

ampicare[®] 250mg

Ampicare[®] 250mg Hard Capsules

For the treatment and prevention of infections in Dogs caused by bacteria sensitive to ampicillin

Ampicillin trihydrate 250mg

Presentation: Red and grey capsules for oral administration. Each capsule contains 250mg ampicillin (as ampicillin trihydrate).

Uses:

Ampicillin is a broad spectrum antibiotic active against many Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria. Ampicare can be used for the treatment and prevention of infections in dogs caused by the following bacteria provided that they are sensitive to ampicillin: *Streptococcus spp.*, *Pasteurella haemolytica*, *P. multocida*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and other pathogenic staphylococci (non β lactamase producing). When susceptible organisms are present, treatment with Ampicare may be effective in the following conditions: alimentary tract infections, respiratory infections, urinary tract infections,

Dosage: 10-20mg/kg twice daily. The higher dose levels are advised when treating infections due to Gram negative bacteria and in cases involving young animals. Therapy should be treated every 12 hours and continued for a maximum of 5 days. In severe or acute conditions, the dose levels may be increased. To be given by the oral route only, the capsules should be administered on an empty stomach.

Contra-indications, warnings etc.:

For animal treatment only

Keep out of the sight and reach of children

As with all penicillins the product may cause hypersensitivity (allergy) following ingestion.

Not to be administered to animals known to be sensitive to penicillin.

Not to be administered to small herbivores.

Do not treat dogs less than 10kg bodyweight.

As with all other penicillins, bacterial resistance to ampicillin may occur. Thus antibiotic sensitivity testing should be considered if a clinical condition fails to respond to treatment within 3 to 5 days.

Special precautions for use:

Operator warning: Penicillins and cephalosporins may cause sensitisation hypersensitivity (allergy) following injection, inhalation, ingestion or skin contact.

Hypersensitivity to penicillins may lead to cross

reactions to cephalosporins and visa versa.

Allergic reactions to these substances may occasionally be serious.

1. Do not handle this product if you know that you are sensitised or if you have been advised not to work with such preparations.
2. Handle this product with great care to avoid exposure, taking all recommended precautions.
3. If you develop symptoms following exposure such as a skin rash you should seek medical advice and show the doctor this warning. Swelling of the face, lips or eyes, or difficulty with breathing are more serious symptoms and require urgent medical attention.

Wash hands after use.

Drug interactions: Ampicillin is unlikely to interact significantly with any of the other drugs commonly administered to dogs. It is not recommended to administer bactericidal and bacteriostatic antibiotics concomitantly.

Use during pregnancy or lactation: No studies have been carried out on pregnant animals, but the evidence provided suggests that ampicillin does not present any particular hazard either to the dam or foetus.

Disposal: Dispose of any unused product and empty containers in accordance with guidance from your local waste regulation authority.

Pharmaceutical precautions: Do not store above 25°C. Store in a dry place.

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To be supplied only on veterinary prescription.

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