

Omeprazole - Main

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Omeprazole is a proton pump inhibitor (or strong antacid) to help treat stomach ulcers and prevent future ulcers. Pre-calibrated syringes are available from your veterinarian.

WHAT IS THIS DRUG?

A proton pump inhibitor which suppresses acid production in the stomach

Given by mouth

REASONS FOR PRESCRIBING:

Used to treat and prevent stomach and upper intestinal ulcers

Used in conditions in which there is too much acid in the stomach

WHAT DOGS/CATS SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS MEDICATION?

Use with caution in pets with liver or kidney disease

Animals less than 4 weeks of age

Safety during pregnancy and nursing is unknown

If your pet has had an allergic reaction to Omeprazole or like products

DIRECTIONS:

Read and follow the prescription label carefully.

Give the exact amount prescribed and only as often as directed.

Give this medication for as long as your veterinarian directs. Do not skip doses or stop giving the medication without consulting your veterinarian. Missed doses reduce the effectiveness of therapy. This medication is usually only used temporarily, long term use (greater than 4 weeks) is not recommended.

Baseline blood work may be recommended to assess your pet's general health before starting this medication. Dose adjustments may be made based upon an assessment of how your dog or cat is responding clinically.

Ideally, this medication is given before the first meal of the day.

If using capsules, do not open the capsules or crush the pellets inside. Do not allow your pet to chew capsules or tablets.

This medication should take effect within 1 to 2 days. You should see improvements in your pet's clinical signs.

Ideally, give this medication at the same time(s) daily.

Call ahead for refills.

WHAT IF A DOSE IS MISSED?

If a dose is missed, give it as soon as you can. If it is time already for the next dose, skip the missed dose and go back to the normal schedule. Do not give two doses at the same time.

WHAT TO TELL/ASK YOUR VETERINARIAN BEFORE GIVING THIS MEDICATION?

Talk to your veterinarian about:

When your pet will need to be rechecked

What tests may need to be performed prior to and during treatment with this drug

What are the risks and benefits of using this drug

Tell your veterinarian about:

If your pet has experienced side effects on other drugs/products

If your pet has experienced digestive upset now or ever

If your pet has experienced liver or kidney disease now or ever

If your pet has experienced any other medical problems or allergies now or ever

All medicines and supplements that you are giving your pet or plan to give your pet, including those you can get without a prescription. Your veterinarian may want to check that all of your pet's medicines can be given together.

If your pet is pregnant or nursing or if you plan to breed your pet

STORAGE AND WARNINGS:

Store in a tight, light resistant, childproof container in a cool, dry place at room temperature away from heat and direct sunlight.

Keep this and all medication out of reach of children and pets.

Call your physician immediately if you accidentally take this product.

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

Loss of appetite, stomach ache, nausea, vomiting, gas and diarrhea

If these symptoms persist or you notice anything else unusual, contact your veterinarian

This moderate-acting medication should stop working in a few days, although effects may last longer in pets with liver or kidney disease

CAN THIS DRUG BE GIVEN WITH OTHER MEDICATIONS?

Yes, but possible interactions may occur when giving Omeprazole in conjunction with alprazolam, ampicillin, diazepam, cefpodoxime, cephalexin, clarithromycin, clopidogrel, clorazepate, cyanocobalamin (vitamin B12), cyclosporine, digoxin, furosemide, hydrochlorothiazide, iron, itraconazole, ketoconazole, iron salts, ketoconazole, levothyroxine, methotrexate, mycophenolate, phenobarbital, rifampin and warfarin

Drugs other than those listed may also interact with Omeprazole

Do not give new food or medications without first talking to your veterinarian

If your pet experiences any unusual reactions when taking multiple medications, contact your veterinarian.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I KNOW OF OR SUSPECT THERE HAS BEEN AN OVERDOSE?

Contact your veterinarian immediately if your pet receives more than the prescribed amount.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

Notify your veterinarian if your animal's condition does not improve or worsens despite this treatment.

As with all prescribed medicines, Omeprazole should only be given to the pet for which it was prescribed. It should be given only for the condition for which it was prescribed.

This is just a summary of information about Omeprazole. If you have any questions or concerns about Omeprazole or the condition for which it was prescribed, contact your veterinarian.