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Attapulgite

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A natural clay-like mineral mixture of hydrated aluminum silicate containing magnesium, adsorbent Attapulgite (kaopectate) acts locally in the intestines to adsorb bacteria and toxins; reduce water loss; and treat diarrhea. Sometimes it is activated by heat to increase absorbency. (NCI04)