Pancreatic Enzymes - Main

Pancreatic Enzymes - Capsule (Cats)

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Trade Names:

PanaKare[™] Plus Powder, PanaKare[™] Plus Tablets, Pancreatic enzyme concentrate Powder, Pancreatic enzyme concentrate Tablets, PancrePlus[™] Powder, Pancreaved

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Pancreatic Enzymes are used in dogs and cats for the treatment of exocrine pancreatic insufficiency (EPI) or maldigestion syndrome. The powder, tablets or capsules are given with each meal.

WHAT IS THIS PRODUCT?

A collection of secretions or enzymes from the pancreas (usually pork) that are given to pets whose pancreas has stopped functioning

These enzymes (lipase, amylase, protease) are needed to help digest fat, protein and carbohydrates

Pancreatic Enzymes are given by mouth

REASONS FOR PRESCRIBING:

To treat Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency (EPI)

To help your pet gain weight lost due to EPI

To help diagnose pancreatic insufficiency secondary to chronic pancreatic disease

WHAT DOGS/CATS SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS PRODUCT?

Pets allergic to pork

If your pet has had an allergic reaction to Pancreatic Enzymes or like products before

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 often given for the life of your pet. Baseline laboratory 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. Stool consistency and frequency are monitored for signs of improvement. As your pet's diarrhea improves, your veterinarian may decrease the dose to the least amount that prevents diarrhea and allows your pet to gain weight.

Powder: Mix the prescribed dose in your pet's food. If feeding dry food, moisten the food with warm water and then add the enzymes. Allow this mixture to stand 15-20 minutes before feeding your pet.

Solid dosage forms (tablets and capsules) should also be given with each meal. Ensure the dose if followed with food or water to reduce the risk of ulcers in the mouth or esophagus.

Feeding several small meals a day is usually found to be most helpful. Ensure your pet has access to fresh water at all times.

This medication will take effect quickly, in about 1 to 2 hours, but its effects may not be visibly noticeable for a few days.

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, regardless of feeding status. 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 will your pet 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 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.

Inhalation of the powder can be irritating to both human and animal lungs and throats and may cause an asthma attack. Do not inhale this powder nor allow your pet to inhale the powder.

Powder will burn or irritate skin on contact. Wash your skin or your pet's skin immediately upon contact. Wash your hands after handling this product.

Call your physician immediately if you accidentally take this product.

POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS:

If any of the following side effects occur, contact your veterinarian immediately: hives, difficult breathing, swelling (lips, tongue or face)

May cause mouth irritation if it hasn't been mixed well with moistened food and allowed to stand

High doses may cause nausea, cramping, diarrhea or vomiting

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

This short-acting medication should stop working within 24 hours, although effects may last longer in pets with liver or kidney disease

CAN THIS PRODUCT BE GIVEN WITH OTHER MEDICATIONS?

Yes, but possible interactions may occur when giving Pancreatic Enzymes in conjunction with antacids, cimetidine, H2 blockers, proton pump inhibitors, vitamins or supplements

Drugs other than those listed may also interact with Pancreatic Enzymes

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 consumes 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 products/medicines, Pancreatic Enzymes 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 Pancreatic Enzymes. If you have any questions or concerns about Pancreatic Enzymes or the condition for which it was prescribed, contact your veterinarian.