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Publicly Available Assessment Report for a Veterinary Medicinal Product

SELAPRO 45 mg spot-on solution for cats (2.6–7.5 kg)

PRODUCT SUMMARY

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	countries where a vector exists should be tested for existing adult heartworm infections before beginning medication with Selamectin. This product is not effective against adult <i>D. immitis</i> . Treatment of ear mites (Otodectes cynotis). • Treatment of biting lice infestations (Felicola subrostratus) • Treatment of adult roundworms (Toxocara cati) • Treatment of adult intestinal hookworms (Ancylostoma tubaeforme).
ATCvet code	QP54AA05
Concerned Member States	UK

PUBLIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

The public assessment report reflects the scientific conclusion reached by the HPRA at the end of the evaluation process and provides a summary of the grounds for approval of the marketing authorisation for the specific veterinary medicinal product. It is made available by the HPRA for information to the public, after the deletion of commercially confidential information. The legal basis for its creation and availability is contained in Article 25.4 of EC Directive 2001/82/EC as amended by Directive 2004/28/EC for veterinary medicinal products. It is a concise document which highlights the main parts of the documentation submitted by the applicant and the scientific evaluation carried out by the HPRA leading to the approval of the product for marketing in Ireland.

The Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) for this product is available on the HPRA's website.

I. SCIENTIFIC OVERVIEW

The product is produced and controlled using validated methods and tests, which ensure the consistency of the product released on the market.

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It has been shown that the product can be safely used in the target species; the slight reactions observed are indicated in the SPC.

The product is safe for the user and for the environment, when used as recommended. Suitable warnings and precautions are indicated in the SPC. The efficacy of the product was demonstrated according to the claims made in the SPC.

The overall benefit/risk analysis is in favour of granting a marketing authorisation.

II. QUALITY ASPECTS

Each pipette contains 45 mg selamectin and the excipients butylhydroxytoluene (E321), isopropyl alcohol and diethylene glycol monoethyl ether.

The product is presented as a: 0.75 ml single dose pipette which is moulded from a film composed of 3 layers: a polypropylene/COC/polypropylene, solvent free lacquer laminate and a copolymer of polyethylene/EVOH/polyethylene.

Box with 1, 3, 4, 6 and 24 unit dose pipettes.

The product is an established pharmaceutical form and its development is adequately described in accordance with the relevant European guidelines.

B. Method of Preparation of the Product

The product is manufactured fully in accordance with the principles of good manufacturing practice at a licensed manufacturing site.

Process validation data on the product have been presented in accordance with the relevant European guidelines.

C. Control of Starting Materials

The active substances is selamectin an established active substance. The active substance is manufactured in accordance with the principles of good manufacturing practice.

The active substance specification is considered adequate to control the quality of the materials. Batch analytical data demonstrating compliance with this specifications have been provided.

Specific Measures concerning the Prevention of the Transmission of Animal Spongiform Encephalopathies

There are no substances within the scope of the TSE Guideline present or used in the manufacture of this product.

D. Control on intermediate products Not applicable.

E. Control Tests on the Finished Product

The finished product specification controls the relevant parameters for the pharmaceutical form. The tests in the specification, and their limits, have been justified and are considered appropriate to adequately control the quality of the product. Satisfactory validation data for the analytical methods have been provided. Batch analytical data from the proposed production site have been provided demonstrating compliance with the specification.

F. Stability

Stability data on the active substances have been provided in accordance with applicable European guidelines, demonstrating the stability of the active substances when stored under the approved conditions.

Stability data on the finished product have been provided in accordance with applicable European guidelines, demonstrating the stability of the product throughout its shelf life when stored under the approved conditions.

III SAFETY AND RESIDUES ASSESSMENT (PHARMACO-TOXICOLOGICAL)

The application has been submitted in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 13 of Directive 2001/82/EC, as amended (a hybrid veterinary medicinal product). The reference veterinary medicinal products are Stronghold Spot-On for Dogs/Cats — containing selamectin.

III.A Safety Testing Pharmacological Studies

It was claimed that the product has the same qualitative and quantitative composition of active ingredient and excipients as the reference veterinary medicinal product, Stronghold spot-on (i.e. it is claimed to be identical).

Both products are spot-on solutions and they are used in the same species, for the same indications, in the same doses and using the same administration method. The applicant claimed that the candidate formulation is identical to that of the reference product, Stronghold spot-on, based upon the results of comparative studies conducted using the reference product and the candidate formulation, comparing the qualitative and quantitative composition of candidate and reference products. Based upon the results of those studies, the applicant has satisfactorily demonstrated that the candidate product is qualitatively and quantitatively the same as the reference product in terms of the active substance (selamectin) and the excipients.

Hence bioequivalence can be assumed and in vivo bioequivalence studies are not required. Given that bioequivalence with the authorised reference product can be accepted and that the test product is intended to be administered to the same target species, using the same routes of administration at the same dose rates as already approved for the reference product, the applicant is not required to provide the results of safety and residue tests or of pre-clinical and clinical trials.

Toxicological studies

This is a hybrid application according to Article 13 (3), and as bioequivalence with a reference product is accepted, results of toxicological tests are not required. The safety aspects of this product are expected to be identical to those of the reference product.

Warnings and precautions as listed on the product literature are broadly in line with those of the reference product.

User Safety

The applicant has provided a user safety assessment in compliance with the relevant guideline which shows that the risk to the user associated with this product is identical to that of the reference product. The proposed user safety statements are broadly in line with those of the reference product and are generally acceptable. Warnings and precautions as listed on the product literature are adequate to ensure safety to users of the product:

- This product is highly flammable; keep away from heat, sparks, open flames or other sources of ignition.
- Do not smoke, eat or drink while handling the product.
- Wash hands after use and wash off any product in contact with the skin immediately with soap and water. If accidental eye exposure occurs, flush the eyes immediately with water and seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician.
- Avoid direct contact with treated animals until the application site is dry.
 On the day of treatment, children must not handle treated animals and the
 animals should not be permitted to sleep with their owners, especially
 children. Used applicators should be disposed of immediately and not left
 within the sight or reach of children.
- People with sensitive skin or known allergy to veterinary medicinal products of this type should handle the veterinary medicinal product with caution.
- Keep out of sight and reach of children.

In addition the product is presented in child resistant packaging.

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Environmental Risk Assessment

Phase I

The environmental risk assessment can stop in Phase I, Question No. 3, because the medicine will be used only in non-food animals.

It is acknowledged that selamectin may be toxic to aquatic organisms and it is accepted that the environmental safety statements agreed for the reference product can be applied to this product.

Conclusion

Based on the data provided, the ERA can stop at Phase I. The product is not expected to pose an unacceptable risk for the environment when used according to the SPC.

IV. CLINICAL ASSESSMENT See Part III.A

As this is a hybrid application according to Article 13 (3), and bioequivalence with a reference product is accepted, efficacy studies are not required. The efficacy claims for this product are expected to be equivalent to those of the reference product. In addition, it is considered that the risk to the target species will be similar for both the test and the reference products. The product literature accurately reflects the type and incidence of adverse effects which might be expected.

V. OVERALL CONCLUSION AND BENEFIT/RISK ASSESSMENT

The data submitted in the dossier demonstrate that when the product is used in accordance with the Summary of Product Characteristics, the benefit/risk profile for the target species is favourable and the quality and safety of the product for humans and the environment is acceptable.

VI. POST-AUTHORISATION ASSESSMENTS

The SPC and package leaflet may be updated to include new information on the quality, safety and efficacy of the veterinary medicinal product. The current SPC is available on the HPRA website.

This section contains information on significant changes which have been made after the original procedure which are important for the quality, safety or efficacy of the product.

None.

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