

Prima Uña de Gato

hypoallergenic



Item #75040 - 90 Vegetarian Capsules
Item #75080 - 1 fl. oz. (30 ml)

The Possible Benefits of Prima Uña de Gato, a Dietary Supplement

- May help modulate and support immune function
 - Free of tetracyclic oxindole alkaloids (TOAs)
 - May provide antioxidant activity, support circulation, and promote microbial balance
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Description

Prima Uña de Gato contains cat's claw (*Uncaria tomentosa*) extract standardised to a minimum of 0.5% pentacyclic oxindole alkaloids (POAs), and is 100% free of tetracyclic oxindole alkaloids (TOAs). Research suggests that the active POAs may affect the immune cells responsible for nonspecific and cellular immunity. Prima Uña de Gato also contains quinovic acid glycosides, the natural compounds upon which synthetic quinolones are based. Cat's claw has been used to help promote systemic microbial balance, and is thought to support antioxidant activity and circulation. Prima Uña de Gato contains added minerals and enzymes to enhance absorption and activity.

Cat's claw, has long been used by indigenous healers in the rainforests of the Peruvian Andes and elsewhere in South America. In recent times it has been studied for its ability to support gastrointestinal and immune functions. Research suggests that in the gastrointestinal tract it can support healthy microbial balance and soothe irritated tissue. Research shows it has antioxidant properties, and it may support circulation by strengthening capillaries.

Prima Uña de Gato is standardised from whole bark, manufactured using a proprietary process that does not involve the use of solvents. Regular cat's claw contains both pentacyclic oxindole alkaloids (POAs) and tetracyclic oxindole alkaloids (TOAs), whereas Prima Uña de Gato is standardised to 0.5% POAs, and is 100% free of TOAs. Regular cat's claw typically has a total alkaloid content of 3.0%, with up to 20-25% of that alkaloid content in the form of TOAs.

Why is it important that Prima Uña de Gato extract is free of TOAs? TOAs are chemical antagonists that act upon the central nervous system and can greatly inhibit the positive effect

of the POAs. The immune enhancement effects of POAs are diminished when the two chemotypes are mixed. Prima Uña de Gato, containing only POAs, may have more benefit for immune enhancement than a standard cat's claw containing both pentacyclic and tetracyclic alkaloids.

The POAs are the active ingredients that provide the principal immunomodulating and immunostimulating activity, and are actively involved in the functional mechanisms of both innate and acquired immunity. In addition, Prima Uña de Gato contains quinovic acid glycosides, the natural compounds upon which the synthetic antibiotic quinolones are based.

When TOA-free cat's claw was introduced into Bulgaria, it quickly became the most widely sold natural remedy in that country. TOA-free chemotype cat's claw has been used by Dr. Atanas Tzonkov in Bulgaria's largest private medical clinic, in the nutritional support for thousands of patients. Also in 2001, the Hungarian National Institute of Pharmacy (OGYI), equivalent to the U.S. FDA, approved TOA-free chemotype cat's claw for over-the-counter use. Eckol and dieckol showed strong inhibition of both NF-kappaB and AP-1 reporter activity, which were well correlated with their abilities to inhibit MMP-1 expression.

Prima Uña de Gato offers a significant advancement in our understanding of the best utilisation of *Uncaria tomentosa*. The Prima Uña de Gato formula is potentiated with minerals and enzymes to support detoxification, and has been clinically tested. Atanas Tzonkov, director of the Lechitel Clinic in Sofia, Bulgaria, has stated that TOA-free chemotype cat's claw can fortify a person's own self-healing power which Nature has built into his spirit, mind and body.

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Each capsule contains:

Magnesium (as Magnesium Malate)	20 mg
Manganese (as Manganese Citrate)	30 µg
Chromium (as Chromium Polynicotinate)	5 µg
Cat's Claw (bark) extract** (standardised to 0.5% POAs)	375 mg
Protease	30000 HUT
Cellulase	1600 CU

Other ingredients: Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose (capsule).

Suggested Use: As a dietary supplement, 1 capsule one to three times daily, on an empty stomach, or as directed by a healthcare practitioner.

Note: Use under medical supervision. Herxheimer reaction may occur. Not recommended for pregnant or nursing women or organ transplant recipients. Sensitive individuals may need to stay with 1 capsule per day for an extended period of time, and increase very gradually.

Item #75080 - 1 fl. oz. (30 ml)

Each 5 drops contain: Proprietary blend 0.25 ml

Cat's Claw (bark) extract** and concentrated trace minerals
In ethanol-water (20-25% ethanol content***)

Suggested Use: As a dietary supplement, 1 to 5 drops one to three times daily, on an empty stomach, or as directed by a healthcare practitioner. Shake well before each use. Put 1 to 5 drops in a glass, then add 4 oz. of pure water and wait one minute before drinking.

Note: Use under medical supervision. Herxheimer reaction may occur. Not recommended for pregnant or nursing women or organ transplant recipients. Sensitive individuals may need to stay with 1 drop per day for an extended period of time, and increase very gradually.

**100% TOA-free.

***Food grade ethanol from potato

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