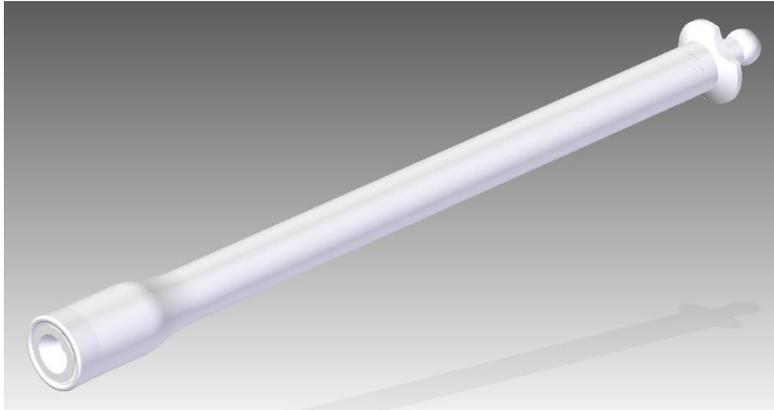


Instruction for use of vaginal-capsule-applicators (art. no. 1032xx)



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Please note that following wording of the instruction for use is a suggestion. As Schägger as legal manufacturer of the applicator has no specific information about the medicine/medical device these applicators are packed with, it is up to the pharmaceutical company that encloses the vaginal applicator to the package that contains the vaginal capsule to adapt the instruction for use according to the specific requirements of the pharmaceutical company's vaginal capsule (see also "Demarcation of responsibilities" as stipulated by contract between Schägger and pharmaceutical company).

Suggestion for the instruction for use of vaginal-capsule-applicators:

***"The plunger is pulled out of the applicator until it comes to a stop. Then the vaginal capsule is placed into the holder of the applicator tube right before the intended use.
(Because of the texture of the gel capsule this can stick to the applicator tube when the capsule remains undelivered in the applicator for more than a couple of minutes, thus the plunger can hardly release the capsule from the applicator).***

The applicator is then introduced into the vagina. This should be best carried out in dorsal position. The capsule is deposited into the vagina by gently pressing the applicator plunger until it stops. Finally, the applicator is removed from the vagina.

The vaginal capsule applicator is intended by the manufacturer for single use and should be disposed of as household waste after use.

Note on safety:

- ***Applicators that show obvious damages should not be used but returned to the pharmacy, pharmaceutical company or to the manufacturer.***
- ***By applying to much pressure on the plunger in order to release the capsule, in case it has not been released in time and thus the capsule is sticking to the applicator, the capsule can break."***

Optional reuse of the vaginal applicator:

- *the reuseability of the applicator depends on the patient's vaginal flora due to the underlying disease as well as domestic hygienic aspects.*
- *reusing of the applicator is limited to the exhaustion of the medicinal product contained in one package the applicator is packed with*
- *in case the pharmaceutical company designs the applicator to be reused a cleaning procedure as validated by the pharmaceutical company considering the vaginal flora as well as specific bioburden requirements (at least Eur.Pharm.5.1.4 or lower) and accordingly described in the IFU contained in the combination package of*

applicator and medicinal product has to be performed after each applicator use. The cleaning procedure has to comprise at least:

- *disassembling of the applicator by withdrawal of the plunger from the tube*
- *washing of tube and plunger with lukewarm tap-water and mild soap, thorough rinsing of tube and plunger with fresh tap-water, if necessary shaking-off larger amounts of water*
- *air drying of the applicator parts on a dry and clean surface*
- *assembling of applicator by inserting the plunger into the tube*
- *Warning: Before each reuse the applicator has to be examined for obvious damages especially at the end which holds the tablet. Applicators that show obvious damages should not be reused but disposed of as household waste.*

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