

For the use of Registered Veterinary Practitioner, Hospital or Laboratory

VISIOCARE®

(Cyclosporine Ophthalmic Ointment 2 mg/gm)

Composition:

Each gm contains
Cyclosporine IP 2.0 mg
Sterile Ointment Base q.s.

Mode of action:

When applied ophthalmically, cyclosporine is believed to act as a local immunomodulator of diseases suspected to be immune-mediated such as keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS) and chronic superficial keratitis (CSK). In the management of KCS, the mechanism by which cyclosporine causes an increase in lacrimation is poorly understood. Clinical improvement in cases of KCS is not necessarily dependent on an increase in aqueous tear production.

Indications:

Cyclosporine ophthalmic ointment is indicated for management of chronic keratoconjunctivitis sicca (KCS) and chronic superficial keratitis (CSK) in dogs.

Dosage and Administration:

Remove debris with suitable nonirritating solutions. Apply a ¼ inch strip of ointment to the affected eye(s) every 12 hours. The ointment may be placed directly on the cornea or into the conjunctival sac.

It is recommended that dogs exhibiting chronic recurring conjunctivitis be tested for adequate tear production to determine if they are suffering from early stages of chronic KCS.

For best results in treating KCS, cyclosporine ophthalmic ointment should be administered early in the course of the disease before irreversible damage to the lacrimal tissue, or dense corneal scarring or pigmentation occurs.

Dogs afflicted with KCS or CSK will most likely require lifelong consistent therapy. For CSK, because environmental factors such as ultraviolet (UV) radiation are implicated in the pathogenesis, clinical signs may subside in the winter months when light intensity is reduced or if the dog is moved to a lower altitude, or indoors, and thus exposed to less UV radiation.

In cases refractory to cyclosporine, the diagnosis should be re-evaluated and a different course of therapy considered. Periodic reassessment of the need for cyclosporine ophthalmic ointment therapy is recommended.

Presentation: Visiocare® ointment is available in a 5 g tube in a carton.

Storage:

Store below 30°C. Do not freeze. Protect from light.

Precautions: Use the content within one month after opening the container.

Keep out of reach of children.

For external use only.

For ophthalmic use in dogs only.

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