

**VETERINÊRE MEDISYNE**  
**SKEDULERINGSSTATUS**

[S4]

**EIENDOMSNAAM EN DOSEERVORM**  
**COLVASONE INSPUITING**

**SAMESTELLING**

'n Steriele oplossing van Deksametasoonnatriumfosfaat 2 mg/ml met benielalkohol 20 mg/ml as preserveremiddel.

**FARMAKOLOGIESE KLASSIFIKASIE**  
C3.1.1 Steroïede

**FARMAKOLOGIESE WERKING**

Deksametasoon is 'n kortikosteroid met anti-inflammatoriese en glukogeniese eienskappe en met min mineralokortikoïede aktiwiteit. Kortikosteroïede beïnvloed proteïen-, koolhidraat- en vetmetabolisme, elektroliet- en waterbalans en die funksionele vermoëns van die kardiovaskulêre sisteem, die niere en skeletspiere, die senuwee sisteem en ander organe en weefsels.

**Teiken Spesies**

Perde, beeste, kalwers, varke, skape en bokke, honde en katte.

**INDIKASIES**

Deksametasoon is 'n sintetiese kortikosteroid met 'n baie potente inflammatoriese werking.

COLVASONE kan gebruik word vir:

- 1) Intravenese terapie in gevalle waar nood behandeling aangedui is, veral tydens skok en sirkulasie instorting, "fog fever" (akute pulmonêre edeem en emfiseem by beeste), akute mastitis en brandwonde.
- 2) Asetonemie (ketose) in beeste. COLVASONE het 'n sterk glukoneogeniese werking.
- 3) Inflammatoriese toestande in al die spesies: COLVASONE sal inflammasie onderdruk en is aangedui vir die behandeling van artritis, laminitis, dermatitis, ens.

**KONTRA-INDIKASIES**

Sistemiese kortikosteroid behandeling is gewoonlik teen aangedui by pasiënte met niersekte, diabetes mellitus, en kongestiewe hartversaking en algemene beensiekte (osteoporose).

Kortikosteroïede word nie aanbeveel vir gebruik in dragtige diere nie. Dit is bekend dat toediening van kortikosteroïede tydens vroeë dragtigheid fetale abnormaleite by diere kan veroorsaak. Toediening gedurende die laat dragtigheidsperiode kan voortydige baring of abortasie veroorsaak.

Kortikosteroïede kan wondheling vertraag en die immuno-onderdrukkende werking kan die weerstandbiedendheid teenoor infeksies verlaag of bestaande infeksies vererger. Indien bakteriële infeksie teenwoordig is tydens steroïedbehandeling word antibakteriële geneesmiddelsdekking gewoonlik vereis. In teenwoordigheid van virus infeksies kan steroïede die verloop van die siekte of vertraag of bevorder.

Maag-dermseervorming is gerapporteer in diere wat met kortikosteroïede behandel is en steroïed kan dit ook vererger in pasiënte

wat tegelykertyd met nie-steroïedele anti-inflammatoriese middels behandel word, asook in diere met rugmurgbeserings wat met kortikosteroïede behandel word.

Die gebruik van hierdie produk in perde kan aanleiding gee tot laminitis en die diere moet dus noukeurig dopgehou word tydens behandeling.

Gedurende die verloop van behandeling behoort die situasie dikwels deur goeie veaartsenykundige supervisie hersien te word.

**WAARSKUWINGS EN SPESIALE VOORSORGSMAATREËLS**  
Wondheling mag vertraag word.

Gelydelike onttrekking word aanbeveel 'n langdurende behandelingskurse.

Toediening gedurende die laaste stadium van dragtigheid in beeste en skape kan voortydige baring veroorsaak. Fetale abnormaleite is waargeneem in knaagdiers, konyne en honde, veral as die geneesmiddel tydens die vroeë stadium van dragtigheid toegedien was.

Na parenterale toediening van COLVASONE duur die kortikosteroïedele aktiwiteit vir tot en met 12 ure.

**Onttrekkingtye:**

Beeste, varke, skape en bokke mag nie tydens behandeling vir menslike gebruik geslag word nie. Beeste, varke, skape en bokke kan slegs 21 dae, nadat behandeling gestaak is, vir menslike gebruik geslag word.

Melk vir menslike gebruik mag nie tydens behandeling geneem word nie. Melk vir menslike gebruik mag slegs van beeste, skape en bokke geneem word 72 uur na die laaste behandeling.

Moet nie gebruik word in perde wat vir menslike gebruik geslag word nie.

**DOSIS EN GEBRUIKSAANWYSINGS**

Toediening geskied binne-aars of binnespiers.

Normale aseptiese voorsorgmaatreëls moet nagekom word.

Perde en beeste: 5 tot 20 ml  
Kalwers, varke, skape en bokke: 1 tot 5 ml  
Honde: 0,25 tot 2 ml  
Katte: 0,25 tot 0,5 ml

**byvoorbeeld**

Perd	500 kg	10 tot 20 ml
Koei	400 kg	10 tot 16 ml
Skaap	50 kg	2 ml
Vark	50 kg	2 ml
Hond	10 kg	0,5 tot 1 ml
Kat	5 kg	0,25 tot 0,5 ml

**NEWE-EFFEKTE**

Dit is bekend dat anti-inflammatoriese kortikosteroïede, soos deksametasoon, aanleiding tot 'n wye reeks nuwe-effekte kan gee. Alhoewel enkele hoë dosisse gewoonlik goed verdra word, kan dit ernstige nuwe-effekte na lang termyn gebruik veroorsaak, sowel as wanneer dit saam met esters met 'n langdurende werking aksie gebruik word. Die dosis

gedurende medium- tot langtermyn behandeling behoort in die algemeen tot die minimum wat nodig is om die simptome te beheer, beperk te word.

Steroïede kan op hulle eie gedurende behandeling, Cushing-tipe sindrome veroorsaak met merkbare verandering in vet-, koolhidraat-, proteïen- en mineraalmetabolisme met byvoorbeeld die voorkoms van herdistribusie van liggaamsvet, spierswakheid en weefselkwynning en osteoporose. Gedurende behandeling onderdruk effektiewe dosisse die Hypotalamo-pituitêre-adrenale asse. Na staking van behandeling kan simptome van adrenele ontoereikendheid tot adrenokortikool atropie voorkom en dit kan veroorsaak dat die diere nie spanningvolle situasies behoorlik kan hanteer nie. Aandag behoort dus gegee te word om die probleme van adrenele ontoereikendheid na staking van behandeling te verminder deur byvoorbeeld die dosis gelydelik te verminder.

Sistemiese kortikosteroïede kan aanleiding gee tot poliurie, polydipsie en polyfagie, veral gedurende die vroeë stadium van behandeling. Sommige kortikosteroïede kan tydens langdurende gebruik aanleiding gee tot natrium- en waterretensie en hipokalemie. Sistemiese kortikosteroïede het neerslag van kalsium in die vel gehad (Calcinosis cutis).

Steroïede kan vergroting van die lever (hepatomegalie) met 'n toename in serum lewerensiemeroorsaak.

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Geen.

**IDENTIFIKASIE**  
Steriele oplossing glasflës.

**AANBIEDING**  
Helder/amberkleurige 50 ml glasflës met bromobutielrubberprop en 'n aluminium seël.

**BERGINGSANWYSINGS**  
**HOU BUITE DIE BEREIK VAN KINDERS.**  
Bewaar teen of benede 25°C.

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**VETERINARY MEDICINES**

**SCHEDULING STATUS**

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**PROPRIETARY NAME AND DOSAGE FORM**

**COLVASONE INJECTION**

**COMPOSITION**

A sterile solution containing Dexamethasone sodium phosphate 2 mg/ml and Benzyl alcohol 20 mg/ml as preservative.

**PHARMACOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION**  
C 3.1.1 Steroidals

**PHARMACOLOGICAL ACTION**

Dexamethasone is a corticosteroid with anti-inflammatory and glucocorticoid properties, and little mineralocorticoid activity. Corticosteroids influence protein, carbohydrate and fat metabolism, electrolyte and water balance and the functional capabilities of the cardiovascular system, the kidneys and skeletal muscles, the nervous system and other organs and tissues.

**TARGET SPECIES**

Horses, cattle, calves, pigs, sheep and goats, dogs and cats.

**INDICATIONS**

Dexamethasone is a synthetic corticosteroid with a highly potent anti-inflammatory action. COLVASONE can be used for:  
1) Intravenous therapy in cases where emergency treatment is indicated, particularly shock and circulatory collapse, fog fever (acute bovine pulmonary oedema and emphysema), acute mastitis and burns.  
2) Acetonaemia (ketosis) in cattle. COLVASONE has a marked gluconeogenic action.  
3) Inflammatory conditions in all species: COLVASONE will suppress inflammation and is indicated in the treatment of arthritis, laminitis, dermatitis, etc.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS**

Systemic corticosteroid therapy is generally contraindicated in patients with renal disease, diabetes mellitus, and congestive heart failure and generalised bone disease (osteoporosis). Corticosteroids are not recommended for use in pregnant animals. Administration in early pregnancy is known to have caused foetal abnormalities in animals. Administration in late pregnancy may cause early parturition or abortion. Corticosteroids may delay wound healing and the immunosuppressant actions may weaken resistance to or exacerbate existing infections. In the presence of bacterial infection, anti-bacterial medicine cover is usually required when steroids are used. In the presence of viral infections, steroids may worsen or hasten the progress of the

disease.

Gastrointestinal ulceration has been reported in animals treated with corticosteroids and this may be exacerbated by steroids in patients given nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medicines and corticosteroid-treated animals with spinal cord trauma. Use of this product in horses may induce laminitis and therefore careful observations during treatment should be made. During the course of treatment the situation should be reviewed frequently by close veterinarian supervision.

**WARNINGS AND SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS**

Wound healing may be delayed. Gradual withdrawal is advisable following a prolonged course of treatment. Administration during the latter stages of pregnancy in cattle and sheep may induce early parturition. Foetal abnormalities have been observed in rodents, rabbits and dogs, particularly when the medicine was administered during the first trimester. Following injection with COLVASONE, corticosteroid activity persists for up to 12 hours. Withdrawal times: Cattle, pigs, sheep and goats must not be slaughtered for human consumption during treatment. Cattle, pigs, sheep and goats may be slaughtered for human consumption only after 21 days from the last treatment. Milk for human consumption must not be taken during treatment. Milk for human consumption may be taken from treated cattle, sheep and goats only after 72 hours from the last treatment. Do not use in horses intended for human consumption.

**DOSAGE AND DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

By intravenous or intramuscular injection. Normal aseptic precautions should be observed.  
Horses and Cattle: 5 to 20 ml  
Calves, pigs, sheep and goats: 1 to 5 ml  
Dogs: 0,25 to 2 ml  
Cats: 0,25 to 0,5 ml

e.g.

Horse	500 kg	10 to 20 ml
Cow	400 kg	10 to 16 ml
Sheep	50 kg	2 ml
Pig	50 kg	2 ml
Dog	10 kg	0,5 to 1 ml
Cat	5 kg	0,25 to 0,5 ml

**SIDE EFFECTS**

Anti-inflammatory corticosteroids, such as dexamethasone, are known to exert a wide range of side effects. Whilst single high doses are generally well tolerated, they may induce severe side effects in long term use and when esters possessing a long duration of action are administered. Dosage in medium to long term use should therefore generally be kept to a minimum necessary to control symptoms.

Steroids themselves, during treatment,

may cause Cushingoid symptoms involving significant alterations of fat, carbohydrate, protein and mineral metabolism, e.g. redistribution of body fat, muscle weakness and wastage and osteoporosis may result. During therapy effective doses suppress the Hypothalamo-pituitary-adrenal axis. Following cessation of treatment, symptoms of adrenal insufficiency extending to adrenocortical atrophy can arise and this may render the animal unable to deal adequately with stressful situations. Consideration should therefore be given to means of minimizing problems of adrenal insufficiency following the withdrawal of treatment, e.g. a gradual reduction of dosage.

Systemically acting corticosteroids may cause polyuria, polydipsia and polyphagia, particularly during the early stages of therapy. Some corticosteroids may cause sodium and water retention and hypokalaemia in long term use. Systemic corticosteroids have caused deposition of calcium in the skin (Calcinosis cutis).

Steroids may cause enlargement of the liver (hepatomegaly) with increased serum hepatic enzymes.

**KNOWN SYMPTOMS OF OVERDOSAGE AND PARTICULARS OF ITS TREATMENT**  
None.

**IDENTIFICATION**

Sterile solution in glass ampoules.

**PRESENTATION**

Clear/amber 50 ml glass vials with bromobutyl rubber bung with aluminium overseal.

**STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS**

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. Store at or below 25°C.

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