

# Customize your diagnostic approach with Zoetis innovation.



FOR FIRST-TIME & ACUTE CASES (If pruritus recurs 1–2 times per year)

FOR CHRONIC CASES (If pruritus recurs 3 or more times per year)

Stop the pruritus

**apoquel**  
(oclacitinib tablet)

OR

**CYTOPOINT**

**Apoquel preferred during diagnostic work up:**  
fast-acting, flexible dosing,  
can stop/start.

**Alternative: Cytopoint**  
if <12 month, pilling/  
compliance is a concern

Rule out parasites

**Simparica TRIO**  
(sarolaner, moxidectin, and pyrantel  
chewable tablets)

Treat skin infections

**convenia**  
cefovecin sodium

Conduct food trial

**Apoquel preferred:**  
can stop/start to  
determine efficacy  
of food trial.  
**Alternative: Cytopoint**  
if <12 month, pilling/  
compliance is a concern

Confirm atopic dermatitis

**apoquel**  
(oclacitinib tablet)

OR

**CYTOPOINT**

**Plan for long-term anchor treatment with Apoquel or Cytopoint,**  
depending on owner  
and dog preference/  
lifestyle

It's important to provide patient relief from allergic pruritus using Apoquel or Cytopoint throughout the diagnostic work-up

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# Innovative Treatments

Apoquel® (oclacitinib tablet) or Cytopoint® gives you the flexibility to deliver customized allergic dermatitis relief that meets both patient and pet owner needs.



**apoquel**<sup>®</sup>  
(oclacitinib tablet)

## First choice for fast relief

- Rapid **allergic itch relief begins within 4 hours**<sup>1,2</sup>
- **Significant reduction of inflammation** due to allergic dermatitis<sup>1</sup>
- Start-and-stop itch control that can be used during diagnostic trials<sup>3</sup>
- Management of pruritic flares
- Short- and long-term management of allergic itch
- For dogs at least 12 months of age

**CYTOPOINT**<sup>®</sup>

## One injection. Lasting relief.

- Begins to **relieve allergic pruritus within 24 hours** and lasts for 4 to 8 weeks<sup>4</sup>
- Dogs of **all ages**
- Lifelong disease management
- Treatment of pruritic flares
- Owners seeking nondrug therapy
- Dogs who are difficult to pill or cases in which owner compliance is a concern
- For dogs with comorbidities

**Cytopoint Indications:** Cytopoint has been shown to be effective for the treatment of dogs against allergic dermatitis and atopic dermatitis.

**Apoquel Indications:** Control of pruritus associated with allergic dermatitis and control of atopic dermatitis in dogs at least 12 months of age.

**Apoquel Important Safety Information:** Do not use Apoquel in dogs less than 12 months of age or those with serious infections. Apoquel may increase the chances of developing serious infections, and may cause existing parasitic skin infestations or pre-existing cancers to get worse. Consider the risks and benefits of treatment in dogs with a history of recurrence of these conditions. New neoplastic conditions (benign and malignant) were observed in clinical studies and post-approval. Apoquel has not been tested in dogs receiving some medications including some commonly used to treat skin conditions such as corticosteroids and cyclosporines. Do not use in breeding, pregnant, or lactating dogs. Most common side effects are vomiting and diarrhea. Apoquel has been used safely with many common medications including parasiticides, antibiotics and vaccines.

**For more information, please see the accompanying full Prescribing Information.**

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# Transform your approach to the pruritic dog with the Zoetis Dermatology Portfolio



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**Simparica Trio Indications:** Simparica Trio is indicated for the prevention of heartworm disease caused by *Dirofilaria immitis* and for the treatment and control of roundworm (immature adult and adult *Toxocara canis* and adult *Toxascaris leonina*) and adult hookworm (*Ancylostoma caninum* and *Uncinaria stenocephala*) infections. Simparica Trio kills adult fleas (*Ctenocephalides felis*) and is indicated for the treatment and prevention of flea infestations, and the treatment and control of tick infestations with *Amblyomma americanum* (lone star tick), *Amblyomma maculatum* (Gulf Coast tick), *Dermacentor variabilis* (American dog tick), *Ixodes scapularis* (black-legged tick), and *Rhipicephalus sanguineus* (brown dog tick) for one month in dogs and puppies 8 weeks of age and older, and weighing 2.8 pounds or greater.

**Simparica Trio Important Safety Information:** Use with caution in dogs with a history of seizures. Simparica Trio contains sarolaner, a member of the isoxazoline class, which has been associated with neurologic adverse reactions including tremors, ataxia, and seizures in dogs with or without a history of neurologic disorders. The safe use of Simparica Trio has not been evaluated in breeding, pregnant, or lactating dogs. The most frequently reported adverse reactions in clinical trials were vomiting and diarrhea.

**For more information, please see the accompanying full Prescribing Information.**



**Convenia Indications:** Convenia is indicated for the treatment of skin infections (secondary superficial pyoderma, abscesses, and wounds) in dogs caused by susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus intermedius* and *Streptococcus canis* (Group G).

**Convenia Important Safety Information:** People with known hypersensitivity to penicillin or cephalosporins should avoid exposure to Convenia. Do not use in animals with a history of allergic reactions to penicillins or cephalosporins. Side effects for both dogs and cats include vomiting, diarrhea, decreased appetite/anorexia and lethargy.

**For more information, please see the accompanying full Prescribing Information.**



**Cytopoint Indications:** Cytopoint has been shown to be effective for the treatment of dogs against allergic dermatitis and atopic dermatitis.

**References:** 1. Gadeyne C, Little P, King VL, et al. Efficacy of oclacitinib (Apoquel®) compared with prednisolone for the control of pruritus and clinical signs associated with allergic dermatitis in client-owned dogs in Australia. *Vet Dermatol.* 2014;25(6):512-e86. doi:10.1111/vde.12166. 2. Data on file, Study No. A161R-AU-12-096, Zoetis Inc. 3. Aleo MM, Messamore J, Nieto BA et al. Lack of interference of oclacitinib with the results of intradermal testing or allergen-specific IgE serology in Dermatophagoides farina-sensitized beagle dogs. *Vet Immunol Immunopath* 2023; 256:110537. 4. Data on file, Study No. C863R-US-12-018, Zoetis Inc.

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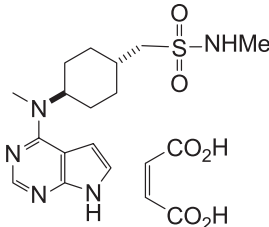
Immunomodulator

**For oral use in dogs only**

**Caution:** Federal (USA) Law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian.

**Description:** APOQUEL (oclacitinib maleate) is a synthetic Janus Kinase (JAK) inhibitor. The chemical composition of APOQUEL is N-methyl[trans-4-(methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-4-ylamino) cyclohexyl]methanesulfonamide (2Z)-2-butenedioate.

The chemical structure of oclacitinib maleate is:



**Indications:** Control of pruritus associated with allergic dermatitis and control of atopic dermatitis in dogs at least 12 months of age.

**Dosage and Administration:** The dose of APOQUEL (oclacitinib maleate) tablets is 0.18 to 0.27 mg oclacitinib/lb (0.4 to 0.6 mg oclacitinib/kg) body weight, administered orally, twice daily for up to 14 days, and then administered once daily for maintenance therapy. APOQUEL may be administered with or without food.

**Dosing Chart**

Weight Range (in lb)		Weight Range (in Kg)		Number of Tablets to be Administered		
Low	High	Low	High	3.6 mg Tablets	5.4 mg Tablets	16 mg Tablets
6.6	9.9	3.0	4.4	0.5	-	-
10.0	14.9	4.5	5.9	-	0.5	-
15.0	19.9	6.0	8.9	1	-	-
20.0	29.9	9.0	13.4	-	1	-
30.0	44.9	13.5	19.9	-	-	0.5
45.0	59.9	20.0	26.9	-	2	-
60.0	89.9	27.0	39.9	-	-	1
90.0	129.9	40.0	54.9	-	-	1.5
130.0	175.9	55.0	80.0	-	-	2

**Warnings:**  
APOQUEL is not for use in dogs less than 12 months of age (see **Animal Safety**).

APOQUEL modulates the immune system.

APOQUEL is not for use in dogs with serious infections.

APOQUEL may increase susceptibility to infection, including demodicosis, and exacerbation of neoplastic conditions (see **Precautions, Adverse Reactions, Post-Approval Experience and Animal Safety**).

New neoplastic conditions (benign and malignant) were observed in dogs treated with APOQUEL during clinical studies and have been reported in the post-approval period (see **Adverse Reactions and Post-Approval Experience**).

Consider the risks and benefits of treatment prior to initiating APOQUEL in dogs with a history of recurrent serious infections or recurrent demodicosis or neoplasia (see **Adverse Reactions, Post-Approval Experience, and Animal Safety**).

Keep APOQUEL in a secure location out of reach of dogs, cats, and other animals to prevent accidental ingestion or overdose.

**Human Warnings:**

This product is not for human use. Keep this and all drugs out of reach of children. For use in dogs only. Wash hands immediately after handling the tablets. In case of accidental eye contact, flush immediately with water or saline for at least 15 minutes and then seek medical attention. In case of accidental ingestion, seek medical attention immediately.

**Precautions:**

Dogs receiving APOQUEL should be monitored for the development of infections, including demodicosis, and neoplasia.

The use of APOQUEL has not been evaluated in combination with glucocorticoids, cyclosporine, or other systemic immunosuppressive agents.

APOQUEL is not for use in breeding dogs, or pregnant or lactating bitches.

**Adverse Reactions:**

Control of Atopic Dermatitis

In a masked field study to assess the effectiveness and safety of oclacitinib for the control of atopic dermatitis in dogs, 152 dogs treated with APOQUEL and 147 dogs treated with placebo (vehicle control) were evaluated for safety. The majority of dogs in the placebo group withdrew from the 112-day study by Day 16. Adverse reactions reported (and percent of dogs affected) during Days 0-16 included diarrhea (4.6% APOQUEL, 3.4% placebo), vomiting (3.9% APOQUEL, 4.1% placebo), anorexia (2.6% APOQUEL, 0% placebo), new cutaneous or subcutaneous lump (2.6% APOQUEL, 2.7% placebo), and lethargy (2.0% APOQUEL, 1.4% placebo). In most cases, diarrhea, vomiting, anorexia, and lethargy spontaneously resolved with continued dosing. Dogs on APOQUEL had decreased leukocytes (neutrophil, eosinophil, and monocyte counts) and serum globulin, and increased cholesterol and lipase compared to the placebo group but group means remained within the normal range. Mean lymphocyte counts were transiently increased at Day 14 in the APOQUEL group.

Dogs that withdrew from the masked field study could enter an unmasked study where all dogs received APOQUEL. Between the masked and unmasked study, 283 dogs received at least one dose of APOQUEL. Of these 283 dogs, two dogs were withdrawn from study due to suspected treatment-related adverse reactions: one dog that had an intense flare-up of dermatitis and severe secondary pyoderma after 19 days of APOQUEL administration, and one dog that developed generalized demodicosis after 28 days of APOQUEL administration. Two other dogs on APOQUEL were withdrawn from study due to suspected or confirmed malignant neoplasia and subsequently euthanized, including one dog that developed signs associated with a heart base mass after 21 days of APOQUEL administration, and one dog that developed a Grade III mast cell tumor after 60 days of APOQUEL administration.

One of the 147 dogs in the placebo group developed a Grade I mast cell tumor and was withdrawn from the masked study. Additional dogs receiving APOQUEL were hospitalized for diagnosis and treatment of pneumonia (one dog), transient bloody vomiting and stool (one dog), and cystitis with urolithiasis (one dog).

In the 283 dogs that received APOQUEL, the following additional clinical signs were reported after beginning APOQUEL (percentage of dogs with at least one report of the clinical sign as a non-pre-existing finding): pyoderma (12.0%), non-specified dermal lumps (12.0%), otitis (9.9%), vomiting (9.2%), diarrhea (6.0%), histiocytoma (3.9%), cystitis (3.5%), anorexia (3.2%), lethargy (2.8%), yeast skin infections (2.5%), pododermatitis (2.5%), lipoma (2.1%), polydipsia (1.4%), lymphadenopathy (1.1%), nausea (1.1%), increased appetite (1.1%), aggression (1.1%), and weight loss (0.7).

Control of Pruritus Associated with Allergic Dermatitis

In a masked field study to assess the effectiveness and safety of oclacitinib for the control of pruritus associated with allergic dermatitis in dogs, 216 dogs treated with APOQUEL and 220 dogs treated with placebo (vehicle control) were evaluated for safety. During the 30-day study, there were no fatalities and no adverse reactions requiring hospital care. Adverse reactions reported (and percent of dogs affected) during Days 0-7 included diarrhea (2.3% APOQUEL, 0.9% placebo), vomiting (2.3% APOQUEL, 1.8% placebo), lethargy (1.8% APOQUEL, 1.4% placebo), anorexia (1.4% APOQUEL, 0% placebo), and polydipsia (1.4% APOQUEL, 0% placebo). In most of these cases, signs spontaneously resolved with continued dosing. Five APOQUEL group dogs were withdrawn from study because of: darkening areas of skin and fur (1 dog); diarrhea (1 dog); fever, lethargy and cystitis (1 dog); an inflamed footpad and vomiting (1 dog); and diarrhea, vomiting, and lethargy (1 dog). Dogs in the APOQUEL group had a slight decrease in mean white blood cell counts (neutrophil, eosinophil, and monocyte counts) that remained within the normal reference range. Mean lymphocyte count for dogs in the APOQUEL group increased at Day 7, but returned to pretreatment levels by study end without a break in APOQUEL administration. Serum cholesterol increased in 25% of APOQUEL group dogs, but mean cholesterol remained within the reference range.

Continuation Field Study

After completing APOQUEL field studies, 239 dogs enrolled in an unmasked (no placebo control), continuation therapy study receiving APOQUEL for an unrestricted period of time. Mean time on this study was 372 days (range 1 to 610 days). Of these 239 dogs, one dog developed demodicosis following 273 days of APOQUEL administration. One dog developed dermal pigmented viral plaques following 266 days of APOQUEL administration. One dog developed a moderately severe bronchopneumonia after 272 days of APOQUEL administration; this infection resolved with antimicrobial treatment and temporary discontinuation of APOQUEL. One dog was euthanized after developing abdominal ascites and pleural effusion of unknown etiology after 450 days of APOQUEL administration. Six dogs were euthanized because of suspected malignant neoplasms: including thoracic metastatic, abdominal metastatic, splenic, frontal sinus, and intracranial neoplasms, and transitional cell carcinoma after 17, 120, 175, 49, 141, and 286 days of APOQUEL administration, respectively. Two dogs each developed a Grade II mast cell tumor after 52 and 91 days of APOQUEL administration, respectively. One dog developed low grade B-cell lymphoma after 392 days of APOQUEL administration. Two dogs each developed an apocrine gland adenocarcinoma (one dermal, one anal sac) after approximately 210 and 320 days of APOQUEL administration, respectively. One dog developed a low grade oral spindle cell sarcoma after 320 days of APOQUEL administration.

**Post-Approval Experience (2020):**

The following adverse events are based on post-approval adverse drug experience reporting for APOQUEL. Not all adverse events are reported to FDA/CVM. It is not always possible to reliably estimate the adverse event frequency or establish a causal relationship to product exposure using these data.

The following adverse events reported in dogs are listed in decreasing order of reporting frequency.

Vomiting, lethargy, anorexia, diarrhea, elevated liver enzymes, dermatitis (i.e. crusts, pododermatitis, pyoderma), seizures, polydipsia, and demodicosis.

Benign, malignant, and unclassified neoplasms, dermal masses (including papillomas and histiocytomas), lymphoma and other cancers have been reported.

Death (including euthanasia) has been reported.

**Contact Information:**

To report suspected adverse events, for technical assistance or to obtain a copy of the Safety Data Sheet, contact Zoetis Inc. at 1-888-963-8471 or www.zoetis.com.

For additional information about adverse drug experience reporting for animal drugs, contact FDA at 1-888-FDA-VETS or online at www.fda.gov/reportanimalae.

## Clinical Pharmacology:

### Mechanism of Action

Oclacitinib inhibits the function of a variety of pruritogenic cytokines and pro-inflammatory cytokines, as well as cytokines involved in allergy that are dependent on JAK1 or JAK3 enzyme activity. It has little effect on cytokines involved in hematopoiesis that are dependent on JAK2. Oclacitinib is not a corticosteroid or an antihistamine.

### Pharmacokinetics

In dogs, oclacitinib maleate is rapidly and well absorbed following oral administration, with mean time to peak plasma concentrations ( $T_{max}$ ) of less than 1 hour. Following oral administration of 0.4-0.6 mg oclacitinib/kg to 24 dogs, the mean (90% confidence limits [CL]) maximum concentration ( $C_{max}$ ) was 324 (281, 372) ng/mL and the mean area under the plasma concentration-time curve from 0 and extrapolated to infinity ( $AUC_{0-\infty}$ ) was 1890 (1690, 2110) ng-hr/mL. The prandial state of dogs does not significantly affect the rate or extent of absorption. The absolute bioavailability of oclacitinib maleate was 89%.

Oclacitinib has low protein binding with 66.3-69.7% bound in fortified canine plasma at nominal concentrations ranging from 10-1000 ng/mL. The apparent mean (95% CL) volume of distribution at steady-state was 942 (870, 1014) mL/kg body weight.

Oclacitinib is metabolized in the dog to multiple metabolites and one major oxidative metabolite was identified in plasma and urine. Overall the major clearance route is metabolism with minor contributions from renal and biliary elimination. Inhibition of canine cytochrome P450 enzymes by oclacitinib is minimal; the inhibitory concentrations ( $IC_{50}$ ) are 50 fold greater than the observed  $C_{max}$  values at the use dose.

Mean (95% CL) total body oclacitinib clearance from plasma was low - 316 (237, 396) mL/h/kg body weight (5.3 mL/min/kg body weight). Following IV and PO administration, the terminal  $t_{1/2}$  appeared similar with mean values of 3.5 (2.2, 4.7) and 4.1 (3.1, 5.2) hours, respectively.

### Effectiveness:

#### Control of Atopic Dermatitis

A double-masked, 112-day, controlled study was conducted at 18 U.S. veterinary hospitals. The study enrolled 299 client-owned dogs with atopic dermatitis. Dogs were randomized to treatment with APOQUEL (152 dogs: tablets administered at a dose of 0.4-0.6 mg/kg per dose twice daily for 14 days and then once daily) or placebo (147 dogs: vehicle control, tablets administered on the same schedule). During the study, dogs could not be treated with other drugs that could affect the assessment of effectiveness, such as corticosteroids, anti-histamines, or cyclosporine. Treatment success for pruritus for each dog was defined as at least a 2 cm decrease from baseline on a 10 cm visual analog scale (VAS) in pruritus, assessed by the Owner, on Day 28. Treatment success for skin lesions was defined as a 50% decrease from the baseline Canine Atopic Dermatitis Extent and Severity Index (CADESI) score, assessed by the Veterinarian, on Day 28. The estimated proportion of dogs with Treatment Success in Owner-assessed pruritus VAS score and in Veterinarian-assessed CADESI score was greater and significantly different for the APOQUEL group compared to the placebo group.

#### Estimated Proportion of Dogs with Treatment Success, Atopic Dermatitis

Effectiveness Parameter	APOQUEL	Placebo	P-value
Owner-Assessed Pruritus VAS	0.66 (n = 131)	0.04 (n = 133)	$p < 0.0001$
Veterinarian-Assessed CADESI	0.49 (n = 134)	0.04 (n = 134)	$p < 0.0001$

Compared to the placebo group, mean Owner-assessed pruritus VAS scores (on Days 1, 2, 7, 14, and 28) and Veterinarian-assessed CADESI scores (on Days 14 and 28) were lower (improved) in dogs in the APOQUEL group. By Day 30, 86% (127/147) of the placebo group dogs and 15% (23/152) of the APOQUEL group dogs withdrew from the masked study because of worsening clinical signs, and had the option to enroll in an unmasked study and receive APOQUEL. For dogs that continued APOQUEL treatment beyond one month, the mean Owner-assessed pruritus VAS scores and Veterinarian-assessed CADESI scores continued to improve through study end at Day 112.

#### Control of Pruritus Associated with Allergic Dermatitis

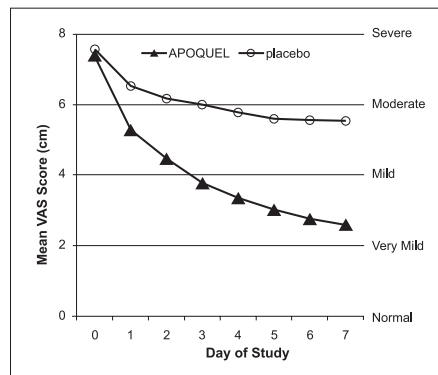
A double-masked, 30-day, controlled study was conducted at 26 U.S. veterinary hospitals. The study enrolled 436 client-owned dogs with a history of allergic dermatitis attributed to one or more of the following conditions: atopic dermatitis, flea allergy, food allergy, contact allergy, and other/unspecified allergic dermatitis. Dogs were randomized to treatment with APOQUEL (216 dogs: tablets administered at a dose of 0.4-0.6 mg/kg twice daily) or placebo (220 dogs: vehicle control, tablets administered twice daily). During the study, dogs could not be treated with other drugs that could affect the assessment of pruritus or dermal inflammation such as corticosteroids, anti-histamines, or cyclosporine. Treatment success for each dog was defined as at least a 2 cm decrease from baseline on a 10 cm visual analog scale (VAS) in pruritus, assessed by the Owner, on at least 5 of the 7 evaluation days. The estimated proportion of dogs with Treatment Success was greater and significantly different for the APOQUEL group compared to the placebo group.

#### Owner-Assessed Pruritus VAS Treatment Success, Allergic Dermatitis

Effectiveness Parameter	APOQUEL (n = 203)	Placebo (n = 204)	P-value
Estimated Proportion of Dogs with Treatment Success	0.67	0.29	$p < 0.0001$

After one week of treatment, 86.4% of APOQUEL group dogs compared with 42.5% of placebo group dogs had achieved a 2 cm reduction on the 10 cm Owner-assessed pruritus VAS. On each of the 7 days, mean Owner-assessed pruritus VAS scores were lower in dogs in the APOQUEL group (See Figure 1). Veterinarians used a 10 cm VAS scale to assess each dog's dermatitis. After one week of treatment, the mean Veterinarian-assessed VAS dermatitis score for the dogs in the APOQUEL group was lower at 2.2 cm (improved from a baseline value of 6.2 cm) compared with the placebo group mean score of 4.9 cm (from a baseline value of 6.2 cm). For dogs that continued APOQUEL treatment beyond one week, Veterinarian-assessed dermatitis scores continued to improve through study end at Day 30.

Figure 1: Owner Assessed Pruritus VAS Scores by treatment for Days 0-7



### Animal Safety:

#### Margin of Safety in 12 Month Old Dogs

Oclacitinib maleate was administered to healthy, one-year-old Beagle dogs twice daily for 6 weeks, followed by once daily for 20 weeks, at 0.6 mg/kg (1X maximum exposure dose, 8 dogs), 1.8 mg/kg (3X, 8 dogs), and 3.0 mg/kg (5X, 8 dogs) oclacitinib for 26 weeks. Eight dogs received placebo (empty gelatin capsule) at the same dosage schedule. Clinical observations that were considered likely to be related to oclacitinib maleate included papillomas and a dose-dependent increase in the number and frequency of interdigital furunculosis (cysts) on one or more feet during the study. Additional clinical observations were primarily related to the interdigital furunculosis and included dermatitis (local alopecia, erythema, abrasions, scabbing/crusts, and edema of feet) and lymphadenopathy of peripheral nodes. Microscopic findings considered to be oclacitinib maleate-related included decreased cellularity (lymphoid) in Gut-Associated Lymphoid Tissue (GALT), spleen, thymus, cervical and mesenteric lymph node; and decreased cellularity of sternal and femoral bone marrow. Lymphoid hyperplasia and chronic active inflammation was seen in lymph nodes draining feet affected with interdigital furunculosis. Five oclacitinib maleate-treated dogs had microscopic evidence of mild interstitial pneumonia. Clinical pathology findings considered to be oclacitinib maleate-related included mild, dose-dependent reduction in hemoglobin, hematocrit, and reticulocyte counts during the twice daily dosing period with decreases in the leukocyte subsets of lymphocytes, eosinophils, and basophils. Total proteins were decreased over time primarily due to the albumin fraction.

#### Vaccine Response Study

An adequate immune response (serology) to killed rabies (RV), modified live canine distemper virus (CDV), and modified live canine parvovirus (CPV) vaccination was achieved in eight 16-week old vaccine naïve puppies that were administered oclacitinib maleate at 1.8 mg/kg oclacitinib (3X maximum exposure dose) twice daily for 84 days. For modified live canine parainfluenza virus (CPI), < 80% (6 of 8) of the dogs achieved adequate serologic response. Clinical observations that were considered likely to be related to oclacitinib maleate treatment included enlarged lymph nodes, interdigital furunculosis, cysts, and pododermatitis. One oclacitinib maleate-treated dog (26-weeks-old) was euthanized on Day 74 after physical examination revealed the dog to be febrile, lethargic, with pale mucous membranes and frank blood in stool. Necropsy revealed pneumonia of short duration and evidence of chronic lymphadenitis of mesenteric lymph nodes. During the three month recovery phase to this study, one oclacitinib maleate-treated dog (32-weeks old) was euthanized on Day 28 due to clinical signs which included enlarged prescapular lymph nodes, bilateral epiphora, lethargy, mild dyspnea, and fever. The dog showed an elevated white blood cell (WBC) count. Necropsy revealed lesions consistent with sepsis secondary to immunosuppression. Bone marrow hyperplasia was consistent with response to sepsis.

#### Margin of Safety in 6 Month Old Dogs

A margin of safety study in 6-month-old dogs was discontinued after four months due to the development of bacterial pneumonia and generalized demodex mange infections in dogs in the high dose (3X and 5X) treatment groups, dosed at 1.8 and 3.0 mg/kg oclacitinib twice daily, for the entire study.

#### Storage Conditions:

APOQUEL should be stored at controlled room temperature between 20° to 25°C (68° to 77°F) with excursions between 15° to 40°C (59° to 104°F).

#### How Supplied:

APOQUEL tablets contain 3.6 mg, 5.4 mg, or 16 mg of oclacitinib as oclacitinib maleate per tablet. Each strength tablets are packaged in 100 and 250 count bottles. Each tablet is scored and marked with AQ and either an S, M, or L that correspond to the different tablet strengths on both sides.

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# Simparica TRIO<sup>®</sup>

(sarolaner, moxidectin, and pyrantel chewable tablets)

## FOR ORAL USE IN DOGS ONLY

### CAUTION

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### DESCRIPTION

SIMPARICA TRIO (sarolaner, moxidectin, and pyrantel chewable tablets) is a flavored, chewable tablet for administration to dogs 8 weeks of age and older. Each tablet is formulated to provide minimum dosages of 0.54 mg/lb (1.2 mg/kg) sarolaner, 0.011 mg/lb (24 µg/kg) moxidectin, and 2.27 mg/lb (5 mg/kg) pyrantel (as pamoate salt).

Sarolaner is a member of the isoxazoline class of parasiticides and the chemical name is 1-(5'-(5S)-5-(3,5-Dichloro-4-fluorophenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-3-H-spiro[azetidine-3,1'(2) benzofuran]-1-yl)-2-(methylsulfonyl)ethanone. SIMPARICA TRIO contains the S-enantiomer of sarolaner.

Moxidectin is a semi-synthetic methoxime derivative of nemadectin which is a fermentation product of *Streptomyces cyaneogriseus* subspecies *noncyanogenus*. Moxidectin is a pentacyclic 16-membered lactone macrolide. The chemical name for moxidectin is (6R,23E,25S)-5-O-Demethyl-28-deoxy-25-[(1E)-1,3-dimethyl-1-buten-1-yl]-6,28-epoxy-23-(methoxyimino)milbemycin B.

Pyrantel belongs to a family classified chemically as tetrahydropyrimidines and the chemical name is (E)-1,4,5,6-Tetrahydro-1-methyl-2-[2-(2-thienyl) vinyl] pyrimidine 4,4' methylenebis [3-hydroxy-2-naphthoate](1:1). It is a yellow, water-insoluble crystalline salt of the tetrahydropyrimidine base and pamoic acid containing 34.7% base activity.

### INDICATIONS

SIMPARICA TRIO is indicated for the prevention of heartworm disease caused by *Dirofilaria immitis* and for the treatment and control of roundworm (immature adult and adult *Toxocara canis* and adult *Toxascaris leonina*) and hookworm (L4, immature adult, and adult *Ancylostoma caninum* and adult *Uncinaria stenocephala*) infections. SIMPARICA TRIO kills adult fleas (*Ctenocephalides felis*) and is indicated for the treatment and prevention of flea infestations, and the treatment and control of tick infestations with *Amblyomma americanum* (lone star tick), *Amblyomma maculatum* (Gulf Coast tick), *Dermacentor variabilis* (American dog tick), *Ixodes scapularis* (black-legged tick), and *Rhipicephalus sanguineus* (brown dog tick) for one month in dogs and puppies 8 weeks of age and older, and weighing 2.8 pounds or greater. SIMPARICA TRIO is indicated for the prevention of *Borrelia burgdorferi* infections as a direct result of killing *Ixodes scapularis* vector ticks.

### DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

SIMPARICA TRIO is given orally once a month, at the recommended minimum dose of 0.54 mg/lb (1.2 mg/kg) sarolaner, 0.011 mg/lb (24 µg/kg) moxidectin, and 2.27 mg/lb (5 mg/kg) pyrantel (as pamoate salt).

### Dosage Schedule

Body Weight (lbs)	Sarolaner per Tablet (mg)	Moxidectin per Tablet (mg)	Pyrantel per Tablet (mg)	Number of Tablets Administered
2.8 to 5.5	3	0.06	12.5	One
5.6 to 11.0	6	0.12	25	One
11.1 to 22.0	12	0.24	50	One
22.1 to 44.0	24	0.48	100	One
44.1 to 88.0	48	0.96	200	One
88.1 to 132.0	72	1.44	300	One
>132.0	Administer the appropriate combination of tablets			

SIMPARICA TRIO can be offered to the dog with or without food.

Care should be taken to ensure that the dog consumes the complete dose and that part of the dose is not lost or refused. If a dose is missed, give SIMPARICA TRIO immediately and resume monthly dosing.

#### Heartworm Prevention:

SIMPARICA TRIO should be administered at monthly intervals year-round or at least within one month of the animal's first seasonal exposure to mosquitoes and continuing until at least 1 month after the dog's last seasonal exposure. If a dose is missed, give SIMPARICA TRIO immediately and resume monthly dosing. When replacing a monthly heartworm preventive product, SIMPARICA TRIO should be given within one month of the last dose of the former medication.

#### Flea Treatment and Prevention:

Treatment with SIMPARICA TRIO may begin at any time of the year. SIMPARICA TRIO should be administered year-round at monthly intervals or started at least one month before fleas become active.

To minimize the likelihood of flea re-infestation, it is important to treat all dogs and cats within a household with a flea control product.

#### Tick Treatment and Control:

Treatment with SIMPARICA TRIO can begin at any time of the year. SIMPARICA TRIO should be administered year-round at monthly intervals or started at least one month before ticks become active.

#### Intestinal Nematode Treatment and Control:

For the treatment of roundworm (immature adult and adult *Toxocara canis* and adult *Toxascaris leonina*) and hookworm (L4, immature adult, and adult *Ancylostoma caninum* and adult *Uncinaria stenocephala*) infections, SIMPARICA TRIO should be administered once as a single dose. Monthly use of SIMPARICA TRIO will control any subsequent infections.

### CONTRAINDICATIONS

There are no known contraindications for the use of SIMPARICA TRIO.

### WARNINGS

Not for use in humans. Keep this and all drugs out of reach of children.

Keep SIMPARICA TRIO in a secure location out of reach of dogs, cats and other animals to prevent accidental ingestion or overdose.

### PRECAUTIONS

Sarolaner, one of the ingredients in SIMPARICA TRIO, is a member of the isoxazoline class. This class has been associated with neurologic adverse reactions including tremors, ataxia, and seizures. Seizures have been reported in dogs receiving isoxazoline class drugs, even in dogs without a history of seizures. Use with caution in dogs with a history of seizures or neurologic disorders.

Prior to administration of SIMPARICA TRIO, dogs should be tested for existing heartworm infections. Infected dogs should be treated with an adulticide to remove adult heartworms. SIMPARICA TRIO is not effective against adult *D. immitis*.

The safe use of SIMPARICA TRIO has not been evaluated in breeding, pregnant, or lactating dogs.

### ADVERSE REACTIONS

In a field safety and effectiveness study, SIMPARICA TRIO was administered to dogs for the prevention of heartworm disease. The study included a total of 410 dogs treated once monthly for 11 treatments (272 treated with SIMPARICA TRIO and 138 treated with an active control). Over the 330-day study period, all observations of potential adverse reactions were recorded. The most frequent reactions reported in the SIMPARICA TRIO group are presented in the following table.

Table 1. Dogs with Adverse Reactions

Clinical Sign	SIMPARICA TRIO <i>n</i> = 272	Active Control <i>n</i> = 138
Vomiting	14.3%	10.9%
Diarrhea	13.2%	8.0%
Lethargy	8.5%	6.5%
Anorexia	5.1%	5.8%
Polyuria	3.7%	3.6%
Hyperactivity	2.2%	0.7%
Polydipsia	2.2%	2.9%

In a second field safety and effectiveness study, SIMPARICA TRIO was administered to 278 dogs with fleas. Adverse reactions in dogs treated with SIMPARICA TRIO included diarrhea.

In a third field safety and effectiveness study, SIMPARICA TRIO was administered to 120 dogs with roundworms. Adverse reactions in dogs treated with SIMPARICA TRIO included diarrhea and vomiting.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

For a copy of the Safety Data Sheet or to report adverse reactions, call Zoetis Inc. at 1-888-963-8471. For additional information about adverse drug experience reporting for animal drugs, contact FDA at 1-888-FDA-VETS or www.fda.gov/reportanimalae.

### CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

Following oral administration of SIMPARICA TRIO in Beagle dogs (13 to 15 months of age at the time of initial dosing), sarolaner and moxidectin were rapidly and well-absorbed. Following a single oral dose of SIMPARICA TRIO (sarolaner dose of 1.2 mg/kg), the sarolaner mean maximum plasma concentration ( $C_{max}$ ) was 523 ng/mL with a mean time to maximum concentration ( $T_{max}$ ) of 3.5 hours and an absolute bioavailability of 88%. At a moxidectin dose of 0.024 mg/kg, the moxidectin mean  $C_{max}$  was 13.1 ng/mL with a mean  $T_{max}$  of 2.4 hours and an absolute bioavailability of 67%.

Following intravenous (IV) dosing of a combination solution of sarolaner and moxidectin, the sarolaner volume of distribution ( $V_d$ ) was 2.4 L/kg and systemic clearance (CL) was 6.0 mL/kg/hr. For moxidectin the  $V_d$  was 7.65 L/kg and CL was 26.6 mL/kg/hr. The terminal half-lives were similar after oral and IV dosing for both sarolaner (12 days) and moxidectin (11 days). The primary route of elimination of both sarolaner and moxidectin is biliary excretion with minimal metabolism.

Following an oral dose of SIMPARICA TRIO containing 5 mg/kg pyrantel (as pamoate salt), pyrantel has measurable plasma concentrations, but they are low and highly variable. Pyrantel pamoate is intended to remain in the gastrointestinal tract allowing for delivery of effective concentrations to gastrointestinal nematodes.

### MODE OF ACTION

SIMPARICA TRIO contains three active pharmaceutical ingredients, sarolaner, moxidectin, and pyrantel pamoate.

Sarolaner is an acaricide and insecticide belonging to the isoxazoline group. Sarolaner inhibits the function of the neurotransmitter gamma aminobutyric acid (GABA) receptor and glutamate receptor, and works at the neuromuscular junction in insects. This results in uncontrolled neuromuscular activity leading to death in insects or acarines.

Moxidectin is an endectocide in the macrocyclic lactone class. Moxidectin acts by interfering with the chloride channel-mediated neurotransmission in the parasite. This results in paralysis and death of the parasite.

Pyrantel pamoate is a nematocide belonging to the tetrahydropyrimidine class. Pyrantel acts as a depolarizing, neuromuscular-blocking agent in susceptible parasites, which causes paralysis and death or expulsion of the organism.

### EFFECTIVENESS

#### Heartworm Prevention

In two well-controlled laboratory studies, a single oral dose of SIMPARICA TRIO was 100% effective in preventing the development of adult *D. immitis* in dogs inoculated with infective larvae 30 days before treatment.

In a well-controlled US field study consisting of 246 dogs administered SIMPARICA TRIO and 119 administered an active control, no dogs treated with SIMPARICA TRIO tested positive for heartworm disease. All dogs treated with SIMPARICA TRIO were negative for *D. immitis* antigen and blood microfilariae at study completion on day 330.

#### Flea Treatment and Prevention

In a well-controlled laboratory study, SIMPARICA TRIO began to kill fleas at 4 hours and demonstrated 100% effectiveness at 8 hours after initial administration. After weekly re-infestations, SIMPARICA TRIO reduced the number of live fleas by  $\geq 97.8\%$  within 12 hours of infestation for 28 days.

In a separate well-controlled laboratory study, SIMPARICA TRIO demonstrated 100% effectiveness against adult fleas within 24 hours following treatment and maintained  $\geq 99.7\%$  effectiveness against weekly re-infestations for 35 days.

In a study to explore flea egg production and viability, SIMPARICA TRIO killed fleas before they could lay eggs for 35 days.

In a well-controlled 60-day US field study conducted in dogs with existing flea infestations of varying severity, the effectiveness of SIMPARICA TRIO against fleas on Day 30 and 60 visits was 99.0% and 99.7%, respectively, compared to baseline. Dogs with signs of flea allergy dermatitis showed improvement in erythema, papules, scaling, alopecia, dermatitis/pyodermitis and pruritus as a direct result of eliminating fleas.

#### Tick Treatment and Control

In a well-controlled laboratory study, SIMPARICA TRIO began to kill existing *I. scapularis* within 8 hours, SIMPARICA TRIO reduced the number of live ticks by  $\geq 94.2\%$  within 24 hours of infestation for 28 days.

In well-controlled laboratory studies, SIMPARICA TRIO demonstrated  $\geq 98.9\%$  effectiveness against an existing infestation of *Amblyomma maculatum*, *Ixodes scapularis*, *Rhipicephalus sanguineus*, and *Dermacentor variabilis* 48 hours post-administration and maintained  $\geq 90.4\%$  effectiveness 48 hours after re-infestation for at least 28 days. Against *Amblyomma americanum*, SIMPARICA TRIO demonstrated  $\geq 99.4\%$  effectiveness 72 hours after treatment of existing infestations, and maintained  $\geq 98.4\%$  effectiveness 72 hours after re-infestation for at least 28 days. In two separate, well-controlled laboratory studies, SIMPARICA TRIO was effective at preventing *Borrelia burgdorferi* infections after dogs were infested with *Ixodes scapularis* vector ticks 28 days post-treatment.

#### Intestinal Nematode Treatment and Control

Elimination of roundworms (immature adult and adult *Toxocara canis* and adult *Toxascaris leonina*) and hookworm (L4, immature adult, and adult *Ancylostoma caninum* and adult *Uncinaria stenocephala*) was demonstrated in well-controlled laboratory studies.

In a 10-day multi-center field study, SIMPARICA TRIO was effective against *Toxocara canis* and reduced fecal egg counts 99.2%.

### ANIMAL SAFETY

**Margin of Safety:** SIMPARICA TRIO was administered orally to 8-week-old Beagle puppies at doses of 1, 3, and 5X the maximum labeled dose (2.4 mg/kg sarolaner, 48 µg/kg moxidectin, and 10 mg/kg pyrantel) at 28 day intervals for 7 treatments. Dogs in the control group received placebo. There were no clinically-relevant, treatment related effects on clinical observations, body weights, food consumption, clinical pathology (hematology, coagulation, serum chemistry, and urinalysis), gross pathology, histopathology, or organ weights. During the end-of-study ophthalmic examination, the following change was found: one 1X dog had retinal dysplasia (OS folds).

#### Ivermectin-sensitive Collie Safety:

SIMPARICA TRIO was administered orally once at 1, 3 and 5X the maximum labeled dose to Collies that had been pre-screened for avermectin sensitivity. Dogs in the control group received placebo. Clinical signs (ataxia, muscle fasciculations, mydriasis) associated with avermectin sensitivity were observed in the 5X group. All dogs were completely recovered by the third day of the study.

#### Heartworm-Positive Safety:

SIMPARICA TRIO was administered orally at 1 and 3X the maximum labeled dose at 28 day intervals for 3 treatments to Beagle dogs with patent adult heartworm infections and circulating microfilariae. Dogs in the control group received placebo. Diarrhea occurred more commonly in the treated dogs and also more often in the 3X group compared with the 1X group. Two dogs (1 each in 1X and 3X) developed a fever less than 24 hours after the first dose. The fever may have been a transient reaction to a rapid microfilaria reduction. Both dogs recovered without treatment.

**Field Safety:** In three well-controlled field studies, SIMPARICA TRIO was used concurrently with other medications such as vaccines, antimicrobials, anthelmintics, antiprotozoals, steroid and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents, anesthetic agents and analgesics. No adverse reactions were associated with the concurrent use of SIMPARICA TRIO and other medications.

### STORAGE CONDITIONS

Store at or below 30°C (86°F).

### HOW SUPPLIED

SIMPARICA TRIO (sarolaner, moxidectin, and pyrantel chewable tablets) is available in six flavored tablet sizes (see **DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION**). Each tablet size is available in packages of one, three, or six tablets.

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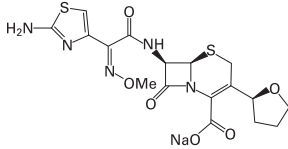
(cefovecin sodium)

Antimicrobial for Subcutaneous Injection in Dogs and Cats Only

**CAUTION: Federal law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian.**

**DESCRIPTION:** Cefovecin sodium is a semi-synthetic broad-spectrum antibacterial agent from the cephalosporin class of chemotherapeutic agents. Cefovecin is the non-proprietary designation for (6*R*,7*R*)-7-[[[2*Z*]-[2-amino-4-thiazolyl(methoxyimino)acetyl]amino]-8-oxo-3-[(2*S*)-tetrahydro-2-furanyl]-5-thia-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-ene-2-carboxylic acid, monosodium salt.

**Figure 1: Chemical structure of cefovecin sodium.**



Each mL of CONVENIA reconstituted lyophilic contains cefovecin sodium equivalent to 80.0 mg cefovecin, methylparaben 1.8 mg (preservative), propylparaben 0.2 mg (preservative), sodium citrate dihydrate 5.8 mg and citric acid monohydrate 0.1 mg, sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid as required to adjust pH.

## INDICATIONS:

### Dogs

CONVENIA is indicated for the treatment of skin infections (secondary superficial pyoderma, abscesses, and wounds) in dogs caused by susceptible strains of *Staphylococcus intermedius* and *Streptococcus canis* (Group G).

### Cats

CONVENIA is indicated for the treatment of skin infections (wounds and abscesses) in cats caused by susceptible strains of *Pasteurella multocida*.

## DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION:

### Dogs

CONVENIA should be administered as a single subcutaneous injection of 3.6 mg/lb (8 mg/kg) body weight. A second subcutaneous injection of 3.6 mg/lb (8 mg/kg) may be administered if response to therapy is not complete. The decision for a second injection for any individual dog should take into consideration such factors as progress toward clinical resolution, the susceptibility of the causative organisms, and the integrity of the dog's host-defense mechanisms. Therapeutic drug concentrations after the first injection are maintained for 7 days for *S. intermedius* infections and for 14 days for *S. canis* (Group G) infections. Maximum treatment should not exceed 2 injections.

### Cats

CONVENIA should be administered as a single, one-time subcutaneous injection at a dose of 3.6 mg/lb (8 mg/kg) body weight. After an injection of CONVENIA, therapeutic concentrations are maintained for approximately 7 days for *Pasteurella multocida* infections.

## General Dosing Information

A sample of the lesion should be obtained for culture and susceptibility testing prior to beginning antimicrobial therapy. Once results become available, continue with appropriate therapy. If acceptable response to treatment is not observed, or if no improvement is seen within 3 to 4 days, then the diagnosis should be re-evaluated and appropriate alternative therapy considered.

CONVENIA may persist in the body for up to 65 days. The effect of remaining concentrations of cefovecin on any subsequent antimicrobial therapies has not been determined. Fluoroquinolone and aminoglycoside antimicrobials have been reported to be compatible with cephalosporin antimicrobial agents.<sup>1,2,3</sup>

**Table 1: Dose Table for CONVENIA at 8 mg/kg Body Weight**

Weight of Animal	Volume of CONVENIA (3.6 mg/lb or 0.045 mL/lb)
5 lb	0.23 mL
10 lb	0.45 mL
15 lb	0.67 mL
20 lb	0.90 mL
40 lb	1.8 mL
80 lb	3.6 mL

**PREPARATION OF SOLUTION FOR INJECTION:** To deliver the appropriate dose, aseptically reconstitute CONVENIA with 10 mL Sterile Water for Injection. Shake and allow vial to sit until all material is visually dissolved. The resulting solution contains cefovecin sodium equivalent to 80 mg/mL cefovecin. CONVENIA is light sensitive. The vial should be stored in the original carton and refrigerated when not in use. Use the entire contents of the vial within 56 days of reconstitution.

**CONTRAINDICATIONS:** CONVENIA is contraindicated in dogs and cats with known allergy to cefovecin or to  $\beta$ -lactam (penicillins and cephalosporins) group antimicrobials. Anaphylaxis has been reported with the use of this product in foreign market experience. If an allergic reaction or anaphylaxis occurs, CONVENIA should not be administered again and appropriate therapy should be instituted. Anaphylaxis may require treatment with epinephrine and other emergency measures, including oxygen, intravenous fluids, intravenous antihistamine, corticosteroids, and airway management, as clinically indicated. Adverse reactions may require prolonged treatment due to the prolonged systemic drug clearance (65 days).

**WARNINGS: Not for use in humans. Keep this and all drugs out of reach of children.** Consult a physician in case of accidental human exposure. For subcutaneous use in dogs and cats only. Antimicrobial drugs, including penicillins and cephalosporins, can cause allergic reactions in sensitized individuals. To minimize the possibility of allergic reactions, those handling such antimicrobials, including cefovecin, are advised to avoid direct contact of the product with the skin and mucous membranes.

## PRECAUTIONS:

Prescribing antibacterial drugs in the absence of a proven or strongly suspected bacterial infection is unlikely to provide benefit to treated animals and may increase the risk of the development of drug-resistant animal pathogens.

The safe use of CONVENIA in dogs or cats less than 4 months of age (see **Animal Safety**) and in breeding or lactating animals has not been determined. Safety has not been established for IM or IV administration. The long-term effects on injection sites have not been determined. CONVENIA is slowly eliminated from the body, approximately 65 days is needed to eliminate 97% of the administered dose from the body. Animals experiencing an adverse reaction may need to be monitored for this duration.

CONVENIA has been shown in an experimental *in vitro* system to result in an increase in free concentrations of carprofen, furosemide, doxycycline and ketoconazole. Concurrent use of these or other drugs that have a high degree of protein-binding (e.g. NSAIDs, propofol, cardiac, anticonvulsant, and behavioral medications) may compete with cefovecin binding and cause adverse reactions.

Positive direct Coombs' test results and false positive reactions for glucose in the urine have been reported during treatment with some cephalosporin antimicrobials. Cephalosporin antimicrobials may also cause falsely elevated urine protein determinations. Some antimicrobials, including cephalosporins, can cause lowered albumin values due to interference with certain testing methods.

Occasionally, cephalosporins and NSAIDs have been associated with myelotoxicity, thereby creating a toxic neutropenia<sup>4</sup>. Other hematological reactions seen with cephalosporins include neutropenia, anemia, hypoprothrombinemia, thrombocytopenia, prolonged prothrombin time (PT) and partial thromboplastin time (PTT), platelet dysfunction and transient increases in serum aminotransferases.

## ADVERSE REACTIONS:

### Dogs

A total of 320 dogs, ranging in age from 8 weeks to 19 years, were included in a field study safety analysis. Adverse reactions reported in dogs treated with CONVENIA and the active control are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2: Number of Dogs\* with Adverse Reactions Reported During the Field Study with CONVENIA**

Adverse Reaction	CONVENIA (n=157)	Active Control (n=163)
Lethargy	2	7
Anorexia/Decreased Appetite	5	8
Vomiting	6	12
Diarrhea	6	7
Blood in Feces	1	2
Dehydration	0	1
Flatulence	1	0
Increased Borborygmi	1	0

\* Some dogs may have experienced more than one adverse reaction or more than one occurrence of the same adverse reaction during the study.

Mild to moderate elevations in serum gamma glutamyl transferase or serum alanine aminotransferase were noted post-treatment in several of the CONVENIA-treated dogs. No clinical abnormalities were noted with these findings.

One CONVENIA-treated dog in a separate field study experienced diarrhea post-treatment lasting four weeks. The diarrhea resolved.

### Cats

A total of 291 cats, ranging in age from 2.4 months (one cat) to 21 years, were included in the field study safety analysis. Adverse reactions reported in cats treated with CONVENIA and the active control are summarized in Table 3.

**Table 3: Number of Cats\* with Adverse Reactions Reported During the Field Study with CONVENIA.**

Adverse Reaction	CONVENIA (n=147)	Active Control (n=144)
Vomiting	10	14
Diarrhea	7	26
Anorexia/Decreased Appetite	6	6
Lethargy	6	6
Hyper/Acting Strange	1	1
Inappropriate Urination	1	0

\*Some cats may have experienced more than one adverse reaction or more than one occurrence of the same adverse reaction during the study.

Four CONVENIA cases had mildly elevated post-study ALT (one case was elevated pre-study). No clinical abnormalities were noted with these findings.

Twenty-four CONVENIA cases had normal pre-study BUN values and elevated post-study BUN values (37 – 39 mg/dL post-study). There were 6 CONVENIA cases with normal pre- and mildly to moderately elevated post-study creatinine values. Two of these cases also had an elevated post-study BUN. No clinical abnormalities were noted with these findings.

One CONVENIA-treated cat in a separate field study experienced diarrhea post-treatment lasting 42 days. The diarrhea resolved.

**FOREIGN MARKET EXPERIENCE:** The following adverse events were reported voluntarily during post-approval use of the product in dogs and cats in foreign markets: death, tremors/ataxia, seizures, anaphylaxis, acute pulmonary edema, facial edema, injection site reactions (alopecia, scabs, necrosis, and erythema), hemolytic anemia, salivation, pruritus, lethargy, vomiting, diarrhea, and inappetence.

## CONTACT INFORMATION:

For a copy of the Safety Data Sheet or to report adverse reactions, call Zoetis Inc. at 1-888-963-8471. For additional information about adverse drug experience reporting for animal drugs, contact FDA at 1-888-FDA-VETS or at [www.fda.gov/reportanimalae](http://www.fda.gov/reportanimalae).

## CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY:

### Pharmacokinetics

Cefovecin is rapidly and completely absorbed following subcutaneous administration. Non-linear kinetics is exhibited (plasma concentrations do not increase proportionally with dose). Cefovecin does not undergo hepatic metabolism and the majority of a dose is excreted unchanged in the urine. Elimination also occurs from excretion of unchanged drug in the bile. Cefovecin is a highly protein bound molecule in dog plasma (98.5%) and cat plasma (99.8%) and may compete with other highly protein bound drugs for plasma protein binding sites that could result in transient, higher free drug concentrations of either compound. Pharmacokinetic parameters following subcutaneous dosing at 8 mg/kg in the dog and cat are summarized in Table 4.

**Table 4: Pharmacokinetic Parameters Reflecting Total Drug Concentrations in Plasma (mean  $\pm$  standard deviation or range) Following an 8 mg/kg Intravenous or Subcutaneous Dose of Cefovecin in Dogs and Cats**

PARAMETER	MEAN $\pm$ SD <sup>1</sup> or (Range)	
	Dogs	Cats <sup>2</sup>
Terminal plasma elimination half-life, T <sub>1/2</sub> (h) <sup>3h</sup>	133 $\pm$ 16	166 $\pm$ 18
AUC <sub>0-24h</sub> ( $\mu$ g·h/mL) <sup>3a</sup>	10400 $\pm$ 1900 <sup>p</sup>	22700 $\pm$ 3450
Time of maximum concentration, T <sub>max</sub> (h) <sup>3h</sup>	6.2 (0.5-12.0)	2.0 (0.5-6.0)
Maximum concentration, C <sub>max</sub> ( $\mu$ g/mL) <sup>3a</sup>	121 $\pm$ 51	141 $\pm$ 12
Vd <sub>ss</sub> (L/kg) <sup>3a</sup>	0.122 $\pm$ 0.011	0.090 $\pm$ 0.010
CL <sub>total</sub> (mL/h/kg) <sup>3a</sup>	0.76 $\pm$ 0.13 <sup>p</sup>	0.350 $\pm$ 0.40

<sup>1</sup> SD = standard deviation

<sup>2</sup> = a phase effect was observed, only data for the first phase are provided (n=6); all other data provided are derived from 12 animals

\* = SC

\*\* = IV

<sup>a</sup> = arithmetic mean

<sup>h</sup> = harmonic mean

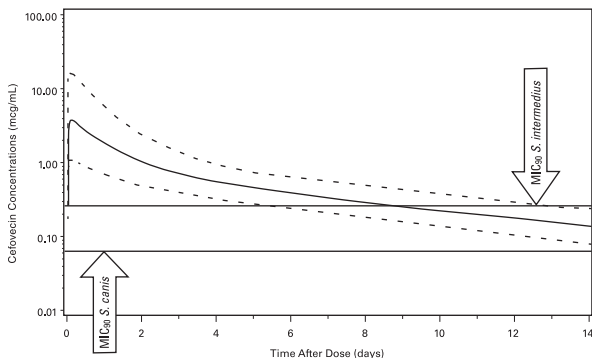
<sup>3</sup> = geometric mean

## Population Pharmacokinetics

### Dogs

Cefovecin plasma concentrations in the dog have been characterized by the use of population pharmacokinetic (PPK) data. Plasma cefovecin concentration data were pooled from seven laboratory pharmacokinetic studies, each involving young, normal healthy Beagle dogs. The final dataset contained 591 concentration records from 39 dogs. The simulations from the model provide the mean population estimate and the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of the population estimates of total and free cefovecin concentrations over time. Figure 2 shows the predicted free plasma concentrations following administration of 8 mg/kg body weight to dogs. Based upon these predicted concentrations, 95% of the canine population will have active (free) drug concentrations > the MIC<sub>50</sub> of *S. canis* (0.06 µg/mL) for approximately 14 days and free concentrations > the MIC<sub>90</sub> for *S. intermedius* (0.25 µg/mL) for approximately 7 days following a single 8 mg/kg subcutaneous injection of cefovecin. (See MICROBIOLOGY.)

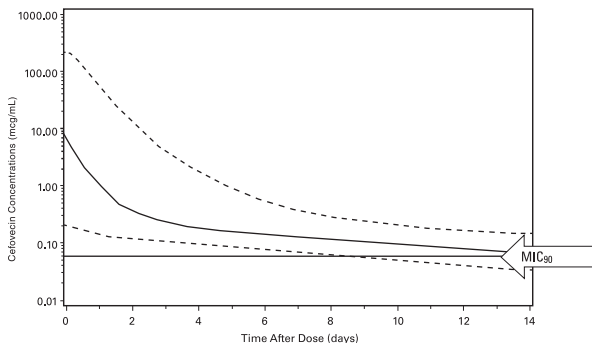
**Figure 2: Population Predicted Free Concentration of Cefovecin in Plasma Following a Single Subcutaneous Injection of 8 mg/kg Body Weight in Dogs** (solid line is population prediction, dotted lines are the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles for the population prediction).



### Cats

Cefovecin plasma concentrations in the cat have been characterized by the use of PPK data. Plasma cefovecin concentration data were pooled from four laboratory pharmacokinetic studies. The final dataset contained 338 concentration records from 22 cats. The simulations from the model provide the mean population estimate as well as the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile of the population estimates of total and free cefovecin concentrations over time. Figure 3 displays the predicted free plasma concentrations following administration of 8 mg/kg body weight to cats. Based upon these predicted concentrations, 95% of the feline population will have active (free) drug concentrations > the MIC<sub>50</sub> of *Pasteurella multocida* (0.06 µg/mL) for approximately 7 days when administered a single 8 mg/kg subcutaneous injection of cefovecin. (See MICROBIOLOGY.)

**Figure 3: Population Predicted Free Concentration of Cefovecin in Plasma Following a Single Subcutaneous Injection of 8 mg/kg Body Weight in Cats** (solid line is population prediction, dotted lines are the 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles for the population prediction).



**MICROBIOLOGY:** CONVENIA is a cephalosporin antibiotic. Like other β-lactam antimicrobials, CONVENIA exerts its inhibitory effect by interfering with bacterial cell wall synthesis. This interference is primarily due to its covalent binding to the penicillin-binding proteins (PBPs) (i.e., transpeptidase and carboxypeptidase), which are essential for synthesis of the bacterial cell wall. For *E. coli*, the *in vitro* activity of CONVENIA is comparable to other cephalosporins, but due to the high-affinity protein-binding, the *in vivo* free concentration of cefovecin does not reach the MIC<sub>90</sub> for *E. coli* (1.0 µg/mL). CONVENIA is not active against *Pseudomonas* spp. or enterococci.

### Dogs

The minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) values for cefovecin against label-claim pathogens isolated from skin infections in dogs enrolled in a 2001-2003 field effectiveness study are presented in Table 5. All MICs were determined in accordance with the Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute (CLSI) standards.

**Table 5. Activity of CONVENIA Against Pathogens Isolated from Dogs Treated With CONVENIA in Field Studies in the U.S. During 2001-2003.**

Disease	Pathogen	Microbiological Treatment Outcome	Number of Isolates	Sample Collection (Time Relative to Treatment)	MIC <sub>50</sub> µg/mL	MIC <sub>90</sub> µg/mL	MIC Range µg/mL
Skin infections	<i>Staphylococcus intermedius</i>	Success	44	Pre-Treatment	0.12	0.25	≤ 0.06 - 2
		Failure	4	Pre-Treatment			0.12 - 2
	<i>Streptococcus canis</i> (Group G)	Success	16	Pre-Treatment	≤ 0.06	≤ 0.06	≤ 0.06
		Failure	2	Pre-Treatment			≤ 0.06

### Cats

The MIC values for cefovecin against *Pasteurella multocida* isolated from skin infections (wounds and abscesses) in cats enrolled in a 2001-2003 field effectiveness study are presented in Table 6. All MICs were determined in accordance with the CLSI standards.

**Table 6. Activity of CONVENIA Against Pathogens Isolated from Cats Treated With CONVENIA in Field Studies in the U.S. During 2001-2003.**

Disease	Pathogen	Microbiological Treatment Outcome	Number of Isolates	Sample Collection (Time Relative to Treatment)	MIC <sub>50</sub> µg/mL	MIC <sub>90</sub> µg/mL	MIC Range µg/mL
Skin infections	<i>Pasteurella multocida</i>	Success	57	Pre-Treatment	≤ 0.06	≤ 0.06	≤ 0.06 - 0.12
		Failure	1	Pre-Treatment			≤ 0.06

## EFFECTIVENESS:

### Dogs

In a double-masked, 1:1 randomized canine field study conducted in the United States, the effectiveness of CONVENIA was compared to a cephalosporin active control. In this study, 320 dogs with superficial secondary pyoderma, abscesses, or infected wounds were treated with either a single injection of CONVENIA (n = 157) at 3.6 mg/lb (8 mg/kg) body weight or with an oral active control antibiotic (n = 163), administered twice daily for 14 days. In this study, dogs could receive a second course of therapy 14 days after the initial treatment. Of the 320 enrolled dogs, 22 of 157 dogs received two treatments of CONVENIA and 35 of 163 dogs received two courses of treatment with the active control. In the study, 118 of the 157 enrolled cases were evaluable for effectiveness for CONVENIA, and 117 of the 163 enrolled cases were evaluable for effectiveness of the active control antibiotic. CONVENIA was non-inferior to the active control. Table 7 summarizes the clinical success rates obtained 28 days after the initiation of the final course of therapy.

**Table 7: Clinical Success Rates by Treatment Group 28 Days after the Initiation of the Final Course of Therapy.**

Type of Infection	Dogs	
	CONVENIA (n=118)	Active Control (n=117)
Skin (secondary superficial pyoderma, abscesses, and infected wounds)	109 (92.4%)	108 (92.3%)

CONVENIA was administered concomitantly with other commonly used veterinary products such as heartworm preventatives, flea control products, sedatives/tranquilizers, anesthetic agents, routine immunizations, antihistamines, thyroid hormone supplementation, and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs during the field study.

### Cats

In a double-masked, 1:1 randomized cat field study conducted in the United States, the effectiveness of CONVENIA was compared to an active control. In this study, 291 cats with infected wounds or abscesses were treated with either a single injection of CONVENIA (n = 147) at 3.6 mg/lb (8 mg/kg) body weight or with an oral active control antibiotic (n = 144), administered once daily for 14 days. CONVENIA was non-inferior to the active control. The clinical success rates were obtained 28 days after the initiation of therapy and are presented in Table 8.

**Table 8: Clinical Success Rates by Treatment Group 28 Days after the Initiation of Therapy.**

Type of Infection	Cats	
	CONVENIA (n=89)	Active Control (n=88)
Skin (wounds and abscesses)	86 (96.6%)	80 (90.9%)

CONVENIA was used concomitantly with other commonly used veterinary products such as heartworm preventatives, flea control products, sedatives/tranquilizers, anesthetic agents, and vaccines during the field study.

## ANIMAL SAFETY:

### Dogs

CONVENIA administered to healthy four month old dogs at doses of 12 mg/kg (1.5 X), 36 mg/kg (4.5 X), and 60 mg/kg (7.5 X) every seven days by dorsoscapular subcutaneous injections was well-tolerated for a total of 5 doses. Vomiting and diarrhea were seen in all treatment groups, with the incidence of vomiting and the incidence and duration of diarrhea increasing in a dose-related manner. Injection site irritation and transient edema occurred with increasing frequency in a dose-related manner and with repeat injections. Two injection site reactions included a seroma over the shoulder and swelling lasting > 30 days. Dogs dosed at 36 mg/kg had a significant (p = 0.0088) increase in BUN (all means remained within the normal range) compared to the controls. One dog dosed at 60 mg/kg exhibited a glomerulopathy on histopathology, and one dog in this same group had minimal peliosis hepatis.

At an exaggerated dose of 180 mg/kg (22.5X) in dogs, CONVENIA caused some injection site irritation, vocalization and edema. Edema resolved within 8-24 hours.

### Cats

CONVENIA administered to healthy four month old cats at doses of 12 mg/kg (1.5 X), 36 mg/kg (4.5 X), and 60 mg/kg (7.5 X) every seven days by dorsoscapular subcutaneous injections was well tolerated for a total of 5 doses. Vomiting and diarrhea were observed in cats, with the incidence of vomiting, and the incidence and duration of diarrhea increasing in a dose-related manner. The mean albumin values for all the CONVENIA-treated cats were significantly lower (p ≤ 0.05) than the control values (all means remained within the normal range) for all time periods. The mean alkaline phosphatase values in the 60 mg/kg group were significantly higher (p ≤ 0.0291) than the control values for all time periods. Injection-site irritation and transient edema occurred with increasing frequency in a dose-related manner and with repeat injections. One cat in the 12 mg/kg group had a mild renal tubular and interstitial fibrosis, and one cat in the 12 mg/kg group had mild glomerulosclerosis on histopathology.

At an exaggerated dose of 180 mg/kg (22.5X), CONVENIA was associated with injection site irritation, vocalization and edema. Edema resolved within 8-24 hours. On Day 10, cats had lower mean white blood cell counts compared to the controls. One cat had a small amount of bilirubinuria on Day 10.

## STORAGE INFORMATION:

Store the powder and the reconstituted product in the original carton, refrigerated at 2° to 8° C (36° to 46° F). **Use the entire contents of the vial within 56 days of reconstitution.** PROTECT FROM LIGHT. After each use it is important to return the unused portion back to the refrigerator in the original carton. As with other cephalosporins, the color of the solution may vary from clear to amber at reconstitution and may darken over time. If stored as recommended, solution color does not adversely affect potency.

## HOW SUPPLIED:

CONVENIA is available as a 10 mL multi-use vial containing 800 milligrams of cefovecin as a lyophilized cake.

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