

Veterinary medicine package leaflet

This medicine is supplied only on veterinary prescription
For use in animals only

1. Name, form, and strength of the veterinary medicine

Rheumocam Veterinary oral suspension 1.5 mg/ml

2. Active ingredient

Each ml of suspension contains: 1.5 mg of meloxicam.

For a list of inactive ingredients and allergens see section 13 'Further Information'.

3. What is this medicine intended for?

Alleviation of inflammation and pain in both acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders in dogs.

Therapeutic group: non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID).

4. Do not use this medicine in the following cases

Do not use in pregnant or lactating animals.

Do not use in animals with gastrointestinal disorders such as irritation, ulcer and hemorrhage, impaired liver, heart or kidney function, and hemorrhagic disorders.

Do not use in animals with known hypersensitivity to the active ingredient or to any of the inactive ingredients.

Do not use in puppies under 6 weeks old.

5. Side effects

Typical side effects of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) such as loss of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, occult blood in the stool, apathy and kidney failure have been reported. In very rare cases bloody diarrhea, vomiting blood, gastrointestinal ulcer, and elevated liver enzymes have been reported. These side effects usually occur within the first treatment week; they are transient in most cases and disappear when the treatment ends, but in very rare cases they may be serious or fatal.

If a side effect occurs, discontinue the treatment and consult a veterinarian.

If you notice any serious side effects or other effects not mentioned in this leaflet, consult a veterinarian.

You can report side effects to the Ministry of Health (MoH) by following the link 'Reporting Side Effects of Medication' on the MoH home page (www.health.gov.il) which links to an online form for reporting side effects. You can also use this link:

<https://sideeffects.health.gov.il/>

6. Target animal

Dogs

7. Route of administration and dose

Route of administration: oral suspension.

Dose: The initial dose is 0.2 mg meloxicam per kg body weight, on the first day of treatment. Continue giving the treatment orally (by mouth) once a day (at intervals of 24 hours between doses) at a maintenance dose of 0.1 mg meloxicam per kg body weight.

The duration of treatment depends on the observed response. Long-term treatment will be adjusted to the minimum effective dose to relieve inflammation and pain.

The suspension can be given using the dosing syringe provided in the package. There is a scale marked on the syringe which corresponds to the volume required.

The following dosing table shows how much medicine to give the dog according to the dog's weight:

Body weight (kg)	Maintenance dose (ml)
7.5	0.5
15	1
22.5	1.5
30	2
37.5	2.5
45	3
52.5	3.5
60	4







The required dose on the first day of treatment is double the maintenance dose.

A clinical response is normally seen within 3 to 4 days. Stop the treatment after 10 days at the most if you see no improvement in the animal's medical condition.

8. How to use this medicine

Shake well before use. Mix this medicine with food.

Do not allow the medicine to get contaminated while it is in use.

<p>Please follow these steps: Step 1. Before using Rheumocam for the very first time make sure that you have the bottle, round plastic adaptor and syringe.</p>		<p>Step 2. Insert the round plastic adaptor into the bottle neck and push down until securely in place. Once in place, there is no need to remove the adaptor any more.</p>	
<p>Step 3. Replace the cap on the bottle and shake well. Remove the bottle cap and attach the dosing syringe to the bottle by gently pushing the syringe tip into the opening of the adaptor.</p>		<p>Step 4. Turn the bottle upside down, with the syringe still inside, and slowly pull the plunger until you have drawn the required dose.</p>	
<p>Step 5. Turn the bottle and syringe the right way up and with a twisting movement separate the syringe from the bottle.</p>		<p>Step 6. Push the plunger in until all content of the syringe is emptied into the food.</p>	

Be particularly careful about accurately measuring the dose. Carefully follow the veterinarian's instructions.

9. Withdrawal Period

Not applicable.

10. Warnings

- **Special warnings when using in the target animal**

If a side effect occurs, discontinue the treatment and consult a veterinarian.

Avoid use in animals that are dehydrated, whose blood volume is reduced (hypovolemic) or whose blood pressure is low (hypotensive) as there is a potential risk of increased kidney toxicity.

- **Special precautions to be taken by the person administering the medicine**

Avoid direct contact with this medicine if you have a known sensitivity to NSAIDs.

If accidentally swallowed, seek medical attention and show the package leaflet to the doctor.

- **Pregnancy and lactation**

Do not use in pregnant or lactating animals.

- **Drug interactions and other interactions**

Other NSAIDs, diuretics, anticoagulants, aminoglycoside antibiotics, and medicines that bind strongly to proteins may compete for binding to proteins and cause a toxic effect. Do not give Rheumocam at the same time as other NSAIDs or glucocorticosteroids.

Pre-treatment with anti-inflammatory medicines may result in additional or increased side effects, so carefully avoid giving such veterinary medicines for at least 24 hours before starting this treatment. However, when deciding how long to wait before giving Rheumocam, take into account the pharmacokinetic properties of the veterinary medicines that were given to the dog earlier.

- **Overdose**

In case of overdose, treat the symptoms.

11. Storage instructions

- Prevent poisoning! To prevent poisoning, keep this, and all other medicines, in a closed place out of site and reach of children and/or infants.
- Do not use after the expiry date (Exp. Date) stated on the package. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.
- Use within 6 months of opening.
- Do not store above 25°C.

12. Instructions for disposing of the medicine/remaining medicine after use

Any unused veterinary medicine or waste from such veterinary medicine must be disposed of according to local regulations.

Do not discard medicines via wastewater or household waste.

Ask your veterinary doctor how to dispose of medicines you no longer need. These measures will help protect the environment.

13. Further information

- In addition to the active ingredients this medicine also contains: 5 mg sodium benzoate Saccharine sodium, carmellose sodium, silica (colloidal anhydrous), citric acid monohydrate, sorbitol (liquid, non-crystallizing), disodium phosphate dodecahydrate, sodium benzoate, honey flavor, purified water.
- What the medicine looks like and what are the contents of the package:
Yellow suspension.

- This medicine is available in bottles of 15, 42, 100, or 200 ml; two dosing syringes are provided.
- Not all package sizes may be available.

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- **Manufacturer name:**

Chanelle Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing Ltd., Loughrea, Co. Galway, Ireland.

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