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#### **FINAL**

# COMMUNITY HERBAL MONOGRAPH ON SAMBUCUS NIGRA L., FLOS

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#### NAME OF THE MEDICINAL PRODUCT

To be specified for the individual finished product.

#### QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION $^{1,\,2}$ 2.

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
With regard to the marketing authorisation application of Article 10(a) of Directive 2001/83/EC as amended	With regard to the registration application of Article 16d(1) of Directive 2001/83/EC as amended
	Sambucus nigra L., flos (elder flower)
	i) Herbal substance - Dried flower
	ii) Herbal preparations
	A) Liquid extract, DER 1:1, extraction
	solvent: 25 % V/V ethanol
	B) Tincture, DER 1:5, extraction solvent:
	25 % V/V ethanol

#### **3.** PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Well-established use	Traditional use
	Herbal substance as herbal tea for oral use
	Herbal preparations in liquid dosage forms for oral use.
	The pharmaceutical form should be described by the European Pharmacopoeia full standard term.

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 $<sup>^1</sup>$  The material complies with the Eur. Ph. monograph (ref. 01/2005:1217)  $^2$  The declaration of the active substance(s) for an individual finished product should be in accordance with relevant herbal quality guidance.

## 4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS

## 4.1. Therapeutic indications

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Herbal medicinal product traditionally used for the relief of early symptoms of common cold.
	The product is a traditional herbal medicinal product for use in specified indications exclusively based upon long-standing use.

# 4.2. Posology and method of administration

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Posology
	Adolescents over 12 years of age, adults, elderly
	Herbal substance for tea preparation: 2-5 g
	3 times daily
	A) Liquid extract: 3-5 ml 3 times daily
	B) Tincture: 10-25 ml 3 times daily
	The use is not recommended in children under
	12 years of age (see section 4.4 Special warnings
	and precautions for use).
	Duration of use
	Not to be taken for more than 1 week.
	If the symptoms persist during the use of the
	medicinal product, a doctor or a qualified health
	care practitioner should be consulted.
	Method of administration
	Oral use.

# 4.3. Contraindications

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Hypersensitivity to the active substance.

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## 4.4. Special warnings and precautions for use

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	The use is not recommended in children under 12 years of age due to lack of adequate data.
	If symptoms worsen or when dyspnoea, fever or purulent sputum occurs during the use of the
	medicinal product, a doctor or a qualified health care practitioner should be consulted.
	For tinctures and extracts containing ethanol, the appropriate labelling for ethanol, taken from the
	'Guideline on excipients in the label and package leaflet of medicinal products for human use',
	must be included.

# 4.5. Interactions with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

Well-established use	Traditional use
	None reported.

## 4.6. Pregnancy and lactation

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Safety during pregnancy and lactation has not
	been established.
	In the absence of sufficient data, the use during pregnancy and lactation is not recommended.

# 4.7. Effects on ability to drive and use machines

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	No studies on the effect on the ability to drive and use machines have been performed.

# 4.8. Undesirable effects

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	None known.
	If adverse reactions occur, a doctor or a qualified health care practitioner should be consulted.

#### 4.9. Overdose

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	No case of overdose has been reported.

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#### 5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

## 5.1. Pharmacodynamic properties

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Not required as per Article 16c(1)(a)(iii) of Directive 2001/83/EC as amended.

## 5.2. Pharmacokinetic properties

Well-established use	Traditional use
	Not required as per Article 16c(1)(a)(iii) of
	Directive 2001/83/EC as amended.

## 5.3. Preclinical safety data

Well-established use	<u>Traditional use</u>
	Not required as per Article 16c(1)(a)(iii) of
	Directive 2001/83/EC as amended, unless
	necessary for the safe use of the product.
	Tests on reproductive toxicity, genotoxicity and
	carcinogenicity have not been performed.

## 6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

Well-established use		7	Traditional use
		,	Not applicable.

# 7. DATE OF COMPILATION/LAST REVISION

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