

## **"PACKAGE LEAFLET:**

### **Colixyme 22.5 MIU/g powder for use in drinking water**

#### **1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER AND OF THE MANUFACTURING AUTHORISATION HOLDER RESPONSIBLE FOR BATCH RELEASE, IF DIFFERENT**

##### **Marketing authorisation holder:**

Andersen S.L. Avda. de la Llana, 123 08191 Rubí (SPAIN)

##### **Manufacturer responsible for batch release:**

Laboratorios Maymó S.A. Polígono Industrial Can Pelegrí C/ Ferro, 9. 08755  
Castellbisbal (SPAIN)

#### **2. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

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Colistin sulfate

#### **3. STATEMENT OF THE ACTIVE SUBSTANCE(S) AND OTHER INGREDIENT(S)**

Each g contains:

##### **Active substance**

Colistin (as sulfate) 22.5 MIU

Excipients:

None

White or almost white powder

#### **4. INDICATIONS**

Treatment and metaphylaxis of enteric infections caused by non-invasive *E. coli* susceptible to colistin.

The presence of the disease in the herd should be established before metaphylactic treatment

#### **5. CONTRAINDICATIONS**

Do not use in cases of known hypersensitivity to colistin or to any of the excipients.

Do not use in case of resistance to polymyxins.

Do not use in horses, particularly in foals, since colistin, due to a shift in the gastrointestinal microflora balance could lead to the development of antimicrobial associated colitis (Colitis X), typically associated with *Clostridium difficile*, which may be fatal.

## **6. ADVERSE REACTIONS**

None known.

If you notice any side effects even those not already listed in this package leaflet or you think that the medicine has not worked, please inform your veterinary surgeon.

## **7. TARGET SPECIES**

Chicken, turkeys, cattle (calves) and pigs

## **8. DOSAGE FOR EACH SPECIES, ROUTE(S) AND METHOD OF ADMINISTRATION**

In drinking water use

Calves and pigs: 100 000 IU of colistin/kg body weight daily for 3-5 consecutive days (equivalent to 4,44 mg product/kg BW/day for 3-5 days).

Chicken and turkeys: 75 000 IU of colistin/kg body weight daily for 3-5 consecutive days (equivalent to 3,33 mg product/kg BW/day for 3-5 days).

Duration of treatment should be limited to the minimum time necessary for the treatment of the disease.

The intake of medicated water depends on the physiological and clinical condition of the animals. In order to obtain the correct dosage, the concentration of colistin has to be adjusted accordingly. Carefully calculate the average body weight to be treated and the average daily water consumption before each treatment.

Medicated water must be renewed every 24 hours. The medicated water should be the only source of drinking water for the animals for the entire duration of the treatment period.

With the following formula, we can calculate an exact dosage:

$$\frac{\text{... g of the product per kg bodyweight}}{\text{average body weight (kg) of the animals to be treated}} \times \frac{\text{number of animals}}{\text{Total water consumption (L) of the herd/flock on previous day}} = \text{...g of the product/daily consumption of drinking water}$$

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Administration without a dosing pump:

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Administration via a dosing pump:

The treatment is distributed over a period of 24 hours, for 3 consecutive days.

A dosing pump is used to add a stock solution at a pre-determined concentration to the drinking water.

## 9. ADVICE ON CORRECT ADMINISTRATIONS

Medicated water must be renewed every 24 hours.

Remove the drinking water of animals prior to the administration of medicated water to ensure rapid intake.

## 10. WITHDRAWAL PERIOD

Calves and pigs

Meat and offal: 1 day

Chickens and turkeys

Meat and offal: 1 day

Eggs: zero days

## **11. SPECIAL STORAGE PRECAUTIONS:**

Keep out of the sight and reach of children.

Keep the container tightly closed in order to protect from light,

Do not use this veterinary medicinal product after the expiry date which is stated on the label after EXP. The expiry date refers to the last day of that month.

Shelf-life after first opening the container:

6150 MIU bag: 28 days

615 MIU and 1020 MIU sachets: use immediately.

Shelf-life after dilution in water according to directions: 24 hours

## **12. SPECIAL WARNINGS:**

### Special precautions for use in animals

Severely diseased animals have a different drinking pattern and must consequently be treated parenterally. Colistin exerts concentration-dependent activity against Gram-negative bacteria. Following oral administration high concentrations are achieved in the gastrointestinal tract, i.e. the target site, due to the poor absorption of the substance. These factors indicate that a longer duration of treatment than the one indicated in section 8, leading to unnecessary exposure, is not recommended.

Use of the product should be based on susceptibility testing of the bacteria isolated from the animal. If this is not possible, therapy should be based on local (regional, farm level) epidemiological information about susceptibility of the target bacteria.

In the case of newborn animals and of animals with severe gastrointestinal and renal disorders the absorption of colistin may be increased. Neuro- and nephrotoxic alterations may occur.

Do not use colistin as a substitute for good management practices.

Colistin is a last resort drug in human medicine for treatment of infections caused by certain multi-drug resistant bacteria. In order to minimise any potential risk associated with widespread use of colistin, its use should be limited to treatment or treatment and metaphylaxis of diseases, and should not be used for prophylaxis.

Whenever possible, colistin should only be used based on susceptibility testing.

Use of the product deviating from the instructions given in the SPC may lead to treatment failures and increase the prevalence of bacteria resistant to colistin.

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

People with known hypersensitivity to polymyxins, such as colistin, should avoid contact with the product.

Personal protective equipment consisting of gloves and protective goggles should be worn when handling and dosing the veterinary medicinal product).

When handling the product, avoid all direct contact with skin and eyes, as well as inhaling the powder.

Wash hands following use. Wash your clothes daily after using the product.

Use the product in places with suitable ventilation.

Do not smoke, eat or drink while handling the product.

If symptoms such as rash appear after exposure, seek medical attention and present these warnings. Swelling of face, lips or eyes, and difficulty breathing are serious signs that require urgent medical attention.

#### Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

With myorelaxants (tubocurarine, suxamethonium, pancurare, galamine) the neuromuscular blocking with respiratory failure risk may be increased.

After oral administration of colistin sulfate interaction with anaesthetics and myorelaxants may not be excluded in individual cases. The neuromuscular blocking action of muscle relaxants (tubocurarine, suxamethonium, pancurarine, galamine) are potentiated by Colistin increasing the risk of respiratory failure. The combination with aminoglycosides and levamisole should be avoided. The effects of colistin sulfate may be antagonized by binary cations (iron, calcium, magnesium) and by unsaturated fatty acids and polyphosphates.

There is cross-resistance between colistin and polymyxin B.

#### Overdose

In case of overdose, transient digestive problems, such as soft stools and tympanites may appear. Signs of neurotoxicity and nephrotoxicity may also appear.

#### Major Incompatibilities

Divalent cations (calcium, magnesium, manganese). Unsaturated fatty acids. In the absence of compatibility studies, this veterinary medicinal product must not be mixed with other veterinary medicinal products.

#### Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay

The safety of the veterinary medicinal product has not been established during pregnancy or lactation.

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### **13. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRODUCT OR WASTE MATERIALS, IF ANY**

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste.

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**XXX**

### **15. OTHER INFORMATION:**

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Bag and sachets of low density polyethylene/aluminium/ polyester with thermo-sealing closing system.

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Bag of 6150 MIU containing 273,06 g of product

Cardboard box with 20 sachets of 615 MIU containing 27,3 g of product

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To be supplied by veterinary prescription. Administration by a veterinary surgeon or under their direct responsibility.

Environmental properties: The active ingredient colistin sulfate is very persistent in soils.

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