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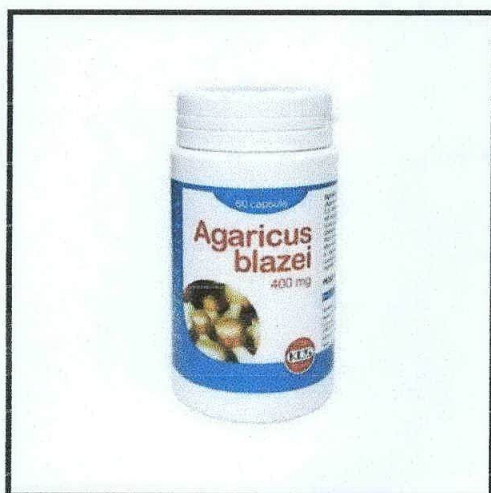
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**TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

**SUBJECT: Public Health Warning Against the following Unregistered Food Supplements with Misleading Claims Being Sold Online:**

- 1. KOS AGARICUS BLAZEI FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 2. PAPPAREALE ALVEAR WITH GINSENG ROYAL JELLY FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 3. AVS RETINA FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 4. CARNIDYN FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 5. CLOROFILLA FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 6. LONG LIFE CREATINA FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 7. MICOTWIN ZEN FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 8. MARCO VITI CHARCOAL FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 9. ESSECORE ESSEBABY FOOD SUPPLEMENT**
- 10. SIFI EPINERVE FOOD SUPPLEMENT**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public against the purchase and consumption of the following unregistered food supplements with noted claims being sold at **www.ebay.ph**:



**Kos Agaricus Blazei Food Supplement 60 Capsules**

Kos Agaricus blazei Food supplement with Agaricus blazei, useful for natural difese dell'organismo and carbohydrate metabolism.

**Ingredients**

for 1 vegetarian capsule Agaricusblazei (Agaricus blazei Murril) sporophore dry extract (40% of polysaccharides [beta glucans]) 400 mg Vitamin C (acidoascorbico) 27 mg Other ingredients: bamboo (Bambusa arundinacea [Retz.] Willd.) Young stems dry extract (70-75% siliceorganica); vegetable magnesium stearate. Constituents of the vegetable nature capsule: hydroxypropyl methylcellulose.

**How to use**

2-3 capsules daily with meals with plenty of water.

**warnings**

For women who are pregnant or nursing and children it is recommended to hear the parere del doctor.

The product is used as part of a varied and balanced diet, following unostile healthy life.

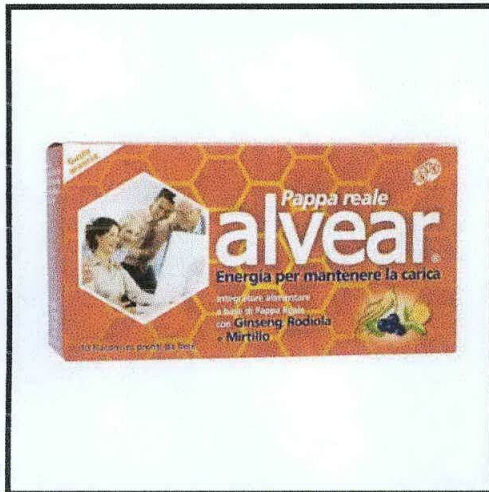
Do not exceed the recommended doses.

Keep out of reach of children under 3 years of age.

Format  
60 capsules.

**Figure 1. Unregistered Kos Agaricus Blazel Food Supplement**

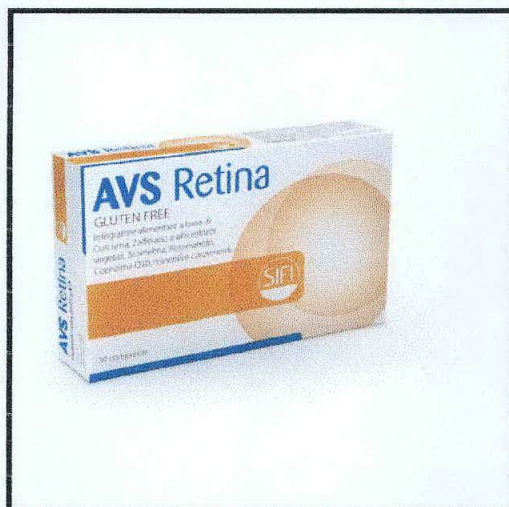




### Sit Alvear With Ginseng Royal Jelly Food Supplement 10 vials

Alvear Royal Jelly With Ginseng Ideal for adults, providing a surplus of energy that supports and enhances the daily performances dell'organismo. It helps to tackle the situations and the most challenging days, slowing the onset of stress and fatigue, stimulating even mood. Contains, in addition to Royal Jelly, Ginseng, Rhodiola and Blueberry.

Figure 2. Unregistered Pappa reale Alvear with Ginseng Royal Jelly Food Supplement



### Sifi Avs Retina Food Supplement 30 Tablets

Sifi Avs Retina Dietary supplement Food supplement made from plant extracts (turmeric, willow, Oxifend, Boswellia, Black pepper, saffron), Bromelain, Resveratrol, CoQ10, minerals (zinc and copper) and carotenoids (astaxanthin, lutein, zeaxanthin). Turmeric (Curcuma Longa roots), Bromelain (from pineapple stem), the Oxifend (fruit of Ribes nigrum), Boswellia (from Boswellia serrata) and ilResveratrolo (from Polygonum cuspidatum) are plant extracts with proprietàantiossidanti. The Black pepper (Piper nigrum fruits), zinc and copper contribute to protezione delle cells from oxidative stress. Zinc contributes to the maintenance of normal visual function. Gluten.

#### How to use

Two tablets once a day with a sip of water. AVS Retina può causare mild digestive disorders, so we recommend taking a stomacopieno.

#### Warnings

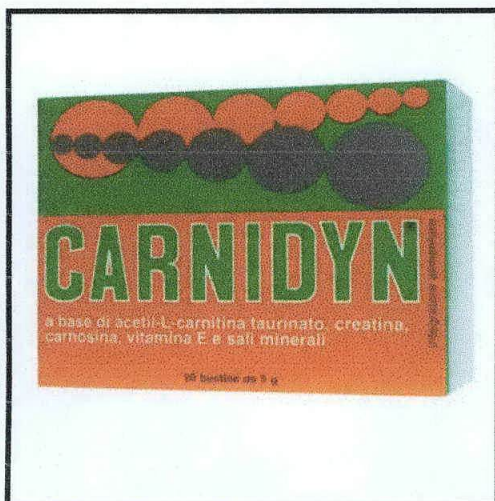
Do not exceed the recommended daily dose. Ask about pareredel your doctor if you are being treated with antiplatelet agents. Not assumedurante pregnancy and lactation. Keep out of reach of children under 3 aldi. The supplements are not intended as substitutes for a diet variatae a healthy lifestyle.

storage  
Store in a cool, dry place.

Format  
30 tablets.

Figure 3. Unregistered AVS Retina Food Supplement





### Carnidyn Food Supplement 20 Sachets

#### Carnidyn Indications

To integrate the reduced intake or increased requirement of substances metabolicheessenziali for the proper functioning of muscle cells.

#### Dosage and Usage:

one or two sachets per day, according to the indication of the doctor, dissolved in a glass of water.

#### Features

Food supplement useful in cases of low intake or increased need comeavviene, for example, asthenic states.

It represents a great metabolic support that promotes recovery capacitàenergetica muscle cells.

#### Warnings

The supplements are not intended as a substitute for a varied diet.

Tell your doctor or pharmacist for any adverse reactions durantel'uso product.

In case of prolonged use (over 6-8 weeks) is necessary the advice delmedico.

The product is contraindicated in cases of renal disease, pregnant and under 12 years.

Keep out of reach of children under 3 years of age.

The expiration date refers to the unopened product, properly preserved.

#### Components

Acetylcarnitine taurinate; Creatine; carnosine; vitamin E; selenium; magnesium; zinc, potassium.

#### Format

20 envelopes.

Figure 4. Unregistered Carnidyn Food Supplement



### Erbavita dyes Hydroalcoholic Chlorophyll Food Supplement 50ml

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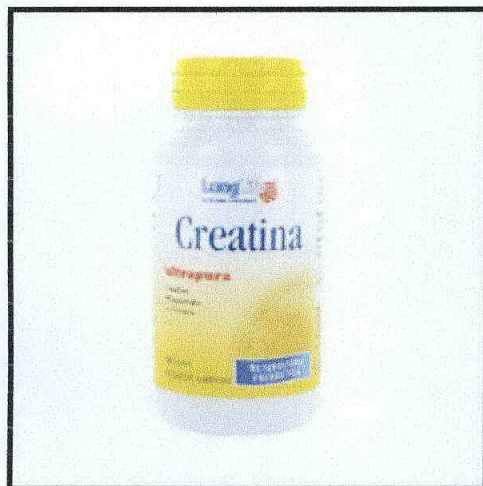
Chlorophyll is the pigment responsible for the green color of the leaves and plays a key role in photosynthesis; it has a chemical composition very similar to that of human hemoglobin (from which it differs for the presence of magnesium instead of iron at the center of the molecule). How to use:

It is recommended to take 20-50 drops, 1-2 times a day, diluted in a little water, between meals. Ingredients:

water, natural alcohol, Chlorophyll from Alfalfa (Medicago sativa L.) aerial part.

The water-alcohol tincture of Chlorophyll Erba Vita is a solution in relation D / E = 1/10 obtained by using natural Chlorophyll. The water-alcohol tinctures are made using ethyl alcohol to appropriate concentration, not genetically modified, obtained by natural fermentation of raw materials of Community origin. The long experience in the herbal sector ensures a standardized processing technique, for a reproducible and satisfactory results.

Figure 5. Unregistered Clorofilla Food Supplement



100 g

### Longlife Food Supplement Creatine 100g

Creatine monohydrate powder ultrapure

Creatine is an amino acid non-protein naturally produced by the body. Its presence is required primarily for the maintenance of cellular energy reserves. In recent years, scientific research has focused in particular studies regarding the use of this substance for the improvement of muscle metabolism.

#### HOW TO USE

3 grams per day (equivalent to a teaspoon of tea satin). Creatine can be taken with liquids.

#### WARNINGS

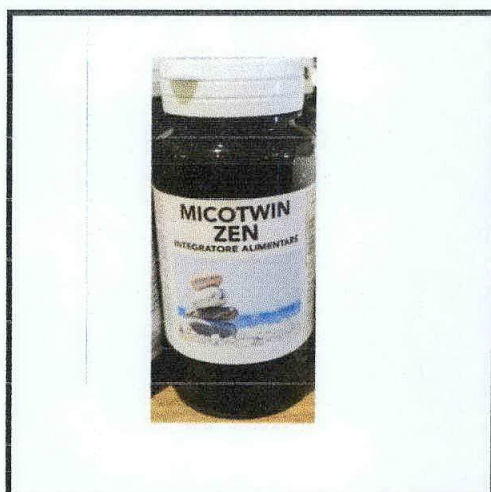
Do not use in children and pregnant women, or for any plungati periods without consulting with a doctor.

#### SUPPLEMENTS SYNERGISTIC

GTF Chromium 200mcg, Amino Complex, CLA 1000

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Figure 6. Unregistered Longlife Creatina Food Supplement



### Gheos Micotwin Zen Food Supplement 90 Capsules

Gheos Micotwin Zen capsules

Micotwin Zen Gheos is a dietary supplement useful in all those subjects stressed, anxious and weary from a psychological point of view. Useful to quench the hunger of anxious compulsive nature. Based on Reishi mushroom (Ganoderma) and biological Poria, with L-Theanine, Rhodiola rosea and vitamin C.

The fungus is a fungus useful in cases of inability of relaxation, insomnia and irritability; it acts on the nervous system and the release of endogenous endorphins performing a natural calming effect, improves the quality of sleep and the body's ability to recover.

The Poria cocos, indicated in cases of agitation, mental hyperactivity, nervousness, depression and insomnia, suitable for giving relief to the states of anxiety, agitation; It has antidepressant properties and is a mild sedative, recommended for those who perform a very hectic life.

L - Theanine is an amino acid from muscle relaxant and sedative properties, which promotes relaxation in generale, reduces mental and physical stress.

Rhodiola is a valuable natural aid in case of physical and mental fatigue. Also, it helps to reduce fat deposits and, thanks to its salidroside content, it is useful for the control of the nervous hunger.

Vitamin C contributes to normal functioning of the immune system, reduce tiredness and fatigue and to protect against cellular oxidative stress, and promotes the absorption of active ingredients of the medicinal mushrooms.

Figure 7. Unregistered Micotwin Zen Food Supplement





### Marco Viti Charcoal Food Supplement 120 Tablets

#### Marco Viti Charcoal Dietary supplement

It helps reduce the excess air efficacemnete presente the stomach and intestines, thus relieving the unpleasant feeling of bloating and flatulence linked adaerofagia.

#### Dosage and mode of use

1-2 tablets after meals or at 'onset of swelling.

To better appreciate the virtues of the product it recommended 'intake peralmeno 1-2 days.

#### Warnings

For prolonged use it is necessary to consult the doctor. Do not use the ProductAlphabetical case of liver or kidney disease, pregnant and under 14 years if nondopo having heard the advice of the doctor. The supplements are not intended as sostitutidi a varied diet. Keep out of reach of children under 3 years of age.

#### storage

Keep in a cold and dry place.

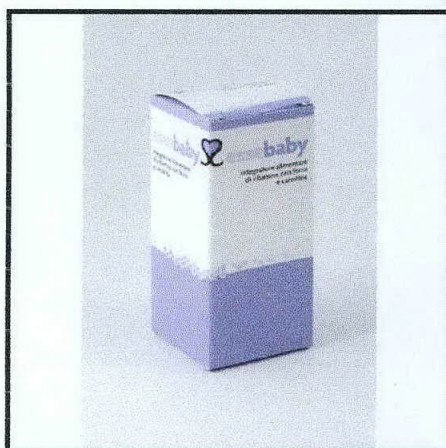
#### components

charcoal 56%; lactose; saccaros; Arabic gum; magnesium stearate.

#### Format

Pack of 120 tablets.

Figure 8. Unregistered Marco Viti Charcoal Food Supplement



### Essecore Essebaby Food Supplement 200ml

#### Essecore Essebaby Dietary supplement

dietary supplement in the form of oral solution to the pleasant orange taste, convitamine the group B (B1, B3, B5, B6, B12) and Iron, along with biotin, contribute to supporting energy metabolism, resulting also useful for bambinifin school age (in the greater commitment periods). Iron, folic acid, vitamin D evitamina also aid the proper functioning of the immune system.

#### ingredients

Water; maltodextrin; fructose; magnesium citrate; carnitine; ferrous pyrophosphate; citric acid; preservative: potassium sorbate; nicotinamide (vitaminaB3); Calcium D-pantothenate (vitamin B5); color: beta-carotene; cholecalciferol (vitamin D3); pyridoxine hydrochloride (vitamin B6); thiamine hydrochloride (vitamin B1); retinyl acetate (vitamin A); aroma; pteroil-monoglutamico acid (folic acid); D-biotin; cyanocobalamin (vitamin B12).

#### How to use

They recommend 10 ml of product per day, pure or diluted in a little bit of fruit osucco water.

#### warnings

Do not exceed the recommended daily dose. For the use of the product in children sentirell medical advice. Keep out of reach of children under 3 years of

age diet. Dietary supplements are not intended as a substitute for a balanced variaed diet and a healthy lifestyle. For women who are pregnant or breast-feeding siracomanda seek the advice of the doctor.

#### storage

Store in a cool, dry place, away from light. The finevalidità date refers to the product properly stored in confezioneintegra.

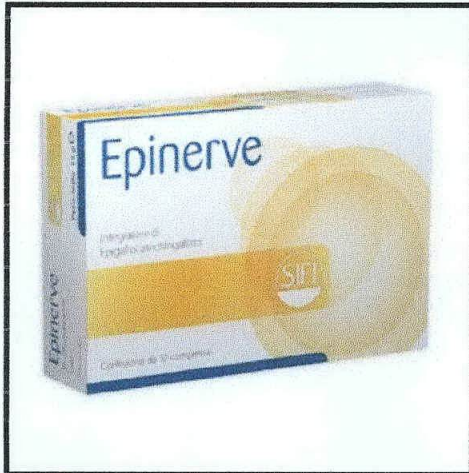
#### nutritional characteristics

100% 100% 112.5% µg25  
to 10 ml % RDA carnitine 150 mg Iron 7 mg 50% thiamine 1.1 mg 100% niacin 12 mg 75% Pantothenic acid 6 mg vitamin B6 1.4 mg vitamin B12 2,5µg 100% biotin 225% Vitamin D 5 g 100% vitamin A 200 g RDA: recommended daily allowance.

#### Format

200 ml bottle.

Figure 9. Unregistered Essecore Essebaby Food Supplement



#### Sifi Epinerve Food Supplement 30 Tablets

**Sifi**

Epinerve Dietary supplement

EPINERVE is a dietary supplement made from Epigallocatechingallato (EGCg).

This substance, taken orally, is localized in various tissues, including the nervous.

L'green tea extract highly titrated in Epigallocatechingallato is equipped with a strong antioxidant. It is useful to protect cells from oxidative damage caused by free radicals.

Recommendations for use

It should take a full stomach of one or two tablets a day.

Format

30 tablets.

Figure 10. Unregistered Sifi Epinerve Food Supplement

The public is hereby warned that the food supplements are not registered with the FDA. Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009", the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, offering for sale, distribution, transfer, non-consumer use, promotion, advertising or sponsorship of health products without the proper authorization from FDA is prohibited.


Likewise, **all claims are false, deceptive, and misleading.** As per Administrative Order 2010-0008, no person shall advertise, promote, or use in any sponsorship any food/dietary supplements unless such product is duly registered and approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

Accordingly, since unregistered food supplements have not gone through evaluation and testing process of the FDA, the agency cannot guarantee their quality and safety. The consumption of such violative products may pose potential health hazards to the consuming public. Food products including food supplements should not bear any misleading, deceptive, and false claims in their labels and/or any promotional materials that will provide erroneous impression on products' character or identity.

In light of the above, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to be vigilant against food products that might not be duly registered with FDA. Always check if a food product has been registered with FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded *Search* feature of the FDA website accessible at [www.fda.gov.ph](http://www.fda.gov.ph).

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