or between meals. The dosage may be adjusted according to the patient's age and body weight, and symptoms.

PRECAUTIONS

1. Important Precautions

(1) When this product is used, the patient's "SHO" (constitution/symptoms) should be taken into account. The patient's progress should be carefully monitored, and if no improvement in symptoms/findings is observed, continuous treatment should be avoided.

(2) Since this product contains Glycyrrhiza, careful attention should be paid to the serum potassium level, blood pressure, etc., and if any abnormality is observed, administration should be discontinued.

(3) When this product is coadministered with other Kampo-preparations (Japanese traditional herbal medicines), etc., attention should be paid to the duplication of the contained crude drugs.

SHO: The term "SHO" refers to a particular pathological status of a patient evaluated by the Kampo diagnosis, and is patterned according to the patient's constitution, symptoms, etc. Kampo-preparations (Japanese traditional herbal medicines) should be used after confirmation that it is suitable for the identified "SHO" of the patient.

2. Drug Interactions

Precautions for coadministration (Saikokeishikankyoto should be administered with care when coadministered with the following drugs.)

Drugs	Signs, Symptoms, and Treatment	Mechanism and Risk Factors
(1) Preparations containing Glycyrrhiza (2) Preparations containing glycyrrhizinic acid or glycyrrhizinates	Pseudoaldosteronism is likely to occur. Besides, myopathy is likely to occur as a result of hypokalemia. (Refer to the section "Clinically significant adverse reactions".)	Since glycyrrhizinic acid has an accelerating action on the potassium excretion at the renal tubules, an acceleration of decrease in the serum potassium level has been suggested.

3. Adverse Reactions

This product has not been investigated (drug use investigations, etc.) to determine the incidence of adverse reactions. Therefore, the incidence of adverse reactions is not known.

(1) Clinically significant adverse reactions

1) Interstitial pneumonia: If fever, cough, dyspnea, abnormal pulmonary sound (fine crackle), etc. are observed, administration of this product should be discontinued, and examinations such as X-ray should be performed immediately and appropriate measures such as administration of adrenocortical hormones taken. Besides, the patient should be advised to discontinue this product immediately and to make contact with the physician in the event of fever, cough, dyspnea, etc.

2) Pseudoaldosteronism: Pseudoaldosteronism such as hypokalemia, increased blood pressure, retention of sodium/body fluid, edema, increased body weight, etc. may occur. The patient should be carefully monitored (measurement of serum potassium level, etc.), and if any abnormality is observed, administration should be discontinued and appropriate measures such as administration of potassium preparations should be taken.

3) Myopathy: Myopathy may occur as a result of hypokalemia. The patient should be carefully monitored, and if any abnormality such as weakness, convulsion/paralysis of limbs, etc. are observed, administration should be discontinued and appropriate measures such as administration of potassium preparations should be taken.

4) Hepatic dysfunction and jaundice: Hepatic dysfunction and/or jaundice with remarkable elevation of AST (GOT), ALT (GPT), Al-P and γ-GTP or other symptoms may occur. The patient should be carefully monitored for abnormal findings. Administration should be discontinued and appropriate therapeutic measures should be taken, if abnormalities are observed.

(2) Other adverse reactions

	Incidence unknown
Hypersensitivity Note 1)	Rash, Redness, Pruritus, etc.

Note 1) In the event of such symptoms, administration should be discontinued.

4. Use in the Elderly

Because elderly patients often have reduced physiological function, careful supervision and measures such as reducing the dose are recommended.

5. Use during Pregnancy, Delivery or Lactation

The safety of this product in pregnant women has not been established. Therefore, the product should be used in pregnant women, women who may possibly be pregnant only if the expected therapeutic benefits outweigh the possible risks associated with treatment.

6. Pediatric Use

The safety of this product in children has not been established. [Insufficient clinical data.]

PACKAGING

Bottles of 500 g and boxes of 5 kg (500 g × 10 bottles)
2.5 g × 42 packets
2.5 g × 189 packets

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