

Summary of Product Characteristics

1 NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Multimin Solution for Injection for Cattle

2 QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

Each ml contains

Active substances:

Zinc: 60 mg,
(equivalent to zinc oxide: 74.68 mg)
Manganese: 10 mg,
(equivalent to manganese carbonate: 20.92 mg)
Copper: 15 mg,
(equivalent to copper carbonate: 26.09 mg)
Selenium: 5 mg,
(equivalent to sodium selenite: 10.95 mg)

Excipients:

Benzyl alcohol 10.4mg

For the full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

3 PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Solution for injection
Clear blue solution

4 CLINICAL PARTICULARS

4.1 Target Species

Cattle.

4.2 Indications for use, specifying the target species

Supply of trace minerals to correct concurrent clinical or subclinical deficiencies of selenium, copper, manganese and zinc which can arise during critical phases of the production or breeding life cycle.

4.3 Contraindications

Do not administer intramuscularly.

4.4 Special warnings for each target species

None.

4.5 Special precautions for use

Special precautions for use in animals

Additional copper, zinc, manganese or selenium should not be administered at the same time.
Use standard aseptic procedures during administration of injections.
Strict adherence to correct subcutaneous injection technique should be employed.
Ensure that animals are properly restrained, including those in the vicinity.

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

- This product is HIGHLY concentrated in Selenium.
- Due to a potential risk of Selenium toxicity, care should be taken when handling the product to avoid accidental self-injection.
- The most common manifestations of accidental exposure to selenium in humans are gastrointestinal and neurological symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting, tenderness, fatigue and irritability.
- When treating a large number of animals, a safe injection system should be used.
- Do not work alone when using the product.
- In the event of accidental self-injection, SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION and take the vial or package leaflet with you.
- Wash hands after use.

4.6 Adverse reactions (frequency and seriousness)

Mild pain is commonly observed during injection and can persist for the first hour after injection. Local reactions at the injection site are very common and consist of transient moderate to severe swelling that resolves within 48 hours and evolves into induration estimated at less than 5 cm at palpation after 14 days.

The frequency of adverse reactions is defined using the following convention:

- very common (more than 1 in 10 animals displaying adverse reactions during the course of one treatment)
- common (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 100 animals)
- uncommon (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 1,000 animals)
- rare (more than 1 but less than 10 animals in 10,000 animals)
- very rare (less than 1 animal in 10,000 animals, including isolated reports).

4.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay

Pregnancy:

Can be used during pregnancy.

Lactation:

Can be used during lactation.

4.8 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interactions

None known.

4.9 Amounts to be administered and administration route

Strictly for subcutaneous administration only.

Dose:

- Cattle - Up to 1 year: 1ml per 50kg
- Cattle - From 1-2 years: 1ml per 75kg
- Cattle - Over 2 years: 1ml per 100kg

Schedule of administration:

To be administered as a single administration during, or in advance of, periods of stress in the production and breeding life cycle likely to result in concurrent clinical or subclinical deficiencies of the four trace minerals (for example, transport/shipping, calving, breeding).

Maximal volume per injection site: 7ml

4.10 Overdose (symptoms, emergency procedures, antidotes), if necessary

Repeated overdosing (3 consecutive administrations) at one to three times the recommended dose (i.e. 3x – 9x recommended dose) is well tolerated systemically in cattle.

Repeated overdosing (3 consecutive administrations) at five times the recommended dose (i.e. 15x recommended dose) is associated with elevation of liver enzymes and centrilobular hepatocellular degeneration limited to two animals out of eight.

4.11 Withdrawal period(s)

Meat and offal: 8 days.

Milk: zero hours.

5 PHARMACOLOGICAL or IMMUNOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

Pharmacotherapeutic group: mineral supplements.

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5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

Manganese is indispensable for the action of glycotransferase. This enzyme plays a role in the formation of the mucopolysaccharide chondroitin sulphate, which is a component of cartilage and due to its action on the formation of cartilage, it is also important for bone formation. Mn is an important component of Mn superoxide dismutase enzyme used in the enzymatic antioxidant system.

Although manganese is also part of pyruvic carboxylase and several other enzymes, other divalent cations may serve as alternatives for its role in the activity of these enzymes.

Copper forms an integral part of a number of metalloproteins notably caeruloplasmin, monoamine oxidase, lysyl oxidase, cytochrome C and superoxide dismutase enzymes.

Zinc acts as a cofactor of numerous enzymes, e.g. alcohol dehydrogenase, carbonic anhydrase and carboxypeptidase. Zn is an important component of Zn superoxide dismutase enzyme used in the enzymatic antioxidant system. Zinc plays a role in protein synthesis and cell division. It also exerts crucial influence on the maintenance of cell membrane stability and in the function of the immune system. The connection between the known physiological functions of zinc and the various manifestations of zinc deficiency remain largely unexplained. Zinc interacts with several metabolic ions. Copper, calcium and phytate (a constituent of cereals) reduce zinc absorption; cadmium and zinc compete with each other.

Selenium exerts an antioxidative effect at the cell membrane against hydrogen peroxide and lipoperoxides. The effects are related to enzymatic activity of glutathione peroxidase (GSHPx) which contains selenocysteine. Selenium's protective antioxidative action is partially linked to that of vitamin E. Selenocysteine is also an integral component of other functional proteins e.g. tetra-iodothyronine-5-I-deiodinase (involved in metabolism of thyroid hormones) but the full extent of the biochemical mode of action of selenium in the body still remains to be elucidated.

5.2 Pharmacokinetic particulars

Absorption:

Following subcutaneous administration, the trace minerals are rapidly absorbed from the injection site.

Distribution:

Once absorbed, manganese is transported to organs rich in mitochondria (in particular the liver, pancreas, and pituitary) where it is rapidly concentrated. The main organ involved in manganese accumulation is the liver which accumulates significantly higher levels of manganese statistically than the kidney. The turnover of manganese in mammalian tissues is rapid.

Absorbed copper binds to plasma albumin and amino acids in the portal blood and is transported to the liver where it is incorporated into caeruloplasmin and later released into the plasma. Hepatic copper is distributed in several subcellular fractions associated with copper-dependent enzymes and copper-dependent proteins. Copper is also found in erythrocytes in the form of erythrocyuprein and other proteins and in bone marrow bound to metallothionein.

Zinc accumulation is most striking in muscle, followed by the liver, kidney and blood. Zinc values in muscle, liver and kidneys are similar.

Parenteral selenium is initially transported by serum albumin, after absorption, and later by alpha-2 and beta-1globulin fractions. Selenium is distributed throughout the body, but the highest amounts are present in the liver, kidneys, and muscle.

Metabolism:

Manganese does not metabolize; it is absorbed and excreted unchanged.

Copper is available for metabolism by the liver when present as the form bound to albumin. The liver is the major storage organ for copper where it is protein bound, followed by the kidney, muscle and blood.

After absorption into the body, zinc becomes bound to protein complexes, the most important of which is metallothionein, which acts as a carrier and transport mechanism. As an element zinc is not metabolized per se. Zinc does not accumulate in the body following continued [excessive] exposure.

The metabolic process involving selenium is dependent on the chemical form and dose as well as on nutritional status. Major metabolites are methylated selenites. Two major metabolic products of selenite have been identified: dimethyl selenide and a trimethylselenonium ion.

Excretion:

The liver, pancreas, adrenals and intestine play a role in the predominantly faecal excretion of manganese. Small amounts may be excreted in urine. For calves, 21% of an injected dose of manganese is excreted in bile.

Excess copper is excreted mainly via bile and faeces, though urinary losses account for 0.5% to 3% of the daily intake.

Excretion of absorbed zinc takes place mainly via bile (80%) and less so via urine and sweat.

6 PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Benzyl alcohol (E1519)

Edetic acid

Sodium hydroxide

Water for injection

6.2 Major incompatibilities

In the absence of compatibility studies, this veterinary medicinal product must not be mixed with other veterinary medicinal products.

6.3 Shelf-life

Shelf life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 30 months

Shelf life after first opening the immediate packaging: 28 days

6.4 Special precautions for storage

This veterinary medicinal product does not require any special storage conditions.

6.5 Nature and composition of immediate packaging

1 x 100 ml clear Polyethylene Terephthalate bottle closed with grey bromobutyl rubber stopper sealed with aluminium cap.

1 x 500ml clear Polyethylene Terephthalate bottle closed with grey bromobutyl rubber stopper sealed with aluminium cap.

Not all sizes may be marketed.

6.6 Special precautions for the disposal of unused veterinary medicinal products or waste materials derived from the use of such products

Any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived from such veterinary medicinal products should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

7 MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

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