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# CHRONISCHE PIJN: WAT WE WETEN & NIET WETEN FARMACOLOGISCHE OPTIES.

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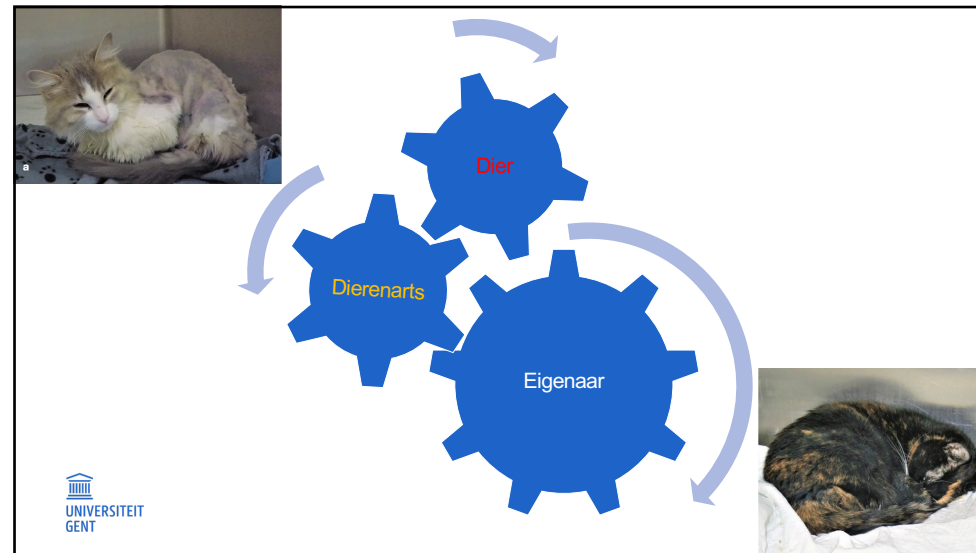
## CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING

3 belangrijke concepten van aanpak:

1. screening & preventief
2. georganiseerde & proactief
3. multimodaal

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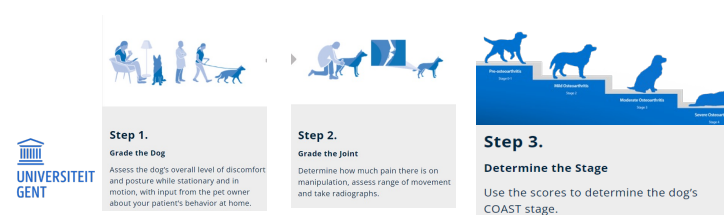


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## CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING

### 1. preventieve aanpak van chronische pijn

- moeilijker dan bij acute pijn
- preventieve aanpak van chronische pijn
  - herkenning zo vroeg mogelijk in het begin van de aandoening
  - bijvoorbeeld screening van evolutie van OA met de COAST



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**COAST TOOL**

**COAST Canine Osteoarthritis Staging Tool**

COAST is a new staging tool for canine OA recently proposed by leading experts in the fields of orthopedic health and pain management as a standardized approach to evaluating dogs with clinical signs of OA as well as those at risk of developing OA.

**INTRODUCING THE COAST Interactive PDF**

- Simplifies the use of COAST within the clinic
- Walks through the process one step at a time
- Pop-up additional details for accurate grading
- Automatic calculation of the COAST Stage of OA
- MFC or FCI Compatible
- Completed PDF can be **printed** or **shared electronically**
- Empty form may be **printed** for completion by hand if preferred

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

**Summary**

- The COAST PDF should be completed by an Animal Healthcare Professional (AHP)
- Completion of the patient information/signature sheet is optional
- Grading is obtained by recording signs per owner and when available, radiographic realisations of the patient as indicated
- Use validated Clinical Metrology Instrument (CMI) "Yes/never questionnaire" appropriate for the purpose of the assessment
- The COAST interactive PDF will automatically calculate the grade and COAST stage from the selections made
- The results obtained may help guide initiation or modification of a patient health care plan, tailored to meet the requirements of the individual dog

**Requirements for accurate, trouble-free use of the PDF**

- Selections must be made in listed order (top to bottom) for proper calculation
- Hover over the radio buttons for additional information (pop-ups whenever available) to assist accurate final grade selection
- Alterations to selections will interfere with the calculation
- Please close and return the PDF if a selection needs to be changed
- Upon completion, it is recommended that the assessment be given a unique file name and be saved as a PDF to lock down requirements
- Navigation: (ES&K) FILE > DOWNLOAD AS > (Select From Menu) PDF > Save
- Print: a hard copy of the assessment if required
- The PDF template must be re-opened to input a new patient assessment
- Increase the magnification of the entire page to view text in larger format

**Grade The Dog**

Enter results of the pet owner assessments (CMI) and their opinion of overall degree of their dog's discomfort as well as the results of the orthopedic examination. Severity increases from left to right, hover over the radio button for additional information whenever available.

Clinical Metrology Instrument (CMI)	0 or Very Low Score Not clinically affected	Low Score Mildly affected	Medium Score Moderately affected	High Score Severely affected
Effect on Static Posture	None	Low Level	Moderate Level	Unbearable
Effect on Motion	Normal	Mildly Abnormal	Moderately Abnormal	Severely Abnormal

**Grade The Joint**

Select side and most severely affected joint

	RIGHT	LEFT	SHOULDER	ELBOW	CARPUS	HIP	STIFLE	HOCK
Pain upon Manipulation	None	Mild	Moderate	Severe				
Passive Range of Movement	Normal	Mildly Abnormal	Moderately Abnormal	Severely Abnormal				
Radiography	No radiographic signs of OA	Mildly Abnormal	Moderately Abnormal	Severely Abnormal				

**Disease Severity**  
Highest grade equates to COAST stage

Moderate	Mild	PRE-CLINICAL	MILD	MODERATE	SEVERE
DOG GRADE	JOINT GRADE	0-1	2	3	4

*In moderate if Severity of 2 or more grades between dog and joint results*

COAST Stage of Canine Osteoarthritis

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**CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING**

## 2. georganiseerde & proactieve aanpak

- herkennen & scoren** van pijn
- herhaaldelijke controle** van pijnlevel tijdens behandeling
- informer en betrekken vd eigenaar** in het herkennen van pijn & pijnbehandeling
  - 'clinical metrology instruments'
  - preventie van **"breakthrough pain"**

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## CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING

Clinical metrology instruments, CMI's voor chronische pijn monitoring bij de hond:

Liverpool Osteoarthritis in Dogs (LOAD) <sup>d</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Valid
Canine Brief Pain Inventory (CBPI) <sup>e</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Valid
Helsinki chronic pain index <sup>f</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Limited validation
Sleep and nighttime restlessness evaluation (SNoRE) <sup>g</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Moderately validated
Client-specific outcome measures (CSOM) <sup>h</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Moderate	Monitoring	Moderately validated
Health related quality of life (HRQoL) <sup>i</sup>	Chronic	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Valid, not specific to pain

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## VOORBEELD CMI VOOR HONDEN - LOAD

- LOAD is gevalideerd voor het beoordelen van de impact van chronische OA pijn op het dagelijks leven van de hond (Walton et al. 2013)
- 23 vragen onderverdeeld in 3 groepen:
  - medische achtergrond
  - levensstijl
  - mobiliteit
- Interactieve pdf op de website van Elanco: [Printable\\_LOAD\\_Form.pdf \(kc-usercontent.com\)](#)

**Interpreting LOAD scores**  
The aggregate LOAD score helps determine the presence and severity of articular disorders like OA.



LOAD score is a recommendation only. Each patient should be carefully evaluated and examined by a registered veterinarian and the diagnosis of OA confirmed. Treatment options - including the benefits and risks of all available modalities - should be carefully considered and discussed with owners to determine the best course of action.

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## VOORBEELD CMI VOOR HONDEN - LOAD

- 23 vragen onderverdeeld in 3 groepen:
  - 3 vragen toetsen de medische achtergrond van het dier
  - 7 vragen toetsen de levensstijl van het dier
  - 13 vragen over 3 verschillende factoren van de pijnervaring:
    - de activiteit van het dier
    - de stijfheid/mankheid
    - het meteorologische effect op deze eerste twee factoren

## LOAD PAGE 1 & 2

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**Liverpool Osteoarthritis in Dogs (LOAD)**  
Owner questionnaire for dogs with mobility problems

Dear Owner,  
Thank you for agreeing to complete this questionnaire.  
Your experience in the questionnaire will enable us to gather valuable information about your pet, and is a vital component in our ongoing quest to combat painful and debilitating diseases such as arthritis. It is important that all questions are answered to the best of your ability and if you have a question regarding the questionnaire, please contact a health care member from your veterinary clinic. Thank you again for your help.

**Answering the questions**  
Most of the questions are 'best or worse'. It is important that you only check one box per question except where otherwise requested (e.g. Question 4 under Lifestyle).  
If you are in any doubt as to how to answer a particular question, please contact a member of staff for assistance.

Owner's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pet's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Clinic number: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Breed of pet: \_\_\_\_\_ Pet's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M  F

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**Background**

1. How long has your pet been suffering with his/her mobility problems?  
 Up to 6 months    6-12 months    12-24 months    24-36 months    More than 36 months

2. Has your dog been diagnosed as suffering from any other problems in addition to his/her orthopedic disease?  
 No    Yes  

3. If you can, please list any medications that your pet is currently receiving, stating when he/she received the last dose of each.

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**Lifestyle**

1. In the last week, on average, how far has your dog exercised each day?  
 0-0.5 miles    0.5-1 miles    1-2 miles    2-3 miles    More than 3 miles

2. In the last week, on average, how many walks has your dog had each day?  
 0    1    2    3    4    More than 4

3. What type of exercise is this?  
 Always on leash    Mostly on leash    Mostly off leash    Always off leash

4. Are there particular days of the week upon which your dog has significantly more exercise? (Check more than one box if necessary.)  
 Monday    Tuesday    Wednesday    Thursday    Friday    Saturday    Sunday   [Reset](#)

5. On what sort of terrain does your dog most often exercise?  
 On level grass    On road/turf    On street    Over rough ground

6. At exercise, how is your dog handled?  
 Walk on leash    Walk off leash    Free

7. Who limits the extent to which your dog exercises?  
 No    Training

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## LOAD PAGE 3 & 4

**At exercise**

**Mobility**

Generally

1. How is your dog's mobility in general?

Very good    Good    Fair    Poor    Very poor

2. How disabled is your dog by his/her lameness?

Not at all disabled    Slightly disabled    Moderately disabled    Severely disabled    Extremely disabled

3. How active is your dog?

Extremely active    Very active    Moderately active    Slightly active    Not at all active

4. What is the effect of cold, damp weather on your dog's lameness?

No effect    Mild effect    Moderate effect    Severe effect    Extreme effect

5. To what degree does your dog show stiffness in the affected leg after a "lie down"?

No stiffness    Mild stiffness    Moderate stiffness    Severe stiffness    Extreme stiffness

**At exercise**

6. At exercise, how active is your dog?

Extremely active    Very active    Fairly active    Not very active    Not at all active

7. How interested is your dog in exercising?

Extremely interested    Very interested    Fairly interested    Not very interested    Not at all interested

8. How would you rate your dog's ability to exercise?

Very good    Good    Fair    Poor    Very poor

**Initial Visit**

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9. What overall effect does exercise have on your dog's lameness?

No effect    Mild effect    Moderate effect    Severe effect    Extreme effect

10. How often does your dog rest (stop/sit down) during exercise?

Never    Frequently    Occasionally    Frequently    Very frequently

11. What is the effect of cold, damp weather on your pet's ability to exercise?

No effect    Mild effect    Moderate effect    Severe effect    Extreme effect

12. To what degree does your dog show stiffness in the affected leg after a "lie down" following exercise?

No stiffness    Mild stiffness    Moderate stiffness    Severe stiffness    Extreme stiffness



13. What is the effect of your dog's lameness on his/her ability to exercise?

No effect    Mild effect    Moderate effect    Severe effect    Extreme effect

Thank you once again for completing this questionnaire.  
Please return the form to a staff member.

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Clicking LMSI Score will calculate your score once.  
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## VOORBEELD CMI - CANINE BRIEF PAIN INVENTORY

- **Pain Severity Score (PSS):**
  - 4 vragen over pijnintensiteit
  - score 0 (geen pijn) – score 10 (extreme pijn)
  - gemiddelde geeft de PSS score
- **Pain Interference Score (PIS):**
  - 6 vragen over pijninterferentie met typische functie
  - score 0 (geen interferentie) – score 10 (complete interferentie)
  - Gemiddelde geeft de PIS score
- **Overall quality of life score**
  - descriptief: slecht tot excellent
- Evaluatie (Brown et al. 2013):
  - efficiënte behandeling:
    - afname van PSS  $\geq 1$  + PIS  $\geq 2$  tov baseline score + verbeterde of stabiele QoL-score



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## CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING

Clinical metrology instruments, CMI's voor chronische pijn monitoring bij de kat:


Musculoskeletal Pain Screening Checklist (MiPSC) <sup>8</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Screening	Valid
Feline Musculoskeletal Pain Index (FMPI) <sup>8</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Valid
Montreal Instrument for Cat Arthritis Testing—Caretaker (MICAT-C) <sup>9</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Moderately validated
Client-specific outcome measures <sup>8</sup>	Chronic, osteoarthritis	Owner	Moderate	Monitoring	Moderately validated
Health-related quality of life (HRQoL)	Chronic	Owner	Simple	Monitoring	Moderately valid (not specific to pain)

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## VOORBEELD CMI - FELINE MUSCULOSKELETAL PAIN INDEX

### Refinement of the Feline Musculoskeletal Pain Index (FMPI) and development of the short-form FMPI

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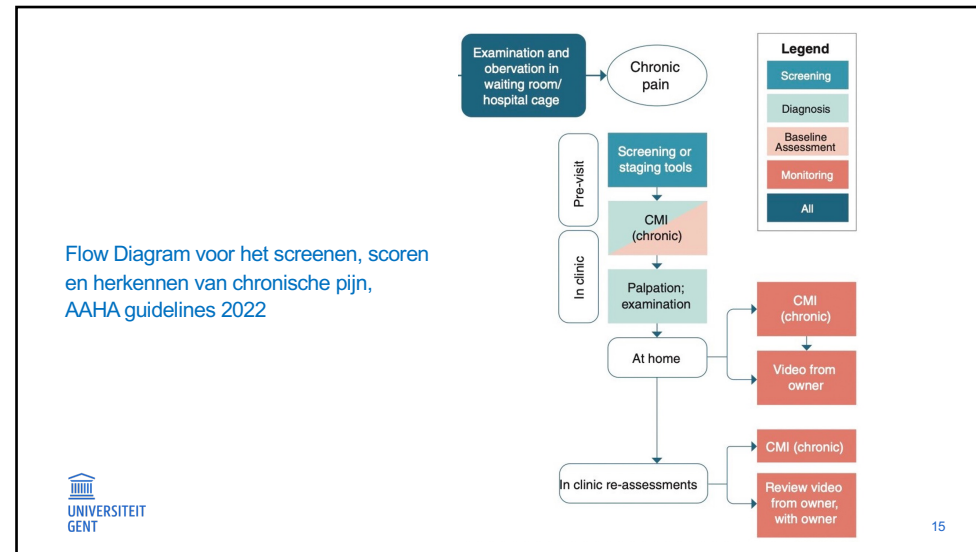
#### Results

The data from 180 cats from four studies were included. The original FMPI had a reasonable reliability, but low/no responsiveness. The elimination process of FMPI items refined the responsiveness of the instrument while maintaining its reliability. When the responsiveness was compared between the original FMPI (17 items) and the FMPI-sf (nine items), the treatment effect between groups was always greater when the FMPI-sf was used.

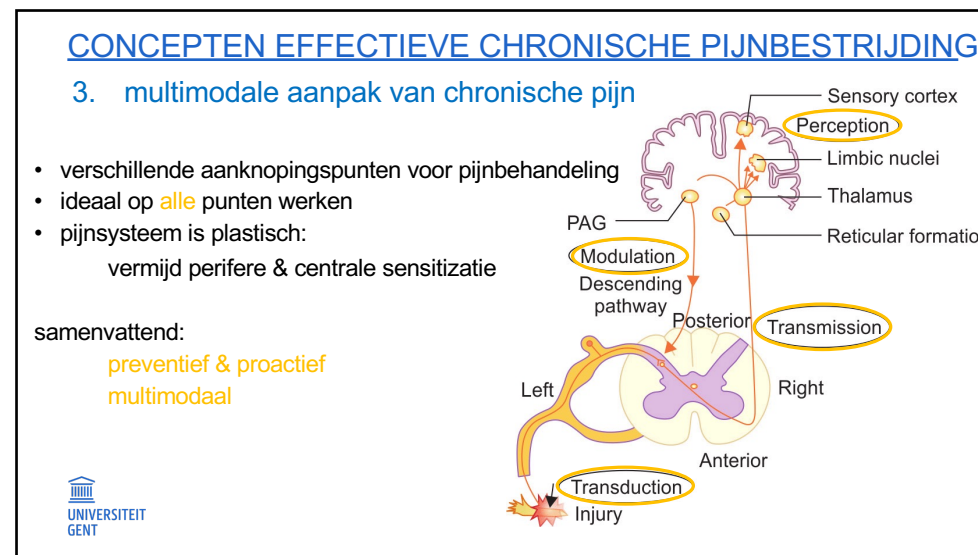
#### Conclusions and relevance

The proposed FMPI-sf may be able to better distinguish between placebo and analgesic effects in cats with DJD.

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## CONCEPTEN EFFECTIEVE CHRONISCHE PIJNBESTRIJDING

- **klassieke analgetica:**
  - NSAID's + piprants
  - opioïden
  - alfa<sub>2</sub>-agonisten
  - lokale anesthetica
  - ketamine
- **bijkomende behandelingen:**
  - **analgetica:**
    - paracetamol
    - amantadine
    - gabapentine & pregabaline
    - NMDA-receptor antagonisten
    - monoclonale antistoffen tegen NGF
    - ...
  - **niet-medicamenteuze methoden:**
    - fysiotherapie & beweging
    - gewichtscontrole
    - acupunctuur
    - nutritionele ondersteuning
    - palliatieve radietherapie
    - chirurgie
    - Laser
    - ...
- **OA disease modulating agents:**
  - gewrichtsinfiltraties:
    - cortico's
    - mesenchymale stamcellen
    - hyaluronzuur
    - platelet-rich plasma

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## Flow Diagram voor het management van chronische pijn, AAHA guidelines 2022

decreasing evidence for effectiveness

1ST TIER

2ND TIER

3RD TIER

Chronic

Cat      Dog

NSAID, antiNGF mAb      NSAID, antiNGF mAb

Omega-3s, environmental modifications, encouraging activity, weight optimization, surgery      Omega-3s, environmental modifications, exercise, weight optimization, surgery

Amantadine, Gabapentin, PSGAGs, TGA, steroids, disease specific drug therapies      Amantadine, Gabapentin, Acetaminophen, steroids, IA, steroids, PSGAGs, disease specific drug therapies

Physical modalities; Therapeutic exercise and rehabilitation; palliative radiation; disease specific therapies      Physical modalities; Therapeutic exercise and rehabilitation; palliative radiation; disease specific therapies

Tramadol      Tramadol

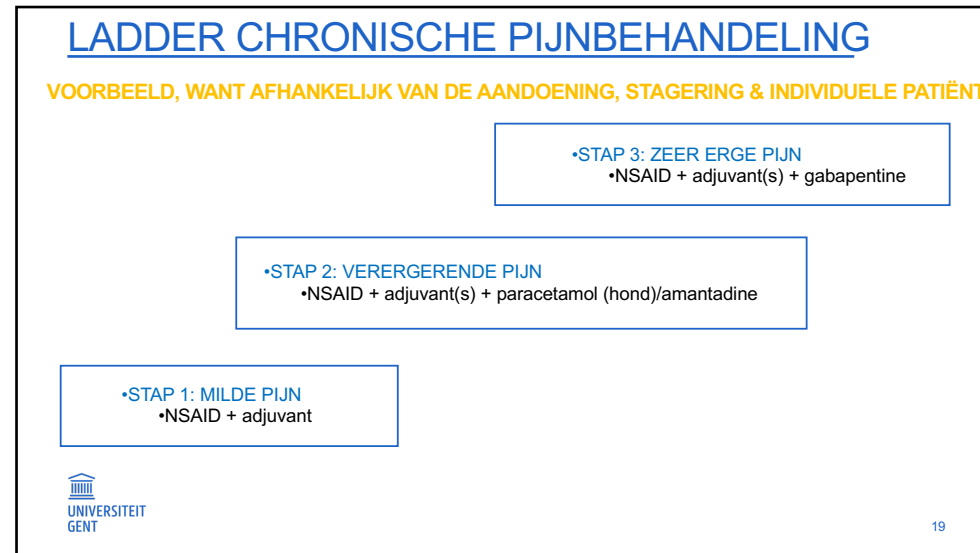
Non-Omega-3 nutritional supplements, salvage surgery      IA biologics (PRP, stem cells), non-Omega-3 supplements, ambulation assistance (braces, wheelchairs, slings), salvage surgery

**Legend**

Pharmacological      Non-pharmacological      High burden on owner      High impact

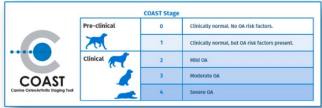
Decision Tree for Prioritizing Pain Management Therapies. This figure outlines a tiered approach to pain management in cats and dogs for acute and chronic pain. Tiers are presented from highest recommendation (most evidence for effectiveness) to lowest, although all therapies presented have some evidence to support their use. Physical modalities include laser therapy, pulsed electromagnetic field therapy, acupuncture, and transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation. Surgical procedures for chronic pain include top-tier treatments such as dental procedures, removal of painful lesions, joint stabilization and replacement, and amputation; lower tier (salvage) procedures including arthrodesis, denervation, and excision arthroplasty. Anti-NGF mAb, anti-nerve growth factor monoclonal antibody.

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## OA BEHANDELING: COAST STAGE 1



COAST Stage	Description
0	Clinically normal, no OA risk factors
1	Clinically normal, but OA risk factors present
2	Mild OA
3	Intermediate OA
4	Severe OA

FIGURE 1 | OA stages based on Canine Osteoarthritis Staging Tool (COAST). Image courtesy of Elanco.

### Proposed Canadian Consensus Guidelines on Osteoarthritis Treatment Based on OA-COAST Stages 1–4

Conny Mosley<sup>1,2\*</sup>, Tara Edwards<sup>3</sup>, Laura Romano<sup>4</sup>, Geoffrey Truchetti<sup>5</sup>, Laurie Dunbar<sup>6</sup>, Teresa Schiller<sup>7</sup>, Tom Gibson<sup>8</sup>, Charles Bruce<sup>9</sup> and Eric Troncy<sup>10</sup>

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### STAGE 1

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#### Core treatment recommendations


Client education	Risk factors identification, disease prevention, assessment plan
Weight optimization and nutrition	Adequate DHA/EPA supplementation, joint focused diets
Regular exercise	Well-balanced training and injury prevention
Physical rehabilitation	Injury prevention strategies, risk factor identification, muscle strength support



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## OA BEHANDELING: COAST STAGE 2



		COAST Stage	
Pre-clinical	0	Clinically normal, no OA risk factors.	
	1	Clinically normal, but OA risk factors present.	
Clinical	2	Mild OA	
	3	Moderate OA	
	4	Severe OA	

FIGURE 1 | OA stages based on Carine OsteoArthritis Staging Tool (COAST). Image courtesy of Elanco.

### STAGE 2


#### Core treatment recommendations

Client education	Disease and progression, assessment and treatment plan
Weight optimization and nutrition	Adequate DHA/EPA supplementation, joint focused diets
Regular exercise	Well-balanced training and suitable daily exercise
Physical rehabilitation	Injury prevention, risk factor identification, muscle strength support
Pain management	NSAIDs, flare up reduction

#### Secondary treatment considerations

Chondroprotective joint health support	Additional supplements for joint support
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## OA BEHANDELING: COAST STAGE 3



		COAST Stage	
Pre-clinical	0	Clinically normal, no OA risk factors.	
	1	Clinically normal, but OA risk factors present.	
Clinical	2	Mild OA	
	3	Moderate OA	
	4	Severe OA	

FIGURE 1 | OA stages based on Carine OsteoArthritis Staging Tool (COAST). Image courtesy of Elanco.

### STAGE 3

#### Core treatment recommendations

Client education	Disease progression, regular assessment and adequate treatment plan, QoL, pain management
Weight optimization and nutrition	Adequate DHA/EPA supplementation, joint health focused diets
Regular exercise	Suitable daily exercise, case specific exercises
Physical rehabilitation	Tailored rehabilitation program for muscle strength and joint support
Lifestyle adjustments	Changes for mobility support and injury prevention
Pain management	NSAIDs with individualized multimodal pain management plan


#### Secondary treatment considerations

Pharmaceutical medications	Pregabalin/Gabapentin, Anti-NGFmAb
Nutraceutical supplements	Cannabinoids, chondroprotective joint health support (DMOAD)
Modalities	Tailored supportive modalities
Interventional modalities	Joint injections, steroid epidural

#### Potential modalities to support OA treatment plan

- Acupuncture
- Photobiomodulation
- Pulsed ElectroMagnetic Field therapy (PEMF)
- Extracorporeal Shock Wave therapy (ESWT)
- Joint injections
- Steroid epidural

## OA BEHANDELING: COAST STAGE 4



COAST Stage	
Pre-clinical	0 Clinically normal. No OA risk factors.
Clinical	1 Clinically normal, but OA risk factors present.
	2 Mild OA
	3 Moderate OA
	4 Severe OA

FIGURE 1 | OA stages based on Carine OsteoArthritis Staging Tool (COAST). Image courtesy of Elanco.

**Potential modalities to support OA treatment plan**

- Acupuncture
- Photobiomodulation
- Pulsed ElectroMagnetic Field therapy (PEMF)
- Extracorporeal Shock Wave therapy (ESWT)
- Joint injections
- Steroid epidural

**STAGE 4**


**Core treatment recommendations**

Client education	CoL discussion and pain management, regular assessment, owner support
Weight optimization and nutrition	Adequate DHA/EPA supplementation, joint health focused diets
Regular exercise	Suitable daily exercise, case specific exercises
Physical rehabilitation	Tailored rehabilitation program for muscle strength and joint support, mental stimulation and CoL support
Lifestyle adjustments	Mobility and CoL support, injury prevention
Pain Management	NSAIDs, anti NGF mAb, individualized multimodal pain management plan

**Secondary treatment considerations**

Pharmaceutical medications	Pregabalin/Gabapentin, Amantadine
Nutraceutical supplements	Cannabinoids, chondroprotective joint health support (DMOAD)

Modalities	Tailored supportive modalities
Interventional modalities	Joint injections, steroid epidural



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# NIET-STEROÏDALE ONTSTEKINGSREMMERS



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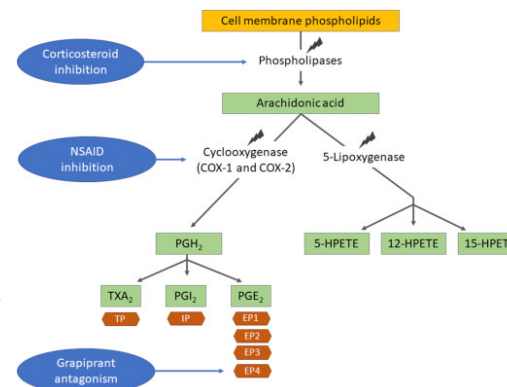
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## NSAIDS

- inhibitie van COX-enzymen
- grijpen aan op de **TRANSDUCTIE** in de pijnpathway:
  - belangrijk, want STAP 1 in de pijnpathway!!
  - remmen de vorming van prostaglandines
    - PGE<sub>2</sub>
  - verminderen nociceptie & primaire hyperalgesie
    - preventie EP4 receptor activatie & upregulatie

## NSAIDS

- werking NSAIDs:
- **klassieke NSAIDs**
  - verminderen vorming van prostanoiden
- **pijprants (grapiprant)**
  - verminderen activatie EP4 receptor



## NSAIDS

- NSAIDs zijn vaak de **hoeksteen** van de behandeling igv een belangrijke ontstekingscomponent, mits er geen tegenindicaties zijn voor hun gebruik.
- Nummer 1 optie in de behandeling van OA
- langdurige, efficiënte onderdrukking van de ontstekingsreactie & sensitizatie van nociceptoren
- **het gebruik van een 'individueel geschikt' NSAID is aangewezen**
  - efficiëntie is patiëntafhankelijk
  - nevenwerkingen zijn patiëntafhankelijk
  - behandelingsduur is patiëntafhankelijk



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## BEHANDELING – NSAIDS

- behandelingsduur voor OA bij de hond:
  - **minimaal 4 weken** aan geregistreerde dosis
    - efficiënte ontstekingsremming op cellulair niveau!
    - ook indien er reeds klinische verbetering is op W1
  - opvolging na 1 week: tolerantie NSAID
  - reëvaluatie effect na 4 weken
  - lange termijn behandeling kan nodig zijn
    - bloedonderzoek (CBC/biochemie) elke 3-6 maanden



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## BEHANDELING - NSAIDS

- langdurige toediening vereist soms het zoeken naar de **laagst effectieve dosis** en het **langste doseringsinterval**
- maar dosisreductie minder efficiënt dan continue toediening (meer patiënten vallen uit)
  - alleen eerste dosisreductie v 15% was efficiënt bij 87% vd honden (Wernham et al., 2011)
- dosisreductie met behoud van efficiëntie is individu afh
  - niet <60% van de initiële dosis
- therapietrouw blijft echter belangrijk (eigenaar motivatie!)



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## NSAIDS

NSAIDs voor behandeling van chronische pijn bij de hond.

Bij de kat is enkel meloxicam geregistreerd voor langdurige toediening!



Drug	Dosage form	Dose	Licence duration
Carprofen	20, 50, 100 and 120 mg chewable tablets; 20, 50 and 100 mg tablets	4 mg/kg for seven days, then reduce to 2 mg/kg	No upper limit for duration, although regular veterinary supervision is advised
Meloxicam	1.5 mg/ml oral liquid; 1 and 2.5 mg chewable tablets; oral transmucosal spray	0.2 mg/kg loading dose followed 24 hours later with 0.1 mg/kg once a day. Adjust to lowest effective dose	No upper time limit, although regular veterinary assessment is advised
Cimicoxib	8, 30 and 80 mg chewable tablets	2 mg/kg once a day	Six months for osteoarthritis, beyond this, regular monitoring is required
Ketoprofen	5 and 20 mg tablets	0.25 mg/kg once a day	Up to 30 days, then the patient must be re-examined
Robenacoxib	5, 10, 20 and 40 mg flavoured tablets	1 to 2 mg/kg orally once a day initially and then at the lowest effective dose	No upper time limit at the lowest effective dose
Firocoxib	57 and 227 mg chewable tablets	5 mg/kg orally once a day for osteoarthritis	If used for more than 90 days, the patient requires monitoring
Mavacoxib	6, 20, 30, 75 or 95 mg chewable tablets	2 mg/kg orally, repeated after 14 days and then once monthly. This is not a daily NSAID	Do not exceed seven consecutive doses in a treatment cycle
Enflucoxib	15, 30, 45, 70, 100 mg chewable tablets	1st dose: 8 mg/kg orally with food 2nd & further doses: 4 mg/kg orally every 7 days This is not a daily NSAID	

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## BEHANDELING NSAIDS – ENFLICOXIB

Multicenter Study > Vet Rec. 2022 Sep;191(6):e949. doi: 10.1002/vetr.949. Epub 2021 Sep 29.

### Efficacy and safety of enflcoxib for treatment of canine osteoarthritis: A 6-week randomised, controlled, blind, multicentre clinical trial

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#### Abstract

**Background:** Enflcoxib is a new COX-2 selective NSAID intended for the treatment of pain and inflammation associated with canine osteoarthritis.

**Methods:** A prospective, multisite, blinded, randomised, controlled, parallel-group field study was performed to determine the efficacy and safety of enflcoxib in canine osteoarthritis. A total of 242 dogs were randomised to receive enflcoxib at 4 or 2 mg/kg, mavacoxib at 2 mg/kg or placebo, orally. Enflcoxib and placebo were administered once weekly from day 0 to day 35. Mavacoxib was administered on D0 and day 14. Veterinarians assessed efficacy with a numerical rating scale and owners used the Canine Brief Pain Inventory.

**Results:** After 6 weeks, enflcoxib at 4 mg/kg showed the highest percentage of responders as assessed by the veterinarians (68%) and the owners (84%), followed by mavacoxib (62 and 83%, respectively), and enflcoxib at 2 mg/kg (57 and 80%, respectively). All treatments reached statistical significance versus placebo, which obtained success rates of 37% and 53%, respectively. No differences in the incidence of adverse reactions were detected among the different groups.

**Conclusions:** Enflcoxib administered weekly for 6 weeks, at 4 mg/kg PO with an initial loading dose of 8 mg/kg, is efficacious and safe for the treatment of canine osteoarthritis.

Randomized Controlled Trial > PLoS One. 2022 Sep 20;17(9):e0274800. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0274800. eCollection 2022.

### Enflcoxib for canine osteoarthritis: A randomized, blind, multicentre, non-inferiority clinical trial compared to mavacoxib

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**Results:** The overall CSS expressed as area under the curve demonstrated non-inferiority of enflcoxib compared to mavacoxib, and both showed superiority over placebo. At the end of the study, average CSS, and the percentage of CSS responders for enflcoxib (3.64 and 74%) and mavacoxib (4.49 and 68%), was superior to placebo (7.15 and 29%). A faster onset of action was observed for enflcoxib as superiority over placebo was evidenced from the first efficacy assessment (day 7) onwards for both parameters, whereas mavacoxib was only significantly different from day 14 onwards. According to the owner assessment, the percentage of CBPI responders was 90%, 79%, and 43% for dogs treated with enflcoxib, mavacoxib and placebo, respectively, and superiority over placebo was demonstrated for both active treatments. In all secondary parameters, non-inferiority of enflcoxib versus mavacoxib was confirmed. The dog's quality of life improved in all groups, but only enflcoxib showed superiority versus placebo. When assessing severely affected dogs only, results were similar, thus confirming the efficacy of enflcoxib in all stages of canine OA. There were no differences between groups in the frequency of adverse events, which were most frequently mild affecting the gastrointestinal tract and recovered without treatment.

**Conclusions:** Enflcoxib is efficacious and safe for the treatment of pain and inflammation in any stage of canine osteoarthritis with a faster onset of action compared to mavacoxib.

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## NSAIDS NEVENEFFECTEN

- alle NSAIDs (ook piprants) kunnen nevenwerkingen veroorzaken
- bij inefficiëntie of neveneffecten overschakelen naar ander NSAID
  - respecteer een wash-out periode
    - 4-5 eliminatie halftijden = 5-7 dagen
    - langer bij mavacoxib & enflcoxib
  - toediening gastroprotectiva??? risico op bacteriële dysbiose & daarom baten/risio analyse
  - QOL belangrijker dan eventuele aanvaardbare neveneffecten

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## NSAIDS NEVENEFFECTEN

- Incidentie:
  - geen robuuste data beschikbaar over de lange termijn veiligheid van NSAID toediening bij honden.
  - de echte incidentie van neveneffecten is dus onbekend.
  - gebrek aan melding van neveneffecten door de eigenaar
  - sommige neveneffecten worden getolereerd



Hunt, J. R., Dean, R. S., Davis, G. N. D., & Murrell, J. C. (2015). An analysis of the relative frequencies of reported adverse events associated with NSAID administration in dogs and cats in the United Kingdom. *Veterinary Journal*, 206(2), 183–190. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tvjl.2015.07.025>

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## NSAIDS NEVENEFFECTEN

- GI-irritatie braken, (bloederige)diarree, ulceratie
- anorexie
- lethargie
- nierinsufficiëntie (komt zelden voor)
- verlengde bloedingstijden door verminderde bloedplaatjesaggregatie (komt zelden voor)

Lawson, A. (2019). Monitoring side effects of long-term NSAID use in dogs with chronic osteoarthritis. *In Practice*, 41(4), 148–154. <https://doi.org/10.1136/inp.11506>

Hunt, J. R., Dean, R. S., Davis, G. N. D., & Murrell, J. C. (2015). An analysis of the relative frequencies of reported adverse events associated with NSAID administration in dogs and cats in the United Kingdom.



Innes JF, Clayton J, Lascelles BDX. Review of the safety and efficacy of long-term NSAID use in the treatment of canine osteoarthritis. *Vet Record*. (2010) 166:226–30.

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## NSAIDS NEVENEFFECTEN

- leverfalen (komt zelden voor)
  - extensieve hepatische klaring
  - **idiosyncratisch hepatotoxicosis** (onafhankelijk van de dosis) 1/1000 tot 1/10.000
    - beschreven bij carprofen
    - verhoging van leverenzymen & bilirubine
  - **intrinsiek** (dosis afhankelijk)

## NSAIDS SCREENING BIJ LANGE TERMIJN GEBRUIK

- baseline serumbiochemie nier- & leverwaarden bepalen alvorens een langdurige NSAID therapie te starten = **SCREENING**.
- vervolgens:
  - op regelmatige basis hercontroles (iedere 3-6 m)
  - eigenaars motiveren om neveneffecten op te volgen

Mosley C, Edwards T, Romano L, Truchetti G, Dunbar L, Schiller T, Gibson T, Bruce C, Troncy E. Proposed Canadian Consensus Guidelines on Osteoarthritis Treatment Based on OA-COAST Stages 1-4. *Front Vet Sci.* 2022 Apr 26;9:830098.

Chalifoux, N. V., Kaiman, G., Drobatz, K. J., & Thawley, V. J. (2020). Evaluation of renal and hepatic blood value screening before non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug administration in dogs. *Journal of Small Animal Practice*, 1–7. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jsap.13230>

Kukanich, B., Bidgood, T., & Knesl, O. (2012). Clinical pharmacology of nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs in dogs. *Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia*, 39(1), 69–90. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-2995.2011.00675.x>

## NSAIDS SCREENING

- bevindingen studie bij de hond:
  - een leeftijdsgrens van **8 jaar** is een potentiële predictor voor milde afwijkingen in lever- en nierwaarden, die een invloed kunnen hebben op het voorschrijven van NSAIDs
  - vooral afwijkende leverwaarden weerhielden d'artsen ervan om NSAIDs voor te schrijven

Chalifoux, N. V., Kaiman, G., Drobatz, K. J., & Thawley, V. J. (2021). Evaluation of renal and hepatic blood value screening before non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug administration in dogs. *Journal of Small Animal Practice* 62, 12-18.

## !CONTRAINDICATIES VOOR NSAIDS!

- geschiedenis van GI aandoeningen
- NSAID intolerantie (ander type NSAID is wel een optie)
- ongecontroleerde nier- of leveraandoeningen
- anemie
- coagulopathie
- hypovolemie of dehydratie
- hypotensie

## !CONTRAINDICATIES VOOR NSAIDS!

- heel erg belangrijk om dierenartsen/eigenaars in te lichten over:
  - welke neveneffecten te verwachten
  - onmiddellijk stoppen met toediening van een NSAID wanneer neveneffecten zich voordoen
  - screening bij lange termijn toediening van NSAIDS
  - follow-up van de patiënt in chronische pijnconsultaties

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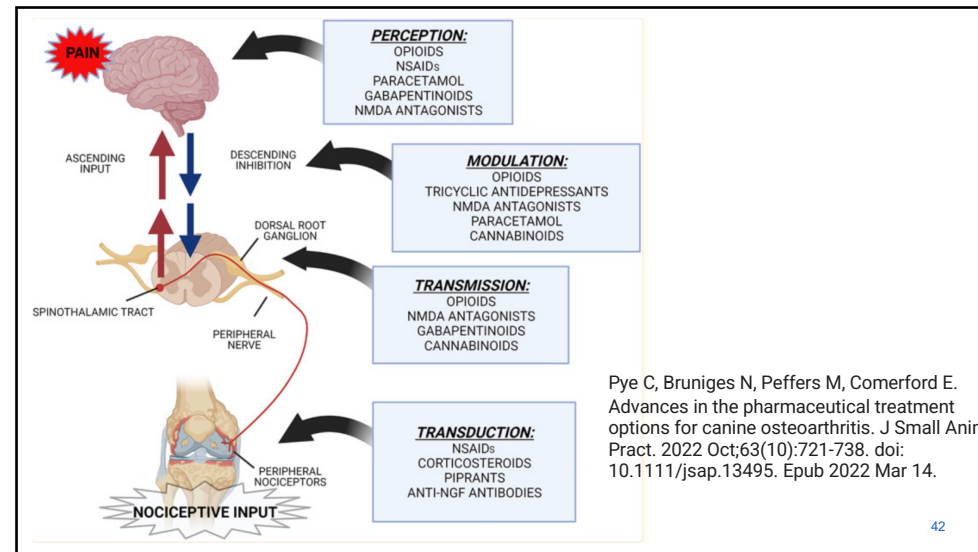
## PARACETAMOL

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## BEHANDELING - PARACETAMOL

- complex niet volledig gekend werkingsmechanisme:
- COX inhibitie perifeer & centraal (COX-3)
- serotonergische pathway – stimuleert descenderende pijnbanen
- endocannabinoid systeem

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Pye C, Bruniges N, Peffers M, Comerford E. Advances in the pharmaceutical treatment options for canine osteoarthritis. J Small Anim Pract. 2022 Oct;63(10):721-738. doi: 10.1111/jsap.13495. Epub 2022 Mar 14.

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## BEHANDELING- PARACETAMOL

- dosering **ALLEEN HOND!!**:
  - 10-25 mg/kg TID, indien langer dan 5 dagen
  - nauwe therapeutische breedte
- off label gebruik voor bijkomende analgesie samen met een NSAID
  - bij kanker pijn
  - 'breakthrough OA pain'
- off label: tolerantieproblemen NSAIDs (Pettit & German, 2015)
- humaan niet aangeraden als single-treatment voor OA, wegens gebrek aan effect
  - 'evidence gap' in DGK, maar gedocumenteerde case efficiëntie
  - geen gecontroleerde studies voor chronische pijn & multimodale aanpak van bijvoorbeeld OA

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## BEHANDELING - PARACETAMOL

- **Clinical evaluation of postoperative analgesia, cardiorespiratory parameters and changes in liver and renal function tests of paracetamol compared to meloxicam and carprofen in dogs undergoing ovariohysterectomy. Hernández-Avalos et al. 2020.**  
PLoS One 2020 Feb 14;15(2):e0223697 doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0223697.

*Paracetamol was as effective as meloxicam and carprofen for post-surgical analgesia in bitches subjected to elective ovariohysterectomy. The present study demonstrates that paracetamol may be considered a tool for the effective treatment of acute perioperative pain in dogs.*

- **Comparing paracetamol/codeine and meloxicam for postoperative analgesia in dogs: a non-inferiority trial. Pacheco et al. 2020.**  
Vet Rec. 2020 Oct 17;187(8):e61. doi: 10.1136/vr.105487. Epub 2020 Jan 3. PMID: 31900324.

*Paracetamol/codeine is a useful perioperative analgesic that within the context of the perioperative analgesia regimen studied (methadone premedication, buprenorphine for the first 24 hours after surgery) shows non-inferiority to the NSAID meloxicam.*

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# BEDINVETMAB LIBRELA

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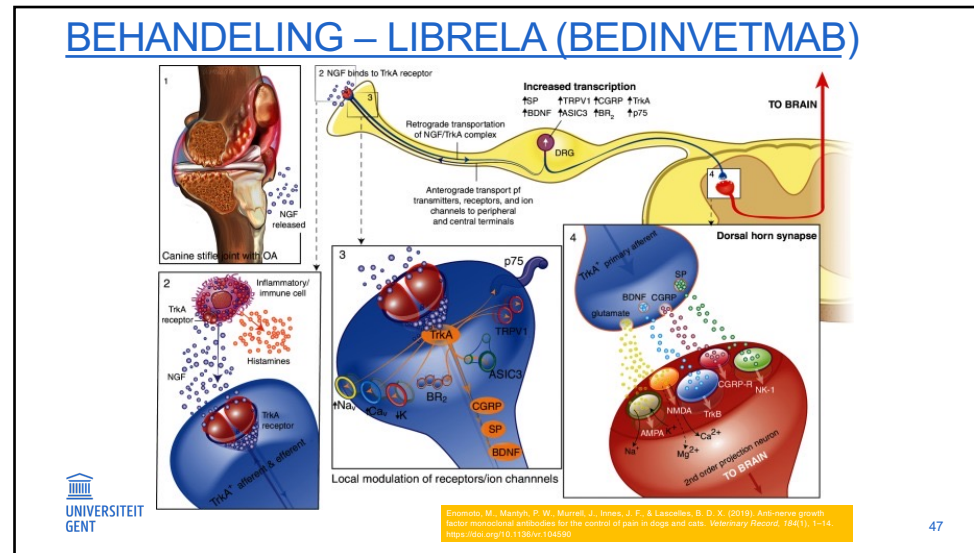
## BEHANDELING – LIBRELA (BEDINVETMAB)

- Librela (bedinvetmab)
  - Canine monoclonale antistof tegen NGF
  - **behandeling van OA pijn bij de hond**
  - NGF activeert de TrkA receptor, belangrijk voor pijn bij OA
    - **perifere sensitisatie**: meer NGF, threshold reductie nociceptoren & ontstekingsmediatoren release
    - **centrale sensitisatie**: verandert dorsale hoorn gene expression & versterkt glutamaat transmissie

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## BEHANDELING – LIBRELA (BEDINIVETMAB)

- Librela (bedinvetmab)
  - 0.5-1 mg/kg SC per maand
  - 3 maanden veldstudie:
    - succes na dosis 1 (CBPI):  
43.5% Lib vs. 16.9% Plac
  - steady state concentratie na 2 doses
  - neveneffect: milde reacties op de injectieplaats

Lichaamsgewicht (kg) van de hond	LIBRELA toe te dienen sterkte (mg)				
	5	10	15	20	30
5,0-10,0	1 flacon				
10,1-20,0		1 flacon			
20,1-30,0			1 flacon		
30,1-40,0				1 flacon	
40,1-60,0					1 flacon
60,1-80,0				2 flacons	
80,1-100,0				1 flacon	1 flacon
100,1-120,0					2 flacons

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## BEHANDELING – LIBRELA (BEDINVETMAB)

- D28, 43.5% Lib vs. 16.9% Plac ( $p = 0.0017$ )
- D56 (50.8%) and 84 (48.2%) vs. < 25% Plac op alle tijdstippen
- bewijs van effectiviteit en veiligheid van bedinvetmab voor een maandelijkse toediening gedurende 9 maanden bij honden met OA

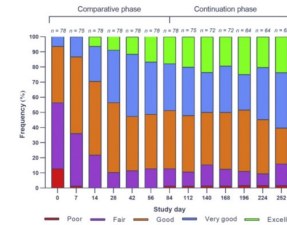


Figure 4 Percentage of dogs with osteoarthritis administered bedinvetmab (bedinvetmab group, n = 89) by subcutaneous monthly injection for 9 months, enrolled in the comparative and continuation phases of the study, and were classified by the owners as having a 'poor', 'fair', 'good', 'very good' or 'excellent' overall impression of quality of life (GoL) on the CBPI assessment. A protocol deviation resulted in exclusion of 11 dogs enrolled in the continuation phase from all efficacy assessments at all time points. Data excluded from the efficacy analysis due to protocol deviations (visits out of the allowed window, different owner completing the assessments) or administration of prohibited treatments explains the cases excluded from the efficacy analysis. Data are presented as percentage of dogs (%) for each GoL category. CBPI, canine brief pain inventory; n, number of dogs.

**ABSTRACT** | VOL. 14, NO. 6, P. 1665-1671 (2021)  
 A prospective, randomized, blinded, placebo-controlled, multi-site clinical study of bedinvetmab, a canine monoclonal antibody targeting nerve growth factor, in dogs with osteoarthritis  
 Mark S. Cohen, DVM, PhD, DACVP, DACVIM, DACVIM (Small Animal), DACVIM (Oncology), DACVIM (Neurology), DACVIM (Cardiology), DACVIM (Internal Medicine), DACVIM (Ophthalmology), DACVIM (Reproductive Medicine), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Oncology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Pathology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Microbiology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Immunology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Pharmacology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Therapeutics), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Toxicology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Ultrasound), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Radiology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Pathology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Microbiology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Immunology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Pharmacology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Therapeutics), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Toxicology), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Ultrasound), DACVIM (Veterinary Clinical Radiology)  
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## BEHANDELING – LIBRELA (BEDINVETMAB)

- Librela (bedinvetmab)
  - combinatie met een NSAID?
    - getest met carprofen in gezonde honden! gedurende enkel 2 weken (Krautmann et al. 2021)
    - bij de mens: snel progressieve OA na combi (Hefti, 2020)
    - bij de hond: lange termijn gecombineerde toediening kan nog niet aangeraden worden, geen studies
  - positief effect op de 3 componenten van de CBPI:
    - ernst van de pijn
    - interferentie pijn met typische activiteiten
    - quality of life
  - focust ook op het verhinderen van 'breakthrough pain'
  - wordt ook ingezet bij de refractaire OA patiënten (COAST stage 4)

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# FRUNEVETMAB SOLENSIA

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## BEHANDELING – SOLENSIA (FRUNEVETMAB)

- Solensia (Frunevetmab)
  - Feline monoclonale antistof tegen NGF
  - behandeling van OA pijn bij de kat



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## BEHANDELING – SOLENSIA (FRUNEVETMAB)

- Solensia (Frunevetmab)
  - 1-2.8 mg/kg SC per maand
  - steady state concentratie na 2 doses

Lichaamsgewicht (kg) van de kat	SOLENSIA (7 mg/ml) toe te dienen volume
2,5 – 7,0	1 flacon
7,1 – 14,0	2 flacons

## BEHANDELING – SOLENSIA (FRUNEVETMAB)

- Solensia (Frunevetmab)
  - 1-2.8 mg/kg SC per maand
  - 3 maanden veldstudie:

Group	N	% success <sup>b</sup>	95% confidence interval	P-value
Day 28				
Frunevetmab	178	66.7	59.64, 73.09	.02*
Placebo	93	52.06	41.84, 62.11	
Day 56				.03*
Frunevetmab	176	75.91	69.06, 81.65	
Placebo	91	64.65	53.99, 74.02	
Day 84				.08
Frunevetmab	167	76.47	69.57, 82.21	
Placebo	89	68.09	57.60, 77.01	

TABLE 2 Summary of treatment success<sup>a</sup> for CSOM at days 28, 56, and 84

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- significant meer dermatologische neveneffecten in de frunevetmab groep (alopecia, pruritis, eczema, dermatitis,...)

# TRAMADOL

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## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

### • Tramadol

- synthetisch codeïne analoog
- 1/10<sup>de</sup> potentie van morfine
- zwakke  $\mu$ -receptor agonist (40%)
  - (+)-enantiomeer van tramadol en M1 metaboliet
- inhibitie van norepinephrine reuptake (20%)
  - (-)-enantiomeer van tramadol
- inhibitie van serotonine reuptake (20%)
  - (+)-enantiomeer van tramadol
- stimuleert descenderende inhibitorische pijn pathways



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## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

- Tramadol
  - opioïd analgetisch effect is afhankelijk van de vorming van de M1-metabooliet
  - CYP450 enzyme is verantwoordelijk hiervoor
  - interspecies, intraspecies & interindividuele variatie in analgetische potentie wordt veroorzaakt door verschillen in metabolisatie
  - mens: CYP2D6: 'poor metabolizers' resulteert in minder goede analgesie

## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

- Tramadol
  - M1 synthese bij de hond is lager dan de concentraties die geassocieerd worden met analgesie bij de mens
  - M1 synthese bij de kat is vergelijkbaar met concentraties die geassocieerd worden met analgesie bij de mens
  - orale toediening van tramadol bij de hond voor een periode langer dan 1 week kan resulteren in een reductie van de plasma concentratie te wijten aan een ongekend mechanisme

## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

- Tramadol

- dosis hond: 2-5 mg/kg bid tot qid, variabele efficiëntie!
- dosis kat: 2-4 mg/kg bid (mindere metabolisatie, lagere klaring) (off-label)

[Am J Vet Res. 2009 Dec;70\(12\):1465-70. doi: 10.2460/ajvr.70.12.1465.](#)

**Effects of tramadol hydrochloride on the thermal threshold in cats.**

[Pypendop BH<sup>1</sup>, Siao KT, Ilkiw JE.](#)

- aandacht: **serotonine syndroom!** wanneer samen gebruikt wordt met SSRI's, MAOI's, tricyclische antidepressiva!

## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

- Tramadol

- neveneffecten (vooral bij de kat):
  - sedatie
  - dysphorie
  - braken/diarree bij de hond
- niet combineren met MAO-inhibitoren/SSRI's

- Tapentadol

- toekomst: efficiëntie is onafhankelijk van metabolieten
- nog geen aanbevolen dosering beschikbaar

## BEHANDELING – TRAMADOL

*J Am Vet Med Assoc.* 2018 Feb 15;252(4):427-432. doi: 10.2460/javma.252.4.427.

### Lack of effectiveness of tramadol hydrochloride for the treatment of pain and joint dysfunction in dogs with chronic osteoarthritis.

Budsberg SC, Torres BT, Kleine SA, Sandberg GS, Berjeski AK.

#### Abstract

**OBJECTIVE:** To investigate the effectiveness of tramadol for treatment of osteoarthritis in dogs. **DESIGN:** Randomized, blinded, placebo-controlled crossover study. **ANIMALS:** 40 dogs with clinical osteoarthritis of the elbow or stifle joint. **PROCEDURES:** Dogs orally received 3 times/d (morning, midday, and night) for a 10-day period each of 3 identically appearing treatments (placebo; carprofen at 2.2 mg/kg [1 mg/lb], q 12 h [morning and night], with placebo at midday; or tramadol hydrochloride at 5 mg/kg [2.3 mg/lb], q 8 h) in random order, with treatment sessions separated by a minimum 7-day washout period. Vertical ground reaction forces (vertical impulse [VI] and peak vertical force [PVF]) were measured and Canine Brief Pain Inventory (CBPI) scores assigned prior to (baseline) and at the end of each treatment period. Repeated-measures ANOVA was performed to compare VI and PVF data among and within treatments, and the  $\chi^2$  test was used to compare proportions of dogs with a CBPI-defined positive response to treatment. **RESULTS:** 35 dogs completed the study. No significant changes from baseline in VI and PVF were identified for placebo and tramadol treatments; however, these values increased significantly with carprofen treatment. Changes from baseline in VI and PVF values were significantly greater with carprofen versus placebo or tramadol treatment. A significant improvement from baseline in CBPI scores was identified with carprofen treatment but not placebo or tramadol treatment. **CONCLUSIONS AND CLINICAL RELEVANCE:** 10 days of treatment with tramadol as administered (5 mg/kg, PO, q 8 h) provided no clinical benefit for dogs with osteoarthritis of the elbow or stifle joint.



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## BEHANDELING - TRAMADOL

*Vet Anaesth Analg.* 2017 Mar;44(2):309-316. doi: 10.1016/j.vaa.2016.02.003. Epub 2017 Jan 7.

### Influence of tramadol on acute thermal and mechanical cutaneous nociception in dogs.

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#### Author information

#### Abstract

**OBJECTIVE:** The aim of the study was to evaluate the influence of tramadol on acute nociception in dogs.

**STUDY DESIGN:** Experimental, blinded, randomized, crossover study.

**ANIMALS:** Six healthy laboratory Beagle dogs.

**METHODS:** Dogs received three treatments intravenously (IV): isotonic saline placebo (P), tramadol 1 mg kg<sup>-1</sup> (T1) and tramadol 4 mg kg<sup>-1</sup> (T4). Thermal thresholds were determined by ramped contact heat stimulation (0.6 °C second<sup>-1</sup>) at the lateral thoracic wall. Mechanical thresholds (MT) were measured using a probe containing three blunted pins which were constantly advanced over the radial bone, using a rate of force increase of 0.8 N second<sup>-1</sup>. Stimulation end points were defined responses (e.g. skin twitch, head turn, repositioning, vocalization) or pre-set cut-out values (55 °C, 20 N). Thresholds were determined before treatment and at predetermined time points up to 24 hours after treatment. At each measurement point, blood was collected for determination of O-desmethytramadol concentrations. The degree of sedation and behavioural side effects were recorded. Data were analysed by one-way anova and two-way anova for repeated measurements.

**RESULTS:** Thermal nociception was not influenced by drug treatment. Mechanical nociception was significantly increased between P and T1 at 120 and 240 minutes, and between P and T4 at 30, 60, 240 and 420 minutes. T1 and T4 did not differ. O-desmethytramadol (M1) maximum plasma concentrations (C<sub>max</sub>) were 4.2±0.8 ng mL<sup>-1</sup> and 14.3±2.8 ng mL<sup>-1</sup> for T1 and T4, respectively. Times to reach maximum plasma concentrations (T<sub>max</sub>) were 27.6±6.3 minutes for T1 and 32.1±7.8 minutes for T4. No sedation occurred. There were signs of nausea and mild to moderate salivation in both groups.

**CONCLUSION AND CLINICAL RELEVANCE:** Tramadol was metabolized marginally to O-desmethytramadol and failed to produce clinically relevant acute antinociception. Therefore, the use of tramadol for acute nociceptive pain is questionable in dogs.



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## BEHANDELING - TRAMADOL

*Am J Vet Res.* 2015 Sep;76(9):763-70. doi: 10.2460/ajvr.76.9.763

### Pharmacokinetics of hydrocodone and tramadol administered for control of postoperative pain in dogs following tibial plateau leveling osteotomy.

Benitez ME, Roush JK, KuKanich B, McMurphy R

#### Abstract

**OBJECTIVE:** To evaluate the pharmacokinetics of hydrocodone (delivered in combination with acetaminophen) and tramadol in dogs undergoing tibial plateau leveling osteotomy (TPLO).

**ANIMALS:** 50 client-owned dogs.

**PROCEDURES:** Dogs were randomly assigned to receive tramadol hydrochloride (5 to 7 mg/kg, PO, q 8 h; tramadol group) or hydrocodone bitartrate-acetaminophen (0.5 to 0.6 mg of hydrocodone/kg, PO, q 8 h; hydrocodone group) following TPLO with standard anesthetic and surgical protocols. Blood samples were collected for pharmacokinetic analysis of study drugs and their metabolites over an 8-hour period beginning after the second dose of the study medication.

**RESULTS:** The terminal half-life, maximum serum concentration, and time to maximum serum concentration for tramadol following naive pooled modeling were 1.56 hours, 155.6 ng/mL, and 3.90 hours, respectively. Serum concentrations of the tramadol metabolite O-desmethyltramadol (M1) were low. For hydrocodone, maximum serum concentration determined by naive pooled modeling was 7.90 ng/mL, and time to maximum serum concentration was 3.47 hours. The terminal half-life for hydrocodone was 15.85 hours, but was likely influenced by delayed drug absorption in some dogs and may not have been a robust estimate. Serum concentrations of hydromorphone were low.

**CONCLUSIONS AND CLINICAL RELEVANCE:** The pharmacokinetics of tramadol and metabolites were similar to those in previous studies. Serum tramadol concentrations varied widely, and concentrations of the active M1 metabolite were low. Metabolism of hydrocodone to hydromorphone in dogs was poor. Further study is warranted to assess variables that affect metabolism and efficacy of these drugs in dogs.



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## BEHANDELING - TRAMADOL

### Efficacy of tramadol for postoperative pain management in dogs: systematic review and meta-analysis. Donati et al. 2021.

VAA; February 09, 2021 DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaa.2021.01.003>

Overall 26 RCTs involving 848 dogs were included. Tramadol administration probably results in a lower need for rescue analgesia versus no treatment or placebo [moderate CoE; relative risk (RR): 0.47; 95% confidence interval (CI): 0.26–0.85;  $I^2 = 0\%$ ], and may result in a lower need for rescue analgesia versus buprenorphine (low CoE; RR: 0.50; 95% CI: 0.20–1.24), codeine (low CoE; RR: 0.75; 95% CI: 0.16–3.41) and nalbuphine (low CoE; RR: 0.05; 95% CI: 0.00–0.72). However, tramadol administration may result in an increased requirement for rescue analgesia versus methadone (low CoE; RR: 3.45; 95% CI: 0.66–18.08;  $I^2 = 43\%$ ) and COX inhibitors (low CoE; RR: 2.27; 95% CI: 0.68–7.60;  $I^2 = 45\%$ ). Compared with multimodal therapy, tramadol administration may make minimal to no difference in the requirement for rescue analgesia (low CoE; RR: 1.12; 95% CI: 0.48–2.60;  $I^2 = 0\%$ ). Adverse events were inconsistently reported and the CoE was very low. The overall CoE of the analgesic efficacy of tramadol for postoperative pain management in dogs was low or very low, and the main reasons for downgrading the evidence were risk of bias and imprecision.

CoE=Certainty of Evidence



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## BEHANDELING - TRAMADOL

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- meta-analyse: 26 randomized controlled trials, **848 honden**.
- De **overall coefficient of evidence** voor postoperatieve analgesie was **laag tot zeer laag**:
  - waarschijnlijk minder nood aan rescue analgesia tov geen behandeling
  - misschien minder nood aan rescue analgesie dan buprenorphine
  - misschien inferieur aan methadone en NSAIDs

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## BEHANDELING - TRAMADOL

- plaats voor tramadol in pijnbehandeling
  - korte termijn post-operatieve acute pijnbehandeling
    - ter vervanging van opiaten ('at home' treatment)
  - multimodale & 'breakthrough pain' behandeling
    - osteoarthritis in combinatie met andere analgetica
  - Monteiro et al. 2019: + verminderde dosis ketoprofen voor 28d
  - Miles et al. 2020: + NSAID voor 28d
  - effect is **patiëntafhankelijk**



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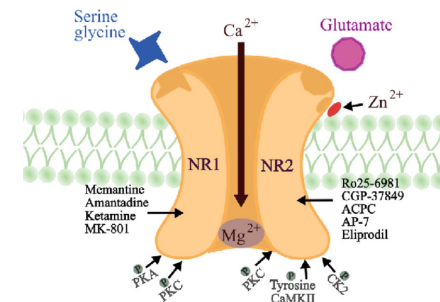
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# NMDA - ANTAGONISTEN

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## BEHANDELING - NMDA-ANTAGONISTEN

- werkingmechanisme:
  - dopamine agonist & glutamaat antagonist
- effect:
  - NMDA-receptor blokkade op het niveau van de dorsale hoorn (ruggemerg)
  - verhindert activatie v NMDA receptor na sterke of langdurige C-vezels input (= > glutamaat vrijstelling)
  - versnelt NMDA receptor sluiting na activatie van de receptor



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## BEHANDELING – NMDA-ANTAGONISTEN

- **Amantadine** (Amantan®)
  - anti-viraal geneesmiddel/behandeling van Parkinson
  - orale NMDA-receptor antagonist
- dosisreductie van & synergistisch effect met opioïden
- combinaties met NSAID/paracetamol (**hond**)/ gabapentine
- effect pas na 3 weken
- dosis hond: 3-5 mg/kg SID tot BID
- dosis kat: 1-4 mg/kg SID
- neveneffecten:
  - diarree (stop toediening & herintroduceer later)
- **EMA aanbeveling om amantadine te beperken tot humaan gebruik**



Norkus C, Rankin D, Warner M, KuKanich B. Pharmacokinetics of oral amantadine in greyhound dogs. *J Vet Pharmacol Ther.* (2015) 38:305–8. doi: 10.1111/jvp.12190

Lascelles, B. D. X., Gaynor, J. S., Smith, E. S., et al. (2008). Amantadine in a Multimodal Analgesic Regimen for Alleviation of Refractory Osteoarthritis Pain in Dogs. *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*, 22(1), 53–59.

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## BEHANDELING – NMDA ANTAGONISTEN

[J Vet Intern Med.](#) 2008 Jan-Feb;22(1):53-9. doi: 10.1111/j.1939-1676.2007.0014.x.

### Amantadine in a multimodal analgesic regimen for alleviation of refractory osteoarthritis pain in dogs.

Lascelles BD<sup>1</sup>, Gaynor JS, Smith ES, Roe SC, Marcellin-Little DJ, Davidson G, Boland E, Carr J.

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#### Abstract

**BACKGROUND:** Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) do not always provide sufficient pain relief in dogs with osteoarthritis (OA).

**HYPOTHESIS:** The use of amantadine in addition to NSAID therapy will provide improved pain relief when compared with the use of nonsteroidal analgesics alone in naturally occurring OA in dogs.

**ANIMALS:** Thirty-one client-owned dogs with pelvic limb lameness despite the administration of an NSAID.

**METHODS:** The study was randomized, blinded, and placebo controlled with parallel groups (days 21–42). On day 0, analgesic medications were discontinued. On day 7, all dogs received meloxicam for 5 weeks. On day 21, all dogs received amantadine (3–5 mg/kg once daily per os) or placebo for 21 days, in addition to receiving meloxicam. Assessments were performed before the study and on days 7, 21, and 42. Primary outcome measures were blinded owner assessments of activity using client-specific outcome measures (CSOM) on days 0, 7, 21, and 42. Data were analyzed by a mixed model approach.

**RESULTS:** For CSOM activity, there was a significant time by treatment effect ( $P=0.09$ ). On the basis of the planned post hoc t-tests of postrandomization means, there was a significant difference between treatment groups on day 42 ( $P=0.030$ ), with the amantadine group being more active.

**CONCLUSIONS AND CLINICAL IMPORTANCE:** In dogs with osteoarthritic pain refractory to an NSAID, physical activity is improved by the addition of amantadine. Amantadine might be a useful adjunct therapy for the clinical management of canine osteoarthritic pain.



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## BEHANDELING – NMDA ANTAGONISTEN

Original Article



### Owner evaluation of quality of life and mobility in osteoarthritic cats treated with amantadine or placebo

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#### Abstract

**Objectives** The aim of the study was to determine if amantadine improves owner-identified mobility impairment and quality of life associated with osteoarthritis in cats.

**Methods** Using a blinded, placebo-controlled, randomized, crossover design, 13 healthy client-owned cats with clinical and radiographic evidence of osteoarthritis and owner-identified mobility impairment were studied. Cats received 5mg/kg amantadine or placebo q24h PO for 3 weeks each with no washout period in between. Locomotor activity was continuously assessed with a collar-mounted activity monitor system, and owners chose and rated two mobility-impaired activities using a client-specific outcome measures (CSOM) questionnaire on a weekly basis. Locomotor activity on the third treatment week was analyzed with two-tailed paired *T*-tests. The CSOM scores were analyzed using a mixed-effect model and the Bonferroni *post-hoc* test. Owner-perceived changes in quality of life were compared between treatments using the  $\chi^2$  test. Statistical significance was set at  $P < 0.05$ .

**Results** Mean  $\pm$  SD activity counts during the third week of each treatment were significantly lower with amantadine (240,537  $\pm$  53,880) compared with placebo (326,032  $\pm$  91,759). CSOM scores assigned by the owners were significantly better with amantadine on the second ( $3 \pm 1$ ) and third ( $5 \pm 1$ ) weeks compared with placebo ( $5 \pm 2$  and  $5 \pm 1$ , respectively). A significantly greater proportion of owners reported improvement in quality of life with amantadine compared with placebo.

**Conclusions and relevance** Amantadine significantly decreased activity, but improved owner-identified impaired mobility and owner-perceived quality of life in cats with osteoarthritis. Amantadine appears to be an option for the symptomatic treatment of osteoarthritis in cats.



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## BEHANDELING - MEMANTINE

- Memantine
  - orale NMDA-receptor antagonist
  - dosis hond: 0.3-0.5 mg/kg SID, verhogen tot max 1 mg/kg BID
  - dosis afgeleid uit behandeling van honden met OCD
  - anecdotisch gebruik
  - orale oplossing, 10 & 20 mg tabletten
  - combinatie met NSAID/paracetamol (hond)/gabapentine



Schneider BM, Dodman NH, Maranda L. (2009) Use of memantine in treatment of canine compulsive disorders. *J Vet Behav Clin Appl Res* 4(3):118–26.

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# GABAPENTINOIDS: GABAPENTINE & PREGABALINE

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## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

### • Gabapentine

- anti-epileptisch geneesmiddel, GABA-analoog
- anticonvulsief, anxiolytisch
- analgetisch effect (?)
- blokkeert presynaptische Ca-kanalen in de dorsale hoorn
  - reduceert presynaptische glutamaat (excitatoire neurotransmitter) vrijstelling
  - vermindert postsynaptische excitatie van glutamaat receptoren
- **blokkeert centrale sensitizatie**
- **activeert descenderend pijnsysteem**



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## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

### • Gabapentine

- overall body of evidence is laag, niet solo gebruiken
- combinatie met NSAID (bij centrale sensitizatie & neurogene pijn)
  - ontstekingsremmende & neurogene component
- dosis = geëxtrapoleerd van de mens (Kukanich & Cohen 2011)
- gesuggereerde start dosis:
  - Ca: 10-20 mg/kg tid
  - Fe: 5-10 mg/kg tid

Randomized Controlled Trial > Vet Rec. 2015 Sep 19;177(11):288.  
doi: 10.1136/vr.103234. Epub 2015 Aug 12.

Comparison of gabapentin versus topiramate on clinically affected dogs with Chiari-like malformation and syringomyelia

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## BEHANDELING -GABAPENTINOIDS

### • Gabapentine

- titreer op effect (dosis range: 2.5-50 mg/kg)
- lange termijn behandeling kan noodzakelijk zijn (weken tot maanden)
- sedatie & ataxie zijn dosis afhankelijk
- normale nierfunctie is noodzakelijk (klaring)
  - dosis halveren bij verminderde nierfunctie

## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

> PLoS One. 2020 Nov 30;15(11):e0237121. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0237121. eCollection 2020.

### Pain burden, sensory profile and inflammatory cytokines of dogs with naturally-occurring neuropathic pain treated with gabapentin alone or with meloxicam

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with baseline, but not placebo. The CBPI scores were not significantly different between placebo and baseline. The concentration of cytokines was not different between groups or treatments. Dogs with NeuP have deficient inhibitory pain mechanisms. Pain burden was reduced after gabapentin and/or gabapentin-meloxicam when compared with baseline using CBPI and CMPS-SF scores. However, these scores were not superior than placebo, nor placebo was superior to baseline evaluations. A caregiver placebo effect may have biased the results.

## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

### • Pregabaline

- overall body of evidence is laag
  - combinatie met NSAIDs
  - efficiënter bij de mens
- hogere orale beschikbaarheid dan gabapentine & langere halfwaardetijd
- dosis:
  - Ca: 3-5 mg/kg BID
  - Fe: 4 mg/kg??? SID of BID???

Ohtori S, Inoue G, Orita S, Takaso M, Eguchi Y, Ochiai N, et al. Efficacy of combination of meloxicam and pregabalin for pain in knee osteoarthritis. *Yonsei Med J.* (2013) 54:1253–8.

Salazar V, Dewey CW, Schwark W, Badgley BL, Gleed RD, Horne W, et al. Pharmacokinetics of single-dose oral pregabalin administration in normal dogs. *Vet Anaesth Analg.* (2009) 36:574–80.

> *Front Vet Sci.* 2018 Jul 20;5:136. doi: 10.3389/fvets.2018.00136. eCollection 2018.

Pharmacokinetics of Single-Dose Oral Pregabalin Administration in Normal Cats

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> *J Vet Pharmacol Ther.* 2022 Jun 4;45(4):385–391. doi: 10.1111/jvp.13061. Epub 2022 Apr 25.

Pharmacokinetics of single and repeated oral doses of pregabalin oral solution formulation in cats

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## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

> [Vet J.](#) 2019 Aug;250:55-62. doi: 10.1016/j.tvjl.2019.06.006. Epub 2019 Jul 5.

### **Pregabalin for the treatment of syringomyelia-associated neuropathic pain in dogs: A randomised, placebo-controlled, double-masked clinical trial**

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P=0.004). There was no pregabalin accumulation between first and last dose. This study demonstrates the efficacy of pregabalin for the treatment of NeP due to CM/SM on daily pain scores recorded by dog owners. Pregabalin significantly reduced mechanical hyperalgesia, cold hyperalgesia (0°C) and allodynia (15°C) compared to placebo. Pregabalin was non-cumulative and well tolerated with occasional mild sedation.



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## BEHANDELING - GABAPENTINOIDS

> [Vet Anaesth Analg.](#) 2020 Mar;47(2):238-248. doi: 10.1016/j.vaa.2019.09.007.  
Epub 2019 Nov 18.

### **Pregabalin alleviates clinical signs of syringomyelia-related central neuropathic pain in Cavalier King Charles Spaniel dogs: a randomized controlled trial**

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**Conclusions and clinical relevance:** PGN is superior to placebo in the reduction of clinical signs of SM-related CNeP in dogs. At a dose range of 13-19 mg kg<sup>-1</sup> orally twice daily, the encountered adverse events were acceptable to all but one owner.



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# TRICYCLISCHE ANTIDEPRESSIVA



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## BEHANDELING – TRICYCLISCHE ANTIDEPRESSIVA

Tricyclische antidepressiva gebruikt voor de behandeling van neuropathische pijn bij hond en kat.

Drug	Dog	Cat	Comments
Amitriptyline	1 to 2 mg/kg orally every 12 hours	0.5 to 1 mg/kg orally every 24 hours	
Imipramine	0.5 mg/kg orally every 12 to 24 hours	0.5 to 1 mg/kg orally every 12 to 24 hours	
Clomipramine	None	None	Not generally considered useful in pain management. The serotonin effect is greater than the adrenergic effect

Een dosis van 4 mg/kg amitriptyline werd beschreven niet te resulteren in voldoende amitriptyline & nortriptyline spiegels, waardoor het interessant is om bij onvoldoende effect de dosis te herevalueren (ECVAA Dipl. Matt Guerney, Zero Pain Philosophy). Norkus C, Rankin D, KuKanich B.  
Pharmacokinetics of intravenous and oral amitriptyline and its active metabolite nortriptyline in Greyhound dogs. Vet Anaesth Analg. 2015 Nov;42(6):580-9.



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## BEHANDELING – TRICYCLISCHE ANTIDEPRESSIVA

- werkingsmechanisme:
  - inhibitie van de re-uptake van noradrenaline/serotonine & versterken van het descenderende pijnsysteem
  - verhogen de endogene opioid spiegels, wat kan leiden tot veranderingen in opioid receptor densiteit
  - antagonisme van voltage-gated Na-kanalen
  - antagonisme NMDA-receptor
  - combinatie met andere analgetica
  - effect na 2 dagen, staat los van het anti-depressief effect

## BEHANDELING – TRICYCLISCHE ANTIDEPRESSIVA

- neveneffecten:
  - tachycardie
  - gewichtstoename
  - sedatie
  - serotonine syndroom

## BEHANDELING – TRICYCLISCHE ANTIDEPRESSIVA

*Aust Vet J.* 2009 Jan-Feb;87(1):45-50. doi: 10.1111/j.1751-0813.2008.00379.x.

### Clinical diagnosis and treatment of suspected neuropathic pain in three dogs.

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#### Abstract

Three dogs were referred to The Queen's Veterinary School Hospital at University of Cambridge for chronic behavioural or locomotor disorders associated with pain. All three had been unsuccessfully treated with conventional analgesics, including non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, glucocorticoids and opiate agonists, prior to referral, with minimal or no response. They were investigated by neurological examination plus conventional ancillary diagnostic tests and therapeutic drug trials. Ruling out other causes of pain and applying previously well-described criteria, each case was diagnosed as consistent with neuropathic pain, a poorly recognised condition in domestic dogs. Treatment with the tricyclic antidepressant drug, amitriptyline, or the antiepileptic drug, gabapentin, resulted in either a dramatic improvement or full resolution of clinical signs in all cases.

*Aust Vet J.* 2006 Mar;84(3):83-6.

### Neuropathic pain in a cat post-amputation.

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#### Abstract

Phantom limb pain is a form of neuropathic pain experienced by human patients who have had amputations. To date there are no reported cases of phantom limb pain in the veterinary literature. A cat presented with signs consistent with neuropathic or phantom limb pain 42 days after iatrogenic sciatic nerve injury and 38 days after subsequent hind limb amputation. Multimodal analgesic therapy resulted in resolution of signs of pain.

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# CANNABINOÏDEN

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## BEHANDELING - CANNABINOÏDEN

- Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) max. 0.2%
  - psychotroop effect (hersenen)
  - CB1-receptor (centraal zenuwstelsel)
- Cannabidiol (CBD)
  - therapeutische effecten:
    - endogeen cannabinoïd systeem (ECS)
      - CB1 & CB2-receptor (perifeer zenuwstelsel & synovia)
      - enzymen (productie, transport & afbraak van endocannabinoïden)
    - ascenderende (opioid, TRPV,...) & descenderende (serotonine,...) pijnsystemen
  - PAINS
    - Pain (anti-hyperalgesie; neurogene pijn)
    - Anti-inflammatoir
    - Immunologisch
    - Nociceptief (anti-nociceptie)
    - Seizures

## BEHANDELING - CANNABINOÏDEN

- Cannabidiol CBD
  - niet geregistreerd als geneesmiddel
  - supplement & vrij verkrijgbaar:
  - geen exacte controle over samenstelling & verhouding CBD's
  - gebruik best een product met meerdere cannabinoïden (>60 # cannabinoïden)
  - titreren (laag beginnen tot effect)



## BEHANDELING - CANNABINOÏDEN

- Veilig?
  - geen lange termijn veiligheidsstudies
  - stijging ALP:
    - inductie CYP450 oxydatief metabolisme
  - geneesmiddelinteracties: CYP450 metabolisme
  - invloed op # orgaansystemen: opletten bij cardiologische aandoeningen
  - lange termijnbehandeling: regelmatige controles nodig, zeker leverfunctie

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**Pharmacokinetics, Safety, and Clinical Efficacy of Cannabidiol Treatment in Osteoarthritic Dogs**

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**Scientific Report**

The Use of Cannabidiol-Rich Hemp Oil Extract to Treat Canine Osteoarthritis-Related Pain: A Pilot Study

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**A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study of daily cannabidiol for the treatment of canine osteoarthritis pain**

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