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# ANTHOCRAN<sup>®</sup> PHYTOSOME

STANDARDIZED CRANBERRY EXTRACT

**ANTHOCRAN<sup>®</sup>**  
phytosome

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## WHAT IS ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME?

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is the innovative delivery system **cranberry** (*Vaccinium macrocarpon* Ait.) **extract** formulated with Phytosome technology to optimize its bioabsorption and health benefits.

## SPECIFICATIONS

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is standardized to provide **6-9% of proanthocyanidins (PACs)** by spectrophotometry (DMAC method).

## SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is supported by **two human and one *in vitro* studies** confirming its efficacy in **urinary tract health**.

## RECOMMENDED USE AND DOSE

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is a dark purple powder for use in nutritional supplements.

Recommended dose: 120 mg/day

## TRADEMARKS

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is a trademark of Indena S.p.A. and its logo and usage guidelines are available from Indena.

## References

<sup>1</sup> Baron, G., et al., *Biochemical pharmacology* 173 (2020): 113726.

<sup>2</sup> Cotellese, R., et al., *Journal of Dietary Supplements* (2021): 1-13. 18.

<sup>3</sup> Bresciani, L., et al., *Food Research International* 141 (2021): 110137.

## WHAT MAKES ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME UNIQUE?

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** contains not only PACs, but maintains the **full bouquet of polyphenols contained in natural cranberry juice**, acknowledged for its benefits in urinary health.

**ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME** is supported by an **extensive full characterization of its pharmacokinetic profile in human urines**, which are the proper target of *V. macrocarpon* ingredients effective in urinary health:<sup>1</sup>

- **PACs were not detected in urines**, in line with other scientific papers;
- **New metabolites firstly described in human urines (i.e. valerolactones) were detected;**
- Despite the lower content of PACs, urines fractions rich in this new metabolites were **the most active against *Candida albicans* adhesion and biofilm formation:** the innovative formulation **was bioequivalent to unformulated cranberry extract in inhibiting the bacterial proliferation**, proving the favorable effect of Phytosome technology on phytoactives absorption.

Two recent findings proven **ANTHOCRAN® PHYTOSOME**:

- effective in reducing symptoms and recurrence of UTIs despite the lower PACs content compared to other market formulations;<sup>2</sup>
- effective in preserving the physiological intestinal microbiota, retaining the physiological degradation of polyphenols during intestinal microbial metabolism and the formation of colonic biologically active metabolites.<sup>3</sup>

All together the above findings provide **new and innovative insights on cranberry extracts, endorsing these new metabolites instead of PACs as the true responsible for cranberry support to urinary health** instead of intact PACs as assumed so far.

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