

Summary of Product Characteristics

1 NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Boviseal Dry cow intramammary suspension

2 QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

Each 4g intramammary syringe contains:

Active substance:

Bismuth subnitrate, heavy 2.6 g
(equivalent to Bismuth, heavy 1.858 g)

Excipient(s):

For the full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

3 PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Intramammary suspension.
Greyish white, smooth, unctuous suspension.

4 CLINICAL PARTICULARS

4.1 Target Species

Cattle (dairy cows at drying-off).

4.2 Indications for use, specifying the target species

Prevention of new intramammary infections throughout the dry period.

In cows considered likely to be free of sub-clinical mastitis, the product can be used on its own in dry cow management and mastitis control.

4.3 Contraindications

See section 4.7. Do not use the product alone in cows with sub-clinical mastitis at drying off. Do not use in cows with clinical mastitis at drying off.

Do not use in known cases of hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients.

4.4 Special warnings for each target species

Selection of cows for treatment with the product should be based on veterinary clinical judgement. Selection criteria may be based on the mastitis and cell count history of individual cows or recognised tests for the detection of subclinical mastitis or bacteriology sampling.

4.5 Special precautions for use

Special precautions for use in animals

It is good practice to observe dry cows regularly for signs of clinical mastitis. If a sealed quarter develops clinical mastitis, the affected quarter should be stripped out manually before appropriate therapy is instituted.

To reduce the risk of contamination, do not immerse the syringe in water.

Use the syringe only once.

Since the product does not have antimicrobial activity, in order to minimize the risk of acute mastitis due to poor infusion technique and lack of hygiene (see section 4.6), it is crucial to follow the aseptic technique of administration described in section 4.9.

Do not administer any other intramammary product following administration of the product. In cows that may have sub-clinical mastitis, the product may be used following administration of a suitable dry cow antibiotic treatment to the infected quarter.

Special precautions to be taken by the person administering the veterinary medicinal product to animals

This product may cause skin and eye irritation.

Avoid contact with skin or eyes.

Should skin or eye contact occur, wash the affected area thoroughly with water.

If irritation persists, seek medical advice and show this label to the physician.

If you know that you are allergic to bismuth salts, avoid using this product.

Wash hands after use.

4.6 Adverse reactions (frequency and seriousness)

Acute mastitis has been reported very rarely after use of this product, primarily due to the poor infusion technique and lack of hygiene. Please refer to sections 4.5 and 4.9 regarding the importance of aseptic technique.

The frequency of adverse reactions is defined using the following convention:

- very common (more than 1 in 10 animals treated displaying adverse reactions(s))
- common (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 100 animals treated)
- uncommon (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 1,000 animals treated)
- rare (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 10,000 animals treated)
- very rare (less than 1 animal in 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports).

4.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay

Pregnancy:

The product is not absorbed following intramammary infusion, it can be used in pregnant animals. At calving, the seal may be ingested by the calf. Ingestion of the product by the calf is safe and produces no adverse effects.

Lactation:

The product is contra-indicated for use during lactation. If accidentally used in a lactating cow, a small (up to 2-fold) transient rise in somatic cell count may be observed. In such an event, strip out the seal manually, no additional precautions are necessary.

4.8 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interactions

In clinical trials, the compatibility of the product has only been shown with a cloxacillin-containing dry cow preparation. See also section 4.5 "Special precautions for use in animals".

4.9 Amounts to be administered and administration route

For intramammary use only.

Infuse the contents of one intramammary syringe of the product into each udder quarter immediately after the last milking of the lactation (at drying off). Do not massage the teat or udder after infusion of the product.

Care must be taken not to introduce pathogens into the teat in order to reduce the risk of post-infusion mastitis.

It is essential that the teat is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected, with surgical spirit or alcohol-impregnated wipes. The teats should be wiped until the wipes are no longer visibly dirty. Teats should be allowed to dry prior to infusion. Infuse aseptically and take care to avoid contamination of the syringe nozzle. Following infusion it is advisable to use an appropriate teat dip or spray.

Under cold conditions the product may be warmed to room temperature in a warm environment, to aid syringeability.

4.10 Overdose (symptoms, emergency procedures, antidotes), if necessary

Twice the recommended dose has been administered to cows with no clinical adverse effects.

4.11 Withdrawal period(s)

Meat: Zero days.

Milk: Zero hours.

5 PHARMACOLOGICAL or IMMUNOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

Pharmacotherapeutic group: Various products for teats and udder

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5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Infusion of the product into each udder quarter produces a physical barrier against the entry of bacteria there by reducing the incidence of new intramammary infections during the dry period.

5.2 Pharmacokinetic particulars

Bismuth subnitrate is not absorbed from the mammary gland, but resides as a seal in the teat until physically removed (shown in cows with a dry period up to 100 days).

6 PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Liquid paraffin

Aluminium Di Tri Stearate

Silica, Colloidal Anhydrous

6.2 Major incompatibilities

None known.

6.3 Shelf-life

Shelf-life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 5 years

6.4 Special precautions for storage

This veterinary medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

6.5 Nature and composition of immediate packaging

A 4g single dose low-density polyethylene intramammary syringe with a smooth, tapered hermetically sealed nozzle.

Available in boxes of 24, 60 and 120 syringes.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed

6.6 Special precautions for the disposal of unused veterinary medicinal products or waste materials derived from the use of such products

Any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived from such veterinary medicinal product should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

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