CIMALGEX

For the treatment of pain and inflammation associated with osteoarthritis, and the management of peri-operative pain due to orthopaedic or soft tissue surgery, in dogs.

Composition

Each tablet contains:
Cimicoxib 8 mg
Cimicoxib 30 mg
Cimicoxib 80 mg
Tablets are oblong, white to pale brown, with a break-line on both sides and can be divided into equal halves.

Indications

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Contraindications

Do not use in dogs less than 10 weeks of age.
Do not use in dogs suffering from stomach or digestive system disorders or in dogs with bleeding problems.
Do not use at the same time as corticosteroids or other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs).
Do not use if the dog is hypersensitive to cimicoxib or any of the other ingredients in the product.
Do not use in breeding, pregnant or lactating animals. See Section 12 below (“Special precautions for dogs”).

Adverse reactions

Mild gastro-intestinal disorders (vomiting and/or diarrhoea) were very commonly reported but these only lasted for a short time.
On rare occasions, serious gastrointestinal problems such as bleeding and ulcer formation have occurred. Other adverse reactions including loss of appetite or lethargy may also be observed on rare occasions.
In very rare cases, increases in kidney function results (renal biochemistry parameters) were noted. As with any long term NSAID treatment, kidney function should be monitored.
If any observed adverse effect persists after stopping treatment, the advice of your veterinary surgeon should be sought.
If adverse reactions such as persistent vomiting, repeated diarrhoea, blood in the stools, sudden weight loss, loss of appetite, lethargy or worsening of liver or kidney function results occur, use of the product should be discontinued and the advice of your veterinary surgeon should be sought immediately.
If you notice any serious effects or other effects not mentioned in this leaflet, please inform your veterinary surgeon.

Dosage for each species, route and method of administration

Oral use.
Cimalgex tablets can be given to dogs with or without food. The tablets are flavoured and studies (in healthy Beagle dogs) show they are likely to be taken voluntarily by most dogs.
The recommended dose of cimicoxib is 2 mg per kg bodyweight, once daily, according to the dosage table below:

Bodyweight of dog (kg)	Number of tablets and tablet strength (mg cimicoxib)		
	Cimalgex 8mg	Cimalgex 30mg	Cimalgex 80mg
3.0-4.0	1		
4.1-7.5		1/2	
7.6-15.0		1	
15.1-20.0			1/2
20.1-40.0			1
40.1-60.0			1 1/2
>60.1			2

Treatment duration:

- Management of peri-operative pain due to orthopaedic or soft tissue surgery: one dose 2 hours prior to surgery, followed by 3 to 7 days of treatment, based on the judgment of your veterinary surgeon.
- Relief of pain and inflammation associated with osteoarthritis: 6 months.

For longer-term treatment, regular monitoring should be undertaken by your veterinary surgeon.

ADvice on correct administration

None.

Special storage precautionS

Keep out of the reach and sight of children.
This veterinary medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

Presentation

Cimalgex 8 mg box of 32 tablets/ 144 tablets
Cimalgex 30 mg box of 32 tablets/ 144 tablets
Cimalgex 80 mg box of 32 tablets/ 144 tablets