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## BARIUM

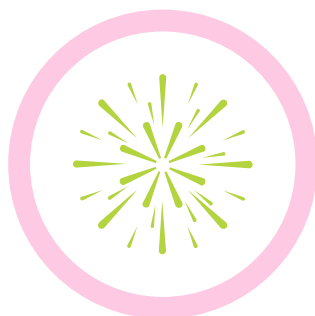
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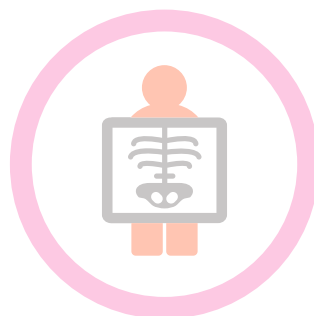


### FIREWORKS



Barium compounds, commonly barium nitrate, are used in fireworks to give them a green colour.

### X-RAYS



Barium sulfate is given to patients (as a "barium meal") for X-ray imaging of the digestive system.

### DRILLING FLUID



Barium sulfate is also used in drilling fluids for oil and gas wells, and as a white pigment in paints.