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## PATIENT INFORMATION LEAFLET

## Colonic transit time measurement with Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers

Please read the information in this leaflet carefully before you begin to take Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers. It contains important information for you. Use Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers as described in this patient information leaflet or according to the instructions from your doctor. Save this information. You may need to read it again.

- VERY IMPORTANT: Make sure to carefully follow the appointment for your X-ray
- VERY IMPORTANT: It is very important to refrain from using any kind of laxatives until your doctor advices you the test is over. Laxatives includes stimulants, bulk-forming fibers, suppositories and saline enemas
- Ask your doctor if you need additional information or advice
- Inform your doctor if you have any allergies before you begin the examination
- This test is not recommended if you are or might be pregnant, since an X-ray of your abdomen is required
- During the test week of the examination, do not change your usual diet (food or drink)
- There are many factors, e.g. diet and medication that can affect the result. Please tell your doctor about any medication you take before you start taking the capsules. He/she advise whether you need to temporarily stop taking other medication
- If you've taken too many or the wrong capsules, or if you've forgotten a capsule or taken it at the wrong time, contact your doctor for advice

### In this patient information leaflet, you'll find information about:

- 1) What is a colonic transit test?
- 2) What's in the capsule?
- 3) What is the process?
- 4) How to store Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers
- 5) Declaration of contents

### 1) What is a colonic transit test?

A colonic transit test with Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers is used by your doctor to diagnose patients with chronic constipation and used in differencing slow and normal constipation. The test shows how quickly food passes through the digestive system. The measurement can also be used in cases of chronic diarrhea in order to ascertain if the disorder is linked to unusually rapid or normal colonic transit. Or, your doctor may provide another method. If that's the case, ask your doctor to indicate the method chosen for you.

### 2) What's in the capsule?

In the box, you'll find a blister pack with radiopaque markers contained in seven (7) capsules. You can see the markers inside the capsule before you swallow it. The capsule dissolves and like pieces of food, the small markers will move through your digestive tract and through your colon. The markers will come out in your stool and are not harmful for you.

#### 3) What is the process?

The X-ray on day seven will help your doctor count the markers still present in your digestive tract and enables your doctor to determine what type of condition you may have and how to treat it. An outpatient appointment to discuss the test result will be made with your doctor.

The table below shows when you should swallow the capsules (if it isn't already stated on your appointment letter) based on the time and date of your X-ray appointment. Times specified below are example only.





Day	1	2	3	4	5	6:1	6:2	7
Time	10am	10am	10am	10am	10am	10am	10pm	10am
Ring-formed markers	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х			
Tube-formed markers						Х	Х	
Abdominal X-ray								X-ray

The blister pack is marked with numbers 1-6. Each number represent one day in the table above. Swallow the capsules with water according to the number on the back of the blister pack. One (1) capsule per day for the first five days. On day six, there are two (2) capsules to be swallowed with a 12-hour interval (see table above).

If you have trouble swallowing the capsule, instead of water, try swallowing the capsule with something like applesauce or yogurt. The thicker texture of a soft solid can make it easier to swallow.

Make sure you follow the timing on the schedule precisely, which include the appointment for your X-ray on day seven.

**4)** How to store Transit-Pellets<sup>™</sup> radiopaque markers Stored at normal room temperature Keep out of sight and reach of children

5) Declaration of contents

Capsule: Hypromellose methylcellulose E464 Markers: Elastosil<sup>®</sup> R 401/60 Silicone Rubber (78%), Barium Sulfate BaSO<sub>4</sub> powder EMPROVE (22%)

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Read usage instructions

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