

## GOPO® Joint Health Body Map

Over 20 million people in the UK live with a musculoskeletal condition. Whilst chronic joint conditions, such as arthritis, are typically managed with over-the-counter medication,<sup>2</sup> there is a national consensus on the need for a more holistic approach to treatment, including both nonpharmacological and pharmacological options.<sup>3</sup> Pharmacists and healthcare professionals have a responsibility to better educate patients on self-management techniques, including lifestyle and diet changes, together with evidence-based alternative treatments, such as the clinically backed supplement, GOPO® Joint Health.

## **RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS**

Pharmacists can play an important role in managing patients with neck and shoulder pain. Pain and swelling in the shoulder is a particularly common symptom for rheumatoid arthritis sufferers.4

✓ In a randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled study involving patients with rheumatoid arthritis, GOPO® significantly reduced the number of tender and swollen joints<sup>5</sup>

## **OSTEOARTHRITIS**

The most common reason for a hip replacement is osteoarthritis,10 and whilst the NHS typically aims to provide elective surgeries, such as joint replacements, within 18 weeks,11 more than 2 million people are now waiting longer than the statutory time frame,12 leaving any needing interim supp to help manage pain.

- In one study involving patients with osteoarthritis, GOPO® significantly improved hip joint mobility<sup>5</sup>
- GOPO® treatment improved activities of daily living and quality of life, including walking down the street, getting into and out of the car, shopping, putting on/taking off tights and socks and getting up and down from the lavatory<sup>5</sup>
- 8 out of 10 patients reported a significant reduction in pain after just 3 weeks of GOPO® treatment5

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Menopausal joint pain is also commonly experienced in the hands, knees and shoulders.7

- One randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial carried out in Denmark concluded that GOPO® reduced pain in 90% of participants with hand osteoarthritis during everyday manual activity8
- GOPO® intervention also resulted in a 33% reduction in the use of conventional painkillers8
- In one study, women of menopausal age reported a 50% decline in pain and stiffness and an improvement in daily living activities following 3 months daily consumption of the galactolipid, GOPO®9

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Knee injuries account for 41% of all sporting injuries<sup>14</sup> and in some cases, if the joint does not heal correctly, it can accelerate cartilage deterioration, causing prolonged joint pain and stiffness.

- In one study, GOPO® reduced joint pain
- GOPO® supplementation also improved the quality of joint movement and may prevent the degeneration of joint tissues and cartilage<sup>5</sup>

and knee resistance<sup>5</sup>

GOPO® Joint Health is the only available product containing high levels of GOPO®,15 the galactolipid compound derived from Rosa canina (the sub-species of rose-hip),16 with one study suggesting that GOPO® may be more effective for pain relief than paracetamol and glucosamine.5

Clinical trials confirm that GOPO® has a favourable safety profile with no known side effects, no known contradictions and no interactions with other commonly used arthritis medications.5

To help patients live a life without limits, contact G.R. Lane Health Products Limited: 01452 524012, or visit the GOPO® Joint Health website: www.gopo.co.uk

Clinical studies also confirm that GOPO® provides consistent and significant relief from joint pain,<sup>5</sup> reduces the need for rescue medication<sup>5</sup> and may protect joint cartilage from inflammatory destruction.5



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