
SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

Vitbee 250, 0.025 % w/v Solution for Injection**Dechra Limited**

1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Vitbee 250, 0.025 % w/v Solution for Injection

2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION**Active substance**Qualitative composition

Cyanocobalamin

Quantitative composition

0.025 % w/v

Excipients

Phenol

0.500 % w/v

For a full list of excipients, see section 6.1.

3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM

Solution for injection.

A clear, red, sterile solution for injection.

4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS**4.1 Target species**

Sheep, foals and calves.

4.2 Indications for use, specifying the target speciesAs an aid in raising Vitamin B₁₂ levels in sheep, foals and calves.For use in the treatment of Vitamin B₁₂ deficiency, and for poor growth rates and general unthriftiness in young animals when associated with the above deficiency.**4.3 Contraindications**

Do not give by the intravenous route.

4.4 Special warnings for each target species

None known.

4.5 Special precautions for use

i. Special precautions for use in animals

Observe normal aseptic precautions.

ii. Special precautions for the person administering the veterinary medicinal product to animals

Care should be taken to avoid accidental self-injection or ingestion. In the case of accidental self-injection or ingestion, seek medical advice as a precautionary measure.

Following skin/eye contamination, wash/irrigate area thoroughly with cold water. Seek medical

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attention if irritation persists.
Wash hands after use.

4.6 Adverse reactions (frequency and seriousness)

None known.

4.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay

Not contraindicated in pregnant or lactating animals.

4.8 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

None known.

4.9 Amount(s) to be administered and administration route

Sheep 1-3 ml.
Calves and foals 2-4 ml.

By intra-muscular or subcutaneous injection.
Repeat in 7 days if required.
Following treatment, the vitamin B₁₂ status of herbivores should be maintained by dietary supplementation with cobalt.

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

Overdosage is unlikely.

4.11 Withdrawal period(s)

Meat: zero days.
Milk: zero hours.

5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

Pharmacotherapeutic group:

Cyanocobalamin

ATC Vet Code:

QB03BA01

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties

B vitamins are not stored in the body to any great extent.

5.2 Pharmacokinetic properties

The metabolism of cyanocobalamin is complex and is associated closely with that of folic acid and of ascorbic acid. It is important for maintenance of normal haemopoiesis, protection of the liver, maintenance of muscle tissue, healthy skin, brain and pancreatic metabolism.

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6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS**6.1 List of excipients**

Phenol
Sodium acid phosphate dihydrate
Sodium chloride
Water for injections

6.2 Incompatibilities

None known.

6.3 Shelf life

Shelf life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 2 years.
Shelf life after first opening the immediate packaging: 28 days.

6.4 Special precautions for storage

Do not store above 25°C.
Protect from light.
Following withdrawal of the first dose, use the product within 28 days.

6.5 Nature and composition of immediate packaging

50 ml type I amber glass vial, fitted with a red type I bung and aluminium overseal.
Secondary packaging: cardboard carton.

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

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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8. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER

Vm 10434/4043

9. DATE OF FIRST AUTHORISATION

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10. DATE OF REVISION OF THE TEXT

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