# **Cufsniff DR Syrup**

Diphenhydramine HCL I.P. 14.08 mg + Ammonium Chloride I.P. 138.00 mg + Sodium Citrate I.P. 57.03 mg Syrup

## **Generic Name:**

Diphenhydramine HCL, Ammonium Chloride, Sodium Citrate

# **Strength:**

- **Diphenhydramine HCL I.P.** 14.08 mg
- Ammonium Chloride I.P. 138.00 mg
- Sodium Citrate I.P. 57.03 mg

#### **Formulation:**

Syrup

#### Uses:

This combination syrup is used to treat symptoms related to **respiratory conditions**, particularly those associated with **cough** and **common cold**. It is indicated for:

#### 1. Cough Relief:

- The syrup helps in relieving cough, particularly dry cough, by acting as an antitussive (cough suppressant).
- 2. Relief from Nasal Congestion and Respiratory Irritation:
  - Diphenhydramine is an antihistamine that helps reduce allergy symptoms such as sneezing, runny nose, and irritation in the throat or airways.
- 3. Throat and Chest Congestion:
  - Ammonium Chloride serves as an expectorant, helping to loosen mucus in the chest and airways, making it easier to clear the air passages.

- 4. Alkalization of Respiratory Secretions:
  - Sodium Citrate helps alkalize the respiratory secretions, which can aid in loosening thick mucus and relieving irritation in the throat and chest.

## **Mechanism of Action:**

• Diphenhydramine HCL:

Diphenhydramine is an **antihistamine** that works by blocking the **H1 receptors** of histamine, reducing symptoms like **sneezing, runny nose**, and **irritation** in the throat. It also has a **sedative effect**, which may help with sleep in cases of severe cough or congestion.

• Ammonium Chloride:

Ammonium chloride acts as an **expectorant**, helping to **thin mucus** and facilitate its clearance from the airways. It is beneficial for **productive cough** by making it easier to expectorate mucus.

Sodium Citrate:

Sodium citrate works by **alkalizing respiratory secretions**, which can help reduce the viscosity of the mucus, aiding its easier removal. It also helps in **buffering the acidity** of the respiratory secretions.

# **Dosage:**

The dosage should be prescribed based on the age, condition, and response to treatment. General guidelines are:

- Adults and Children over 12 years of age:
  - Take 10-20 mL of syrup 3-4 times a day, or as prescribed by the healthcare provider.
- Children (6-12 years):

 Take 5-10 mL of syrup 3-4 times a day, or as prescribed by the healthcare provider.

## • Children (2-6 years):

 Take 2.5-5 mL of syrup 3-4 times a day, or as prescribed by the healthcare provider.

## • Children under 2 years:

 Use under the guidance of a healthcare provider.

It is important to **follow the dosage instructions carefully** and not exceed the recommended dose.

## **Precautions:**

# • Pregnancy and Breastfeeding:

- Diphenhydramine should be used cautiously during pregnancy, especially in the first trimester. Consult a healthcare provider before using this syrup if pregnant or breastfeeding.
- Ammonium Chloride and Sodium Citrate are considered relatively safe, but their use should be under medical supervision during pregnancy and lactation.

#### Alcohol Use:

 Since Diphenhydramine has sedative properties, alcohol should be avoided as it can enhance the sedative effects, leading to excessive drowsiness and other adverse reactions.

## • Liver and Kidney Conditions:

 Use with caution in individuals with liver or kidney disease, as the metabolism of certain ingredients may be affected. Close monitoring by a healthcare provider is recommended.

#### Chronic Respiratory Conditions:

 This syrup should be used with caution in patients with asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), as it may cause respiratory depression in some individuals.

#### • Sedative Effect:

 Since Diphenhydramine may cause drowsiness, it is advisable to avoid operating heavy machinery or driving while on this medication.

## **Side Effects:**

#### Common:

- Drowsiness or sedation
- o Dry mouth or throat
- Nausea or vomiting
- Dizziness
- Mild stomach upset or indigestion

#### • Less Common:

- Increased heart rate or palpitations
- o Blurred vision
- Urinary retention or difficulty urinating
- Rash or itching

## • Serious (Seek Medical Attention):

- Severe allergic reactions (rash, itching, swelling of the face, lips, or throat, difficulty breathing)
- Severe dizziness or fainting
- Severe difficulty breathing or respiratory distress
- o Chest tightness or irregular heartbeat

## **Drug Interactions:**

- CNS Depressants (e.g., alcohol, benzodiazepines):
  - Concurrent use with other sedatives, including alcohol, benzodiazepines, or opioids, may lead to enhanced sedation or respiratory depression.
- Antihypertensive Medications:
  - Ammonium chloride may interact with antihypertensive drugs, altering the effectiveness of blood pressure management.

#### • Other Cough Medications:

 Avoid using other cough syrups or cold medications that contain
Diphenhydramine or similar ingredients to prevent overdose.

Always inform your healthcare provider about all the medications, including over-the-counter drugs and herbal supplements, you are taking.

# **Storage:**

- Store the syrup in a cool, dry place at room temperature (20°C to 25°C or 68°F to 77°F).
- Protect from direct light and moisture.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Do not use the syrup after the **expiration date**.

## **Note:**

- This syrup is intended to provide symptomatic relief and is typically used for short-term treatment. If symptoms persist for more than a few days, or if they worsen, consult a healthcare provider.
- It is important to avoid self-medicating with this syrup for prolonged periods, as it may mask underlying conditions.

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