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NATIONAL PROCEDURE

**PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR A VETERINARY
MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Meloxicam Ceva 1.5 mg/ml Oral Suspension for Dogs

Date Created: September 2024

MODULE 1

PRODUCT SUMMARY

Name, strength and pharmaceutical form	Meloxicam Ceva 1.5 mg/ml Oral Suspension for Dogs
Applicant	Ceva Animal Health Ltd, Unit 3, Anglo Office Park, White Lion Road, Amersham, Buckinghamshire, HP7 9FB
Active substance	Meloxicam
ATC Vetcode	QM01AC06
Target species	Dogs
Indication for use	Alleviation of inflammation and pain in both acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders.

MODULE 2

The Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) for this product is available on the Product Information Database of the Veterinary Medicines Directorate.

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MODULE 3

PUBLIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

Legal basis of original application	Generic application in accordance with Article 8 of VMRs 2013 (Schedule 1, Para 1) as amended.
Date of conclusion of the procedure	12/06/24

I. SCIENTIFIC OVERVIEW

The application is for a generic product with the reference product being Metacam 1.5 mg/ml Oral Suspension for Dogs. Bioequivalence has been established with the reference product.

The product is produced and controlled using validated methods and tests which ensure the consistency of the product released on the market. It has been shown that the product can be safely used in the target species, any reactions observed are indicated in the SPC.¹ 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 efficacy² 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. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE PARTICULARS OF THE CONSTITUENTS

II.A. Composition

The product contains meloxicam and the excipients: xanthan gum, silica colloidal anhydrous, sorbitol liquid non-crystallising, glycerol, xylitol, sodium benzoate, citric acid anhydrous, and purified water.

The container/closure system consists of HDPE bottles closed with HDPE caps and LDPE syringe adapters. The particulars of the containers and controls performed are provided and conform to the regulation.

The choice of the formulation and the presence of preservative are justified.

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

¹ SPC – Summary of product Characteristics.

² Efficacy – The production of a desired or intended result.

II.B. Description of the Manufacturing Method

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

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

II.C. Control of Starting Materials

The active substance is meloxicam, an established active substance described in the European Pharmacopoeia. 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 material. Batch analytical data demonstrating compliance with this specification have been provided.

All excipients appear in Ph. Eur.

II.C.4. Substances of Biological Origin

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

II.D. Control Tests Carried Out at Intermediate Stages of the Manufacturing Process

Not applicable.

II.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. Control tests on the finished product are those appropriate for this pharmaceutical form.

II.F. Stability

Stability data on the active substance have been provided in accordance with applicable European guidelines, demonstrating the stability of the active substance 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.

G. Other Information

Shelf life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 3 years.

Shelf life after first opening the immediate packaging: 6 months.

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

III. SAFETY AND RESIDUES DOCUMENTATION (PHARMACOTOXICOLOGICAL)

III.A Safety Documentation

Pharmacological Studies

Not required due to the legal basis of the application.

Toxicological Studies

Not required due to the legal basis of the application.

User Safety

A user risk assessment was provided in compliance with the relevant guideline.

Warnings and precautions as listed on the product literature are adequate to ensure safety to users of the product. Therefore the following applicant's user recommendations are appropriate:

- Meloxicam and other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) may cause hypersensitivity (allergic reactions).
- People with known hypersensitivity to NSAIDs should avoid contact with the veterinary medicinal product.
- Accidental ingestion of the product by a child may cause gastro-intestinal effects, such as nausea and gastric pain.
- Any uneaten medicated food must be disposed of immediately and the bowl washed thoroughly.
- Do not leave an unattended filled syringe in the sight or reach of children.
- In case of accidental ingestion, seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician.
- This product can cause eye irritation. In case of contact with the eyes, immediately rinse thoroughly with water.
- Wash hands after use.

Environmental Safety

The Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) was carried out in accordance with VICH and CVMP guidelines.

Phase I:

The product will only be used in non-food animals and as a result environmental exposure will be low. A Phase II ERA was not required.

IV. CLINICAL DOCUMENTATION

IV.I. Pre-Clinical Studies

Not required due to the legal basis of the application. Bioequivalence was established with the reference product. Two studies were provided to support this.

IV.II. Clinical Documentation

Not required due to the legal basis of the application

V OVERALL CONCLUSION AND BENEFIT– RISK ASSESSMENT

The data submitted in the dossier demonstrate that the benefit/risk profile of the product is favourable.

MODULE 4

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 Product Information Database of the Veterinary Medicines Directorate website.

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The post-authorisation assessment (PAA) 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.

The PAA for this product is available on the Product Information Database of the Veterinary Medicines Directorate website.

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