

# Metacam

## meloxicam

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This is a summary of the European public assessment report (EPAR) for Metacam. It explains how the Agency assessed this veterinary medicine to recommend its authorisation in the European Union (EU) and its conditions of use. It is not intended to provide practical advice on how to use Metacam.

For practical information about using Metacam, animal owners or keepers should read the package leaflet or contact their veterinarian or pharmacist.

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Metacam is a veterinary medicine that contains the active substance meloxicam.

In cattle, Metacam is used together with appropriate antibiotic therapy, to reduce clinical signs of disease, in acute (short-term) respiratory infection (infection of the lungs and airways). It can be used in diarrhoea in combination with oral re-hydration therapy (medicines given by mouth to restore water levels in the body) to reduce clinical signs of the disease in calves of over one week of age and young, non-lactating cattle. It can be used for the relief of post-operative pain following dehorning in calves and as supportive therapy in the treatment of acute mastitis (inflammation of the udder), in combination with antibiotics.

In pigs, Metacam is used in non-infectious locomotor disorders (diseases that affect the ability to move) to reduce the symptoms of lameness and inflammation, for the relief of post-operative pain associated with minor soft tissue surgery such as castration, and for supportive therapy together with appropriate antibiotic therapy in the treatment of diseases that occur after farrowing (giving birth) such as puerperal septicaemia and toxemia (mastitis-metritis-agalactia syndrome, a bacterial infection of the udder and/or the womb).

In horses, Metacam is used for the relief of pain associated with colic (abdominal pain) and for the alleviation of inflammation and relief of pain in both acute and chronic (long-term) musculo-skeletal disorders (disorders affecting the muscles and bones).

In dogs, Metacam is used to reduce post-operative pain and inflammation following orthopaedic (e.g. fracture operation) and soft tissue surgery. Moreover, it is used for the alleviation of inflammation and pain in both acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders in dogs.

In cats, Metacam is used to reduce post-operative pain and inflammation after ovariohysterectomy (spay operation), orthopaedic and minor soft tissue surgery. Moreover, it is used for the alleviation of pain and inflammation in acute and chronic musculo-skeletal disorders.

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