Cytokine Balance Support

# Saloxicin™

### (Salix alba/Boswellia serrata)



Available in 28 capsules & 120 capsules

### Discussion

White Willow Bark *(Salix alba)* Willow bark has been used for thousands of years to help support eicosanoid and cytokine balance and to help relieve discomfort.<sup>[1-3]</sup> Willow bark is currently approved by the German Commission E and the European Scientific Cooperative on Phytotherapy (ESCOP) for these purposes. Willow bark is also recognized in the United States for its role in supporting joint comfort.<sup>[1]</sup> Willow bark contains glycosides, salicylates, flavonoids, tannins, aromatic compounds, and acids. A 2007 Cochrane review of the literature found moderate evidence that *Salix alba* positively affected eicosanoid metabolism and produced results that were comparable to those obtained by other commonly used compounds. Favorable results were obtained when the *Salix alba* in the studies was standardized to 120 mg or 240 mg salicin. Saloxicin<sup>™</sup> provides a standardized 120 mg dose of salicin per serving.<sup>\*[4]</sup>

Various randomized placebo-controlled studies suggest that willow bark produces positive effects on joint discomfort. The usual dose of salicin is 240 mg per day,<sup>[5]</sup> which is the intake recommendation for Saloxicin. Pharmacokinetic evaluations reveal that salicylic acid is the major metabolite of salicin, though other components of willow bark are believed to provide relief as well.<sup>[6]</sup> The mechanism of action of white willow bark appears to involve an effect on both arachidonic acid-derived eicosanoids and cytokine compounds.<sup>\*[7]</sup>

**5**•Loxin<sup>®</sup>, a standardized *Boswellia serrata* extract enriched to 30% 3-0-acetyl-11-keto-B-boswellic acid (AKBA), is ten times more concentrated than ordinary *B serrata. Boswellia serrata* is an ayurvedic herb whose principle constituents—boswellic acid and alpha-boswellic acid—may help maintain healthy leukotriene metabolism by reducing the activity of the enzyme 5-lipoxygenase.<sup>[8]</sup> 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX) catalyzes the synthesis of unfavorable leukotrienes.\*

A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial assessing the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of *Boswellia* extract produced statistically significant and clinically relevant decreases in knee

## **Clinical Applications**

- » Affects the Production of Arachidonic Acid-Derived Eicosanoids\*
- » Supports Cytokine Balance\*
- » Supports Joint Comfort\*
- » Contains 40 mg Proprietary Bioflavonoid Berry Blend\*
- » Supports Antioxidant Mechanisms\*

**Saloxicin**<sup>™</sup> is formulated to support eicosanoid and cytokine balance and provide support for joint comfort. 5-LOXIN®, a patented Boswellia extract yielding concentrated 3-0-acetyl-11-keto-B-boswellic acid (AKBA), is found to inhibit the 5-lipoxygenase enzyme. Salicin from white willow bark is a natural inhibitor of both the COX-2 and 5-lipoxygenase enzymes. Bioflavonoid-rich BerryVin<sup>™</sup> provides additional support for eicosanoid balance and antioxidant activity.\*

discomfort, increases in knee flexion, and increases in walking distance.<sup>[9]</sup> A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study specifically designed with 5•Loxin resulted in statistically significant improvements in comfort and physical function and a significant reduction in matrix metalloproteinase (MMP) in synovial fluid.<sup>[10]</sup> MMP represents a class of enzymes that selectively hydrolyze peptide bonds and degrade structural proteins; they play a crucial role in the degradation of joint tissues. 5•Loxin shows significant inhibition against several MMPs. It helps prevent the formation of human recombinant TNF- $\alpha$  inducible MMPs, which further facilitates the maintenance of healthy cartilage and cell-cycle regulation.\*[11,12]

**BerryVin™ (40 mg)** contains a blend of blueberries, strawberries, escobillo, and cranberries, along with grape and pomegranate extracts. This bioflavonoid-rich berry powder provides polyphenols, anthocyanins, ellagic acid, and an antioxidant capacity of 4000 TE/g to fight free radicals. It may also provide substantial antioxidant support for soft tissues. Bioflavonoids are thought to act synergistically to inhibit cyclooxygenases, lipoxygenases, and phospholipases, ultimately supporting healthy eicosanoid metabolism and favorable cytokine balance.\*<sup>[13,14]</sup>

#### Saloxicin<sup>™</sup> Supplement Facts

Serving Size: 2 Capsules

	Amount Per Serving	%Daily Value
Salicin (from white willow extract (Salix alba)(bark))	120 mg	**
Boswellia serrata extract (gum resin) (30% 3-0-Acetyl-11-keto- β-Boswellic acid [AKBA])(5-LOXIN <sup>©</sup> )	50 mg	**
High ORAC Berry Blend (strawberries, escobillo, blueberries, cranberries, grape extract, pomegranate extract)(whole fruit) (>4,000 TE/g)(>25% total polyphenols)(>10% anthocyanins) (>5,000 ppm ellagic acid)(BerryVin <sup>™</sup> )	40 mg	**
** Daily Value not established.		
Other Ingredients: HPMC (capsule), tricalcium phosphate, microcrystalline cellulose, stearic acid,		

Uner ingredients: HPMC (capsule), tricatolum prosphate, microcrystalline cellulose, stearic ac magnesium stearate, calcium silicate, and silica. BerryVim is a trademark of Cyvex Nutrition, Inc.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take two capsules twice daily, or as directed by your healthcare practitioner.

Consult your healthcare practitioner prior to use. Individuals taking medication should discuss potential interactions with their healthcare practitioner. Do not use if tamper seal is damaged.

STORAGE: Keep tightly closed in a cool, dry place out of reach of children.

**DOES NOT CONTAIN:** Wheat, gluten, yeast, soy, animal or dairy products, fish, shellfish, peanuts, tree nuts, egg, ingredients derived from genetically modified organisms (GMOs), artificial colors, artificial sweeteners, or artificial preservatives.

 $5 \underline{Loxin}$  is a registered trademark of PL Thomas - Laila Nutra, LLC and is used under license. International Patents Pending.



### References

- 1. Natural Standard Database. *Willow Bark* (Salix Spp.). Somerville, MA: Natural Standard; 2012. http://naturalstandard.com/databases/herbssupplements/ willowbark.asp#undefined. Accessed August 2, 2012.
- 2. Singh AP. Salicin-A natural analgesic. *Ethnobotanical Leaflets*. 2003;1:1-4. http://opensiuc.lib.siu.edu/ebl/vol2003/iss1/8. Accessed August 2, 2012.
- Fiebich BL, Appel K. Anti-inflammatory effects of willow bark extract. *Clin Pharmacol Ther.* 2003 Jul;74(1):96; author reply 96-7. [PMID: 12844141]
- Gagnier JJ, van Tulder MW, Berman B, et al. Herbal medicine for low back pain: a Cochrane review. Spine. 2007 Jan 1;32(1):82-92. [PMID: 17202897]
- Maroon JC, Bost JW, Maroon A. Natural anti-inflammatory agents for pain relief. Surg Neurol Int. 2010 Dec 13;1:80. [PMID: 21206541]
- Schmid B, Kötter I, Heide L. Pharmacokinetics of salicin after oral administration of a standardised willow bark extract. *Eur J Clin Pharmacol.* 2001 Aug;57(5):387-91. [PMID: 11599656]
- Khayyal MT, El-Ghazaly MA, Abdallah DM, et al. Mechanisms involved in the anti-inflammatory effect of a standardized willow bark extract. *Arzneimittelforschung.* 2005;55(11):677-87. [PMID: 16366042]
- Safayhi H, Boden SE, Schweizer S, et al. Concentration-dependent potentiating and inhibitory effects of Boswellia extract on 5-Lipoxygenase product formation in stimulated PMNL. *Planta Med.* 2000 Mar;66(2):110-3. [PMID: 10763581]
- Kimmatkar N, Thawani V, Hingorani L, et al. Efficacy and tolerability of Boswellia serrata extract in treatment of osteoarthritis of knee—a randomized double blind placebo controlled trial. *Phytomedicine*. 2003 Jan;10(1):3-7. [PMID: 12622457]
- Sengupta K, Alluri KV, Satish AR, et al. A double blind, randomized, placebo controlled study of the efficacy and safety of 5-Loxin for treatment of osteoarthritis of the knee. *Arthritis Res Ther.* 2008;10(4):R85. [PMID: 18667054]
- Laila Impex Research Centre. 5-LOXIN<sup>®</sup> overview. PLT. http://www.plthomas. com/540/97/5-loxin-. Accessed August 8, 2012.
- Roy S, Khanna S, Krishnaraju AV, et al. Regulation of vascular responses to inflammation: inducible matrix metalloproteinase-3 expression in human microvascular endothelial cells is sensitive to antiinflammatory Boswellia. *Antioxid Redox Signal*. 2006 Mar-Apr;8(3-4):653-60. [PMID: 16677108]
- Havsteen B. Flavonoids, a class of natural products of high pharmacological potency. *Biochem Pharmacol.* 1983 Apr 1;32(7):1141-8. [PMID: 6342623]
- Kim HP, Son KH, Chang HW, et al. Anti-inflammatory plant flavonoids and cellular action mechanisms. *J Pharmacol Sci.* 2004 Nov;96(3):229-45. [PMID: 15539763]

Additional references available upon request