# Ginkgo 80

# A High-Potency Ginkgo Biloba Extract

### **DESCRIPTION**

Ginkgo 80, provided by Douglas Labororatories., contains 80 mg of standardized Ginkgo biloba leaf extract. Ginkgo 80 provides a guaranteed minimum of 27% ginkgo flavone glycosides and 7% terpene lactones. Ginkgo 80 is free of lactose and other common allergens.

## **FUNCTIONS**

Ginkgo biloba is the oldest living species of tree, having survived relatively unchanged for at least 200 million years. Native to China, ginkgo has long been recommended in Chinese herbal medicine for its numerous nutritional benefits for the brain and circulatory system. Ginkgo leaf extract has been the object of numerous scientific and clinical studies since the early 1970's and is now probably the most extensively studied and utilized botanical extract in the world.

Interest in Ginkgo biloba centers on its reputed benefits on brain function, especially on the aging brain. With advancing age, the body often suffers from decreased blood vessel elasticity and tone, and decreased blood fluidity. Insufficient blood, oxygen, and nutrient flow to the brain can lead to impairment in cognitive function. Studies over the past 30 years show that 120 to 240 mg per day of Ginkgo biloba extract increases blood flow to the brain resulting in increased oxygen and glucose utilization with subsequent improvement in mental function. These benefits are attributed to two main classes of phytoactive compounds present in the Ginkgo biloba leaf: ginkgo flavone glycosides and terpene lactones. As powerful antioxidants, the ginkgo flavone glycosides counteract the deleterious actions of free radical accumulation which impairs cellular energy production, nerve transmission, and increases vascular rigidity. Ginkgo biloba extract is also reported to inhibit the tendency of red blood cells to stick together ("clumping"), thereby enhancing the fluidity of the blood. Taken together, these actions contribute significantly to increasing blood flow to the brain.

### **INDICATIONS**

Ginkgo 80 capsules provide a convenient, high potency source of standardized Ginkgo biloba extract for individuals wishing to obtain the benefits of this well-documented herbal extract.

# FORMULA (GNK)

## SUGGESTED USE

One to three capsules per day, with meals.

#### SIDE EFFECTS

No adverse side effects have been reported.

#### **STORAGE**

Store in a cool, dry place, away from direct light. Keep out of reach of children.

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