

**PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE OUTER PACKAGE {Carton box of blister}**

**1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Metacam 2.5 mg chewable tablets for dogs

**2. STATEMENT OF ACTIVE SUBSTANCES**

Meloxicam: 2.5 mg

**3. PACKAGE SIZE**

7 tablets  
84 tablets  
252 tablets

**4. TARGET SPECIES**

Dogs

**5. INDICATIONS**

**6. ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION**

Oral use.

**7. WITHDRAWAL PERIODS**

**8. EXPIRY DATE**

Exp. {mm/yyyy}

**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**

Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica GmbH

**14. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER**

Vm 61700/5039

**15. BATCH NUMBER**

Lot {number}

**MINIMUM PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON SMALL IMMEDIATE PACKAGING  
UNITS {Blister}**

**1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Metacam 2.5 mg



**2. QUANTITATIVE PARTICULARS OF THE ACTIVE SUBSTANCES**

Meloxicam: 2.5 mg

**3. BATCH NUMBER**

Lot {number}

**4. EXPIRY DATE**

Exp. {mm/yyyy}

## **PARTICULARS TO APPEAR ON THE PACKAGE LEAFLET:**

### **PACKAGE LEAFLET**

#### **1. Name of the veterinary medicinal product**

Metacam 1 mg chewable tablets for dogs  
Metacam 2.5 mg chewable tablets for dogs

#### **2. Composition**

Each tablet contains:

**Active substance:**

Meloxicam: 1 mg

Meloxicam: 2.5 mg

Round mottled beige biconvex tablet, scored on the upper side with embedded code either "M10" or "M25" on one side. The tablet can be divided into equal halves.

#### **3. Target species**

Dogs

#### **4. Indications for use**

Alleviation of inflammation and pain in both acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders in dogs.

#### **5. Contraindications**

Do not use in dogs suffering from gastrointestinal disorders such as irritation or haemorrhage, impaired hepatic, cardiac or renal function and haemorrhagic disorders.

Do not use in dogs less than 6 weeks of age or less than 4 kg body weight.

Do not use in cases of hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients.

#### **6. Special warnings**

Special precautions for safe use in the target species:

Avoid use in any dehydrated, hypovolaemic or hypotensive animal, as there is a potential risk of renal toxicity.

This product for dogs should not be used in cats as it is not suitable for use in this species. In cats, Metacam 0.5 mg/ml oral suspension for cats should be used.

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

People with known hypersensitivity to NSAIDs should avoid contact with the veterinary medicinal product.

In case of accidental ingestion, seek medical advice immediately and show this package leaflet or the carton to the physician.

Pregnancy and lactation:

Do not use in pregnant or lactating animals.

Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction:

Other NSAIDs, diuretics, anticoagulants, aminoglycoside antibiotics and substances with high protein binding may compete for binding and thus lead to toxic effects. The veterinary medicinal product must not be administered in conjunction with other NSAIDs or glucocorticosteroids.

Pre-treatment with anti-inflammatory substances may result in additional or increased adverse effects and accordingly a treatment-free period with such veterinary medicinal products should be observed for at least 24 hours before commencement of treatment. The treatment-free period, however, should take into account the pharmacological properties of the products used previously.

Overdose:

In case of overdose symptomatic treatment should be initiated.

Major incompatibilities:

None known.

## **7. Adverse events**

Dogs:

Very rare (<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports):

- Appetite loss<sup>1</sup>, lethargy<sup>1</sup>
- Vomiting<sup>1</sup>, diarrhoea<sup>1</sup>, blood in faeces<sup>1,2</sup>, haemorrhagic diarrhoea<sup>1</sup>, haematemesis<sup>1</sup>, gastric ulcer<sup>1</sup>, small intestine ulcer<sup>1</sup>
- Elevated liver enzymes<sup>1</sup>
- Renal failure<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> These adverse events occur generally within the first treatment week and are in most cases transient and disappear following termination of the treatment but in very rare cases may be serious or fatal.

<sup>2</sup> Occult.

If adverse reactions occur, treatment should be discontinued and the advice of a veterinarian should be sought.

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 or the local representative of the marketing authorisation holder using the contact details at the end of this leaflet, or via your national reporting system: Email: [adverse.events@vmd.gov.uk](mailto:adverse.events@vmd.gov.uk). Website: <https://www.gov.uk/report-veterinary-medicine-problem>.

## 8. Dosage for each species, routes and method of administration

Initial treatment is a single dose of 0.2 mg meloxicam/kg body weight on the first day, which can be given orally or alternatively using Metacam 5 mg/ml solution for injection for dogs and cats.

Treatment is to be continued once daily by oral administration (at 24-hour intervals) at a maintenance dose of 0.1 mg meloxicam/kg body weight.

Each chewable tablet contains either 1 mg or 2.5 mg meloxicam, which corresponds to the daily maintenance dose for a 10 kg body weight dog, or a 25 kg body weight dog respectively.

Each chewable tablet can be halved for accurate dosing according to the individual body weight of the dog. The veterinary medicinal product can be administered with or without food, are flavoured and are taken by most dogs voluntarily.

Dose scheme for the maintenance dose:

Body weight (kg)	Number of chewable tablets		mg/kg
	1 mg	2.5 mg	
4.0–7.0	½		0.13–0.1
7.1–10.0	1		0.14–0.1
10.1– 15.0	1½		0.15–0.1
15.1–20.0	2		0.13–0.1
20.1–25.0		1	0.12–0.1
25.1–35.0		1½	0.15–0.1
35.1–50.0		2	0.14–0.1

The use of Metacam oral suspension for dogs may be considered for an even more precise dosing. For dogs weighing less than 4 kg the use of Metacam oral suspension for dogs is recommended.

A clinical response is normally seen within 3–4 days. Treatment should be discontinued after 10 days if no clinical improvement is apparent.

## **9. Advice on correct administration**

Particular care should be taken with regard to the accuracy of dosing. To ensure a correct dosage, body weight should be determined as accurately as possible. The use of suitably calibrated measuring equipment is recommended.

Please carefully follow the instructions of the veterinarian. Instructions for opening the child-resistant blisters: Push the tablet for release from the blister.

## **10. Withdrawal periods**

Not applicable.

## **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 carton and the blister after Exp. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

## **12. Special precautions for disposal**

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater.

Use take-back schemes for the disposal of any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived thereof in accordance with local requirements and with any applicable national collection systems. These measures should help to protect the environment.

Ask your veterinary surgeon or pharmacist how to dispose of medicines no longer required.

## **13. Classification of veterinary medicinal products**

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

## **14. Marketing authorisation numbers and pack sizes**

Vm 61700/5038

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Cardboard box with blisters of either 7, 84 or 252 tablets.  
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](http://www.gov.uk).

## 16. Contact details

Marketing authorisation holder and manufacturer responsible for batch release:

Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica GmbH  
Binger Strasse 173  
55216 Ingelheim am Rhein  
Germany

Local representatives and contact details to report suspected adverse reactions:

**United Kingdom (Great Britain)**

Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health UK Limited  
+44 1344 746957

## 17. Other information

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