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Patient Information Sheet

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For questions or to consult with a pharmacist, call 1-800-447-3021 Mon-Fri from 9am-6pm CST and Sat from 9am-1pm CST. If you have an emergency situation, please contact your local veterinarian immediately.

Montelukast

(Singulair)

Common Drug Name

Montelukast

Common Brand Names

Singulair

No generic products are available.

Storage

Refrigerate oral suspension. Store other forms at room temperature in a tight, light resistant, childproof container.

Uses

Montelukast is in a class of drugs called antileukotrienes, which block the actions of substances involved in inflammatory and allergic reactions. It is useful in some animals to aid in the management of allergic diseases, including asthma. It will NOT stop an acute asthmatic attack. Montelukast may also be used in some cases of chronic bronchitis and obstructive lung disease.

Dose and Administration

Always follow the dosage instructions provided by your veterinarian. If you have difficulty giving the medication, contact your veterinarian.

Montelukast is given orally.

If you miss a dose, give it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the one you missed and go back to the regular schedule. Do not give 2 doses at once.

This medication should only be given to the pet for whom it was prescribed.

Possible Side Effects

The use of montelukast in pet animals has been limited; therefore information on its side effects may not be complete. In humans, side effects are rare, and may include headache, abdominal or stomach pain, vomiting, cough, dental pain, dizziness, fever, heartburn, skin rash, stuffy nose, weakness, or unusual tiredness. Consult your veterinarian if you notice any of these or other possible side effects.

If your pet experiences an allergic reaction to the medication, signs may include facial swelling, hives, scratching, sudden onset of diarrhea, vomiting, shock, seizures, pale gums, cold limbs, or coma. If you observe any of these signs, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Precautions

Not for use in animals hypersensitive (allergic) to montelukast or similar medications.

The safety of using montelukast in pregnant or lactating animals (female animals nursing their young) has not been determined.

Consult with your veterinarian regarding physical examinations and laboratory testing necessary prior to and during treatment with montelukast.

Drug, Food and Test Interactions

Consult your veterinarian before using montelukast with any other medications, including vitamins and supplements, since interactions may occur.

Phenobarbital may affect the level of montelukast in the blood.

Signs of Toxicity/Overdose

If you know or suspect your pet has had an overdose, or if you observe any unusual signs, symptoms, or behaviors in your pet, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Human Signs of Toxicity/Overdose

In humans, signs of overdosage include thirst, sleepiness, dilation of the pupils, and abdominal pain.

Keep this and all other medications out of the reach of children and pets.