

## **SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**

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

Panacur Equine 187.5 mg/g Oral Paste

### **2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION**

Each g of paste contains:

**Active substance:**

Fenbendazole 187.5 mg

**Excipients:**

| <b>Qualitative composition of excipients and other constituents</b> | <b>Quantitative composition if that information is essential for proper administration of the veterinary medicinal product</b> |
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| Methyl parahydroxybenzoate                                          | 1.7 mg                                                                                                                         |
| Propyl parahydroxybenzoate                                          | 0.16 mg                                                                                                                        |
| Mono propylene glycol                                               |                                                                                                                                |
| Apple and cinnamon flavour                                          |                                                                                                                                |
| Carbomer 980                                                        |                                                                                                                                |
| Glycerol (85%)                                                      |                                                                                                                                |
| Sorbitol, liquid crystalising                                       |                                                                                                                                |
| Sodium hydroxide                                                    |                                                                                                                                |
| Water purified                                                      |                                                                                                                                |

A white to light grey homogenous paste.

### **3. CLINICAL INFORMATION**

#### **3.1 Target species**

Horses and other equines.

#### **3.2 Indications for use for each target species**

A broad spectrum anthelmintic for the treatment and control of adult and immature roundworms of the gastrointestinal tract in horses and other equines. This veterinary medicinal product has an ovicidal effect on nematode eggs.

This veterinary medicinal product effectively treats and controls the following roundworm infections:

Large strongyles (adults and migrating larval stages of *S. vulgaris*; adults and tissue larval stages of *S. edentatus*).

Benzimidazole susceptible adult and immature small strongyles (cyathostomes), including encysted mucosal 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> stage larvae and it is also effective against encysted inhibited 3<sup>rd</sup> stage larvae in the mucosa.

Adult and immature *Oxyuris* spp., *Strongyloides* spp. and *Parascaris equorum*.

### **3.3 Contraindications**

None known.

### **3.4 Special warnings**

Care should be taken to avoid the following practices because they increase the risk of development of resistance and could ultimately result in ineffective therapy:

- Too frequent and repeated use of anthelmintics from the same class, over an extended period of time.
- Under dosing, which may be due to underestimation of bodyweight, misadministration of the veterinary medicinal product, or lack of calibration of the dosing device (if any).

Suspected clinical cases of resistance to anthelmintics should be further investigated using appropriate tests (e.g. Faecal Egg Count Reduction Test). Where the results of the test(s) strongly suggest resistance to a particular anthelmintic, an anthelmintic belonging to another pharmacological class and having a different mode of action should be used.

Resistance to fenbendazole has been reported in cyathostomes in horses. Therefore, the use of this veterinary medicinal product should be based on local (regional, farm) epidemiological information about susceptibility of nematodes and recommendations on how to limit further selection for resistance to anthelmintics.

### **3.5 Special precautions for use**

Special precautions for safe use in the target species:

Not applicable.

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

Direct contact with the skin should be kept to a minimum.

Personal protective equipment consisting of impermeable rubber gloves should be worn when handling the veterinary medicinal product.

Wash hands after use.

Special precautions for the protection of the environment:

Not applicable.

### **3.6 Adverse events**

Horses and other equines:

None known.

Reporting adverse events is important. It allows continuous safety monitoring of a veterinary medicinal product. Reports should be sent, preferably via a veterinarian, to either the marketing authorisation holder or its local representative or the national competent authority via the national reporting system. See the package leaflet for respective contact details.

### **3.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay**

Pregnancy:

Pregnant mares and foals may be safely treated with fenbendazole at therapeutic dosage levels.

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

None known.

### **3.9 Administration routes and dosage**

Oral use.

The veterinary medicinal product should be administered by squeezing the paste from the syringe onto the back of the tongue. No dietary control is required before or after treatment.

To ensure a correct dosage, bodyweight should be determined as accurately as possible. The use of suitably calibrated measuring equipment is recommended. Accuracy of the dosing device should be checked.

Routine treatment:

Administer orally, 1 syringe per 600 kg bodyweight.  
(= 7.5 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight)

Practical dosage recommendations:

|               |                                                 |                                 |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Up to 100 kg  | Miniature ponies                                | Syringe mark 100 kg             |
| 101 to 300 kg | Donkey, Shetland and other small ponies & foals | Syringe mark 300 kg (½ syringe) |
| 301 to 400 kg | Dartmoor, New Forest,                           | Syringe mark 400 kg             |

|                 |                               |                                                                                      |
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|                 | Welsh                         |                                                                                      |
| 401 to 500 kg   | Light hunters, Arabs, etc.    | Syringe mark 500 kg                                                                  |
| 501 to 600 kg   | Thoroughbreds                 | Syringe mark 600 kg (1 syringe)                                                      |
| 601 kg and over | Heavy hunters, draught horses | 1 full syringe plus additional 100 kg syringe marks for each extra 100 kg bodyweight |

Increased dosing for specific infections:

**Five-day course:**

For the treatment and control of migrating and tissue larval stages of large strongyles, encysted mucosal 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> stage small strongyle larvae and encysted inhibited 3<sup>rd</sup> stage small strongyle larvae in the mucosa, administer 1 syringe per 600 kg bodyweight daily for 5 days.

(= 7.5 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight daily for 5 days)

**Single dose treatments:**

For the treatment and control of encysted mucosal stages of small strongyles administer 1 syringe per 150 kg bodyweight.

(= 30 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight)

For the treatment and control of migrating stages of large strongyles administer 1 syringe per 75 kg bodyweight.

(= 60 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight)

For the treatment and control of *Strongyloides westeri* in sucking foals administer 1 syringe per 90 kg bodyweight.

(= 50 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight)

Recommended dosing programme:

Inappropriate use of anthelmintics may increase resistance selection pressure and lead to reduced efficacy. The decision to use the product should be based on professional advice and take into account current best practice recommendations for parasite control.

**3.10 Symptoms of overdose (and where applicable, emergency procedures and antidotes)**

Benzimidazoles have a high margin of safety.

**3.11 Special restrictions for use and special conditions for use, including restrictions on the use of antimicrobial and antiparasitic veterinary medicinal products in order to limit the risk of development of resistance**

Not applicable.

### **3.12 Withdrawal periods**

Not to be used in horses intended for human consumption.

Treated horses may never be slaughtered for human consumption.

The horse must have been declared as not intended for human consumption under national horse passport legislation.

## **4. PHARMACOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **4.1 ATCvet code: QP52AC13**

### **4.2 Pharmacodynamics**

Fenbendazole is an anthelmintic belonging to the benzimidazole carbamate group. Fenbendazole acts by interfering in the energy metabolism of the nematode. The anthelmintic efficacy is based on inhibition of the polymerisation of tubulin to microtubuli. The anthelmintic affects both adult and immature stages of gastrointestinal and respiratory nematodes.

### **4.3 Pharmacokinetics**

Fenbendazole is only partly absorbed from the intestine and reaches maximum plasma concentration 6 (4 - 8) hours after oral administration.

Fenbendazole is metabolised mainly by enzymes of the cytochrome P -450 system in the liver. The major oxidative metabolite is fenbendazole sulfoxide which is further metabolised to fenbendazole sulfone.

Fenbendazole and its metabolites are distributed throughout the body, but highest concentrations are found in the liver.

Fenbendazole and its metabolites are detectable in the plasma only during the first 48 hours following drug administration at a single dose rate of 10 mg fenbendazole/kg bodyweight.

Administration of fenbendazole at a dose rate of 10 mg/kg bodyweight daily for five consecutive days lead to accumulation of fenbendazole during the multiple dosing period whereas the concentrations of its two metabolites show only a slight increase. After the last administration on day 5, all three compounds are eliminated from blood very rapidly, within two or three days.

The elimination of fenbendazole and its metabolites occurs primarily via the faeces.

### **Environmental properties**

Fenbendazole is toxic to fish and other aquatic organisms.

## **5. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS**

### **5.1 Major incompatibilities**

None known.

## **5.2 Shelf life**

Shelf life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 3 years.

## **5.3 Special precautions for storage**

Do not store above 25°C.  
Protect from direct sunlight.

## **5.4 Nature and composition of immediate packaging**

A 24 g, white, opaque, high-density polyethylene, graduated oral syringe with a low-density polyethylene plunger and plunger head. The closure is a white, opaque, low-density polyethylene cap (push-fit).  
Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

## **5.5 Special precautions for the disposal of unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived from the use of such products**

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater.

The veterinary medicinal product should not enter water courses as fenbendazole may be dangerous for fish and other aquatic organisms. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with the veterinary medicinal product or used container.

Use take-back schemes for the disposal of any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived thereof in accordance with local requirements and with any national collection systems applicable to the veterinary medicinal product concerned.

## **6. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER**

Intervet International B.V.

## **7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER**

Vm 06376/4094

## **8. Date of first authorisation**

29 January 1993.

## **9. DATE OF THE LAST REVISION OF THE SUMMARY OF THE PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**

January 2026

## **10. CLASSIFICATION OF VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

Find more product information by searching for the 'Product Information Database' on [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk).

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