



COMMITTEE FOR VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

HYDROCHLORIC ACID

SUMMARY REPORT

1. Dilute hydrochloric acid is widely used in veterinary medicines to modify the pH of formulations.
2. Hydrochloric acid in dilute solutions dissociates into hydroxonium and chloride ions, both of which are abundant in all biological fluids. Establishment of MRLs would therefore be inappropriate.
3. It is recommended that hydrochloric acid be entered into Annex II (no MRL required) of Council Regulation (EC) N° 2377/90.