# WARNING KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY RESTRICTED VETERINARY MEDICINE

## **Carprieve Injection**

# READ THE ENTIRE PACKAGE INSERT BEFORE USE

#### PRESENTATION:

Carprieve Injection is an injectable solution containing 50mg carprofen per mL, with benzyl alcohol (10mg/mL) as preservative. Carprieve Injection is a clear sterile solution that is packed in 20mL multidose amber glass vials.

#### **INDICATIONS:**

Contains carprofen, a nonsteriodal antiinflammatory (NSAID) with analgesic and antipyretic properties. Indicated in the dog for the control of post-operative pain and inflammation following orthopaedic and soft tissue (including intra-ocular) surgery; in the cat for the control of postoperative pain following surgery; and in the horse for the treatment of musculo-skeletal disorders and for anti-inflammatory treatment after surgery.

### DOSAGE & ADMINISTRATION:

**Dogs:** The recommended dosage is 4 mg/kg (1mL/12.5 kg) bodyweight. To be administered by intravenous or subcutaneous injection, best given prior to surgery at the induction of anaesthesia or at the same time as premedication. This dose can be repeated again after 24 hours and can be followed by **Carprieve Tablets 20 mg** or **50 mg** (ACVM No. 9026, 9025) for up to 5 days. After this period, another clinical evaluation is required.

Cats: The recommended dosage is 4 mg/kg (0.24mL/3 kg) bodyweight. To be administered by intravenous or subcutaneous injection, best given prior to surgery at the induction of anaesthesia or at the same time as premedication. To measure the dose accurately, a 1 mL graduated syringe is recommended.

Horses: The recommended dosage is 0.7 mg/kg (1mL/70 kg) bodyweight. To be administered by intravenous injection as a single dose. This dose can be repeated again after 24 hours, or can be followed by oral NSAID therapy for up to 5 days. After this period, another clinical evaluation is required.

### CONTRAINDICATIONS, WARNINGS:

FOR INTRAVENOUS USE ONLY IN THE HORSE

Do not administer by intramuscular injection. Do not exceed the stated dose or the duration of treatment. Do not administer other NSAIDs concurrently or within 24 hours of each other.

Toxic effects can occur when drugs that are highly bound to plasma proteins (such as NSAIDs) compete with other highly bound drugs, leading to excess free drug(s) in plasma.

Do not use where there is a possibility of gastro-intestinal ulceration or bleeding; in animals suffering from cardiac, hepatic or renal disease; or where there is evidence of a blood dyscrasia or hypersensitivity to the product.

Use in animals less than 6 weeks of age or in aged animals may involve additional risk. If prescribed in such cases, animals may require a reduced dosage and careful clinical management. Avoid use in any dehydrated, hypovolaemic or hypotensive animals, as there is a potential risk of increased renal toxicity. Concurrent administration of potential nephrotoxic drugs should be avoided. No specific studies have been reported in pregnant dogs. NSAIDs can inhibit phagocytosis; thus appropriate antimicrobial therapy should be given concurrently in the treatment of inflammatory conditions associated with bacterial infection.

#### **WITHHOLDING PERIOD:**

It is an offence for users of this product to cause residues exceeding the relevant MRL in the Food Notice: Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds.

**Meat:** Horses producing meat or offal for human consumption must not be sold for slaughter either during treatment or within **63 days** of the last treatment.

#### **Further information:**

Experimental and clinical evidence suggests that gastro-intestinal tract ulceration is rare with use of carprofen in the dog, and only occurs at dosages well above the therapeutic dose.

Clinical trial evidence in dogs and cats suggests that only a single dose of carprofen is required in the 24 hours peri-operatively. If further analgesia is required within this period, administer either a single half dose of carprofen (2 mg/kg), or an opiate.

#### WARNING

#### **Handling Precautions:**

May be harmful if swallowed. Repeated exposure may cause skin allergy. May possibly affect gastrointestinal tract. Handle this product with care to avoid oral and skin exposure.

#### First Aid:

If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting. For advice contact the National Poisons Centre, phone 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) or a doctor immediately.

#### Disposal:

Preferably dispose of product by use or dispose of product, packaging and waste at an approved landfill or equivalent facility.

Store below 25°C.
Discard unused product 28 days after broaching.

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