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Veterinary Medicines Division

Pharmacovigilance-related regulatory recommendations for centrally authorised veterinary medicinal products during 2023 (Updated monthly)

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Previous regulatory recommendations and ongoing procedures are outlined in pharmacovigilance-related regulatory recommendations for centrally authorised veterinary medicinal products during **2022** ([EMA/CVMP/PhVWP/48138/2022](#)), during **2021** ([EMA/CVMP/PhVWP/105691/2021](#)) and during **2020** ([EMA/CVMP/PhVWP/112926/2020](#)).

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Apoquel (oclacitinib maleate)	15-16 May 2023	Section 3.6 of SPC and Section 7 of PL for Apoquel:	
		Target species: Dogs	
		Very rare (<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports):	anaemia, lymphoma, convulsion

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Cimalgex (cimicoxib)	11-13 July 2023	<p>Section 4.6 of SPC for Cimalgex:</p> <p>\...</p> <p>Other adverse reactions including anorexia or lethargy or polyuria and/or polydipsia may also be observed on rare occasions.</p> <p>...</p> <p>If adverse reactions such as persistent vomiting, repeated diarrhoea, faecal occult blood, sudden weight loss, anorexia, lethargy or worsening of renal or hepatic biochemistry parameters occur, use of the product should be discontinued and appropriate monitoring and/or treatment should be put in place.</p> <p>Severe gastrointestinal and renal adverse events may be fatal.'</p> <p>Section 6 of PL for Cimalgex:</p> <p>\...</p> <p>Other adverse reactions including loss of appetite or lethargy or frequent urination and/or excessive thirst may also be observed on rare occasions.</p> <p>...</p> <p>If adverse reactions such as persistent vomiting, repeated diarrhoea, blood in the stools, sudden weight loss, loss of appetite, lethargy or worsening of liver or kidney function results occur, use of the product should be discontinued, and the advice of your veterinary surgeon should be sought immediately.</p> <p>Severe adverse events in the gastrointestinal tract and kidneys may be fatal.'</p>	
Galliprant (grapiprant) <i>The text presentation has been adapted in line with changes mandated by Regulation (EU) 2019/6</i>	21-22 March 2023	<p>Section 3.6 of SPC for Galliprant:</p> <p>Target species: Dogs</p>	
		Very common (>1 animal / 10 animals treated):	Vomiting
		Common (1 to 10 animals / 100 animals treated):	Loose stool, Diarrhoea Inappetence
		Very rare (<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports):	Haematemesis, Haemorrhagic diarrhoea Pancreatitis

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			<div>Elevated blood urea nitrogen (BUN), Elevated creatinine, Elevated liver enzymes, Hypoalbuminaemia¹, Hypoproteinaemia¹</div> <div>¹ These signs were not associated with any clinically significant observations or events.</div> <div>Section 7 of PL for Galliprant: Target species: Dogs</div> <table><tr><td>Very common (> 1 animal / 10 animals treated):</td></tr><tr><td>Vomiting</td></tr><tr><td>Common (1 to 10 animals / 100 animals treated):</td></tr><tr><td>Loose stool, Diarrhoea Inappetence</td></tr><tr><td>Very rare (<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports):</td></tr><tr><td>Haematemesis, Haemorrhagic diarrhoea</td></tr></table> <div>Pancreatic inflammation Elevated blood urea nitrogen (BUN), Elevated creatinine, Elevated liver enzymes, Hypoalbuminaemia¹, Hypoproteinaemia¹</div> <div>¹ These signs were not associated with any clinically significant observations or events.</div>	Very common (> 1 animal / 10 animals treated):	Vomiting	Common (1 to 10 animals / 100 animals treated):	Loose stool, Diarrhoea Inappetence	Very rare (<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports):	Haematemesis, Haemorrhagic diarrhoea
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Neptra (florfenicol/terbinafine hydrochloride/mometasone furoate)	18-20 April 2023	Section 4.5 of SPC for Neptra: <u>Special precautions for use in animals</u> '... Caution should be taken to prevent the veterinary medicinal product from getting into the eyes of the dog being treated e.g. by restraining the dog’s head to prevent shaking (see section 4.9). In case of exposure to the eye, rinse with plenty of water. The safety and efficacy of the veterinary medicinal product in cats has not been evaluated. Post-marketing surveillance shows that the use of the product in cats can be associated with							

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		Common (1 to 10 animals / 100 animals treated):	localised skin reaction (e.g. alopecia, dermatitis, pruritus)
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