

ipecac *(ip-e-cac)*

Definition

n. the dried root of a tropical South American plant *Cepha lis ipecacuanha* of the madder family; that yields emetine and other alkaloids a preparation from the dried roots; used to induce vomiting any of several plant roots used in a similar way

Example Sentence

The doctor gave the man **ipecac** to purge his stomach.

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