

PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE OUTER PACKAGE {Cardboard box/50, 100 and 250 ml}

1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Draxxin 25 mg/ml Solution for injection,

2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE AND OTHER SUBSTANCES

Tulathromycin 25 mg/ml

3. PACKAGE SIZE

50 ml

100 ml

250 ml

4. TARGET SPECIES

Pigs.

5. INDICATION(S)

6. ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION

Intramuscular use.

7. WITHDRAWAL PERIODS

Withdrawal period:

Meat and offal: 13 days.

8. EXPIRY DATE

Exp. {mm/yyyy}

Once broached use within 28 days.

9. SPECIAL STORAGE PRECAUTIONS

10. THE WORDS “READ THE PACKAGE LEAFLET BEFORE USE”

Read the package leaflet before use.

11. THE WORDS “FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY”

For animal treatment only.

12. THE WORDS “KEEP OUT OF THE SIGHT AND REACH OF CHILDREN”

Keep out of the sight and reach of children.

13. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

Zoetis UK Limited

14. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBERS

Vm 42058/5022

15. BATCH NUMBER

Lot {number}

16. SPECIAL WARNING(S), IF NECESSARY

17. SPECIFIC PRECAUTIONS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRODUCTS OR WASTE MATERIALS, IF ANY

Disposal: read package leaflet.

18. CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS REGARDING SUPPLY AND USE, IF APPLICABLE

POM-V

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE IMMEDIATE PACKAGE {Vial/100 and 250 ml}

1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Draxxin 25 mg/ml Solution for injection.

2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE AND OTHER SUBSTANCES

Tulathromycin 25 mg/ml

3. TARGET SPECIES

Pigs.

4. ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION

Intramuscular use.

Read the package leaflet before use.

5. WITHDRAWAL PERIODS

Withdrawal period:

Meat and offal: 13 days.

6. EXPIRY DATE

Exp. {mm/yyyy}

Once broached use within 28 days. Use by...

7. SPECIAL STORAGE PRECAUTIONS

Keep the vial in the outer carton.

8. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

Zoetis UK Limited

9. BATCH NUMBER

Lot {number}

10. SPECIAL WARNING(S), IF NECESSARY

11. SPECIFIC PRECAUTIONS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRODUCTS OR WASTE MATERIALS, IF ANY

12. THE WORDS “FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY” AND CONDITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS REGARDING SUPPLY AND USE IF APPLICABLE

For animal treatment only.

POM-V

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

MINIMUM PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON SMALL IMMEDIATE PACKAGING
UNITS {Vial/50 ml}

1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Draxxin.

2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE PARTICULARS OF THE ACTIVE SUBSTANCES

Tulathromycin 25 mg/ml

3. BATCH NUMBER

Lot {number}

4. EXPIRY DATE

Exp. {mm/yyyy}

Once broached use within 28 days. Use by...

5. ROUTE(S) OF ADMINISTRATION

6. THE WORDS “FOR ANIMAL TREATMENT ONLY”

PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE PACKAGE LEAFLET:

1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Draxxin 25 mg/ml solution for injection for pigs

2. COMPOSITION

Each ml contains:

Active substance:

Tulathromycin 25 mg

Excipient:

Monothioglycerol 5 mg

Clear colourless to slightly yellow solution for injection.

3. TARGET SPECIES

Pigs.

4. INDICATIONS FOR USE

Treatment and metaphylaxis of swine respiratory disease associated with *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*, *Pasteurella multocida*, *Mycoplasma hyopneumoniae*, *Haemophilus parasuis* and *Bordetella bronchiseptica*. The presence of the disease in the group must be established before the product is used. The veterinary medicinal product should only be used if pigs are expected to develop the disease within 2–3 days.

5. CONTRAINDICATIONS

Do not use in cases of hypersensitivity to macrolide antibiotics or to any of the excipients.

6. SPECIAL WARNINGS

Special warnings for each target species:

Cross-resistance has been shown between tulathromycin and other macrolides in the target pathogen(s). Use of the veterinary medicinal product should be carefully considered when susceptibility testing has shown resistance to tulathromycin because its effectiveness may be reduced. Do not administer simultaneously with antimicrobials with a similar mode of action such as other macrolides or lincosamides.

Special precautions for safe use in the target species:

Use of the product should be based on identification and susceptibility testing of the target pathogen(s). If this is not possible, therapy should be based on epidemiological information and knowledge of susceptibility of the target pathogens at farm level, or local/regional level.

Use of the product should be in accordance with official, national and regional antimicrobial policies .

An antibiotic with a lower risk of antimicrobial resistance selection (lower AMEG category) should be used for first line treatment where susceptibility testing suggests the likely efficacy of this approach.

If a hypersensitivity reaction occurs appropriate treatment should be administered without delay.

Special precautions to be taken by the person administering the veterinary medicinal product to animals:

Tulathromycin is irritating to eyes. In case of accidental eye exposure, flush the eyes immediately with clean water.

Tulathromycin may cause sensitisation by skin contact resulting in e.g. reddening of the skin (erythema) and/or dermatitis. In case of accidental spillage onto skin, wash the skin immediately with soap and water.

Wash hands after use.

In case of accidental self-injection, seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician.

If there is suspicion of a hypersensitivity reaction following accidental exposure (recognised by e.g. itching, difficulty in breathing, hives, swelling on the face, nausea, vomitus) appropriate treatment should be administered. Seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician

Pregnancy and lactation:

The safety of the veterinary medicinal product has not been established during pregnancy and lactation. Use only according to the benefit/risk assessment by the responsible veterinarian. Laboratory studies in rats and rabbits have not produced any evidence of teratogenic, foetotoxic or maternotoxic effects.

Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction:

None known.

Overdose:

In young pigs weighing approximately 10 kg given three or five times the therapeutic dose transient signs attributed to injection site discomfort were observed and included excessive vocalisation and restlessness. Lameness was also observed when the hind leg was used as the injection site.

Major incompatibilities:

In the absence of compatibility studies, this veterinary medicinal product must not be mixed with other veterinary medicinal products.

7. ADVERSE EVENTS

Pigs:

Very common (>1 animal / 10 animals treated):
Injection site reaction ^{1,2} , Injection site fibrosis ¹ , Injection site haemorrhage ¹ , Injection site oedema ^{1,2}

¹ Can persist for approximately 30 days after injection.

² Reversible changes of congestion.

Reporting adverse events is important. It allows continuous safety monitoring of a product. If you notice any side effects, even those not already listed in this package leaflet, or you think that the medicine has not worked, please contact, in the first instance, your veterinarian. You can also report any adverse events to the marketing authorisation holder using the contact details at the end of this leaflet, or via your national reporting system: {national system details}.

8. DOSAGE FOR EACH SPECIES, ROUTES AND METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION

A single intramuscular injection of 2.5 mg tulathromycin/kg body weight (equivalent to 1 ml of the veterinary medicinal product /40 kg body weight).

For treatment of pigs over 40 kg body weight, divide the dose so that no more than 4 ml are injected at one site.

9. ADVICE ON CORRECT ADMINISTRATION

For any respiratory disease, it is recommended to treat animals in the early stages of the disease and to evaluate the response to treatment within 48 hours after injection. If clinical signs of respiratory disease persist or increase, or if relapse occurs, treatment should be changed, using another antibiotic, and continued until clinical signs have resolved.

To ensure correct dosage body weight should be determined as accurately as possible. For multiple vial entry, an aspirating needle or multi-dose syringe is recommended to avoid excessive broaching of the stopper.

10. WITHDRAWAL PERIODS

Meat and offal: 13 days.

11. SPECIAL STORAGE PRECAUTIONS

Keep out of the sight and reach of children.

This veterinary medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

Do not use this veterinary medicinal product after the expiry date which is stated on the label after Exp. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Shelf life after first opening the immediate packaging: 28 days.

12. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS FOR DISPOSAL

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater.

Ask your veterinary surgeon or pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required. These measures should help to protect the environment.

Any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived from such veterinary medicinal product should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

13. CLASSIFICATION OF VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

14. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBERS AND PACK SIZES

Vm 42058/5022

Pack sizes:

Cardboard box containing one vial of 50 ml.

Cardboard box containing one vial of 100 ml.

Cardboard box containing one vial of 250 ml.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

15. PID LINK (Do not print heading)

[The following statement must be included where reference to the European Union Product Database is included on the product information. This statement is relevant to both UK(GB) and UK(NI) products:]

Find more product information by searching for the 'Product Information Database' on www.gov.uk.

16. CONTACT DETAILS

Marketing authorisation holder and contact details to report suspected adverse reactions:

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17. OTHER INFORMATION

Tulathromycin is a semi-synthetic macrolide antimicrobial agent, which originates from a fermentation product. It differs from many other macrolides in that it has a long duration of action that is, in part, due to its three amine groups; therefore, it has been given the chemical subclass designation of triamilide.

Macrolides are bacteriostatic acting antibiotics and inhibit essential protein biosynthesis by virtue of their selective binding to bacterial ribosomal RNA. They act by stimulating the dissociation of peptidyl-tRNA from the ribosome during the translocation process.

Tulathromycin possesses *in vitro* activity against *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*, *Pasteurella multocida*, *Mycoplasma hyopneumoniae*, *Haemophilus parasuis* and *Bordetella bronchiseptica*, the bacterial pathogens most commonly associated with swine respiratory disease. Increased minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) values have been found in some isolates of *Histophilus somni* and *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae*.

The Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute CLSI has set the clinical breakpoints for tulathromycin against *P. multocida* and *B. bronchiseptica* of swine respiratory origin as ≤ 16 mcg/ml susceptible and ≥ 64 mcg/ml resistant. For *A. pleuropneumoniae* of swine respiratory origin the susceptible breakpoint is set at ≤ 64 mcg/ml. CLSI has also published clinical breakpoints for tulathromycin based on a disk diffusion method (CLSI document VET08, 4th ed, 2018). No clinical breakpoints are available for *H. parasuis*. Neither EUCAST nor CLSI have developed standard methods for testing antibacterial agents against veterinary *Mycoplasma* species and thus no interpretative criteria have been set.

Resistance to macrolides can develop by mutations in genes encoding ribosomal RNA (rRNA) or some ribosomal proteins; by enzymatic modification (methylation) of the 23S rRNA target site, generally giving rise to cross-resistance with lincosamides and group B streptogramins (MLS_B resistance); by enzymatic inactivation; or by macrolide efflux. MLS_B resistance may be constitutive or inducible. Resistance may be chromosomal or plasmid-encoded and may be transferable if associated with transposons, plasmids, integrative and conjugative elements. Additionally, the genomic plasticity of *Mycoplasma* is enhanced by the horizontal transfer of large chromosomal fragments.

In addition to its antimicrobial properties, tulathromycin demonstrates immune-modulating and anti-inflammatory actions in experimental studies. In porcine polymorphonuclear cells (PMNs; neutrophils), tulathromycin promotes apoptosis (programmed cell death) and the clearance of apoptotic cells by macrophages. It

lowers the production of the pro-inflammatory mediators leukotriene B4 and CXCL-8 and induces the production of anti-inflammatory and pro-resolving lipid lipoxin A4.

In pigs, the pharmacokinetic profile of tulathromycin when administered as a single intramuscular dose of 2.5 mg/kg body weight, was also characterised by rapid and extensive absorption followed by high distribution and slow elimination. The maximum concentration (C_{max}) in plasma was approximately 0.6 mcg/ml; this was achieved approximately 30 minutes post-dosing (T_{max}). Tulathromycin concentrations in lung homogenate were considerably higher than those in plasma. There is strong evidence of substantial accumulation of tulathromycin in neutrophils and alveolar macrophages. However, the *in vivo* concentration of tulathromycin at the infection site of the lung is not known. Peak concentrations were followed by a slow decline in systemic exposure with an apparent elimination half-life ($t_{1/2}$) of approximately 91 hours in plasma. Plasma protein binding was low, approximately 40%. The volume of distribution at steady-state (V_{SS}) determined after intravenous administration was 13.2 l/kg. The bioavailability of tulathromycin after intramuscular administration in pigs was approximately 88%.

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