



## **CANDIDA ANTIGEN FOR WARTS AND MOLLUSCUM**

What is candida antigen?

Candida antigen is a yeast extract. It does not cause yeast infections. Most people have been exposed to yeast at some time during their lives.

How is it used?

Warts and molluscum are caused by viruses. An injection (shot) of candida antigen into one to two lesions allows immune cells to recognize the virus and help the body begin to fight against the virus. This happens slowly. You may not notice any change in the lesions after the first treatment. The lesions are injected monthly to keep the process going. Usually, three to four sets of shots are needed. If the shots seem to be working, more may be needed. This treatment can be used with other treatments such as liquid nitrogen.

Are there any side effects from the injection?

It is normal to have itching, redness and swelling at the site of injection. The itching can last for several hours. Your body is reacting to the antigen by sending immune cells into the injection site. It is best not to give anti-histamines (such as Benadryl®) as this might suppress the response.

**ALERT:** Call your doctor, nurse, or clinic if you have any questions or concerns.