

Diarrhoea in dogs - Case Reports

The most common cause of digestive disorders is faulty feeding and stress. Abrupt change of food or non-appropriate feeding practices (too much food, excess of carbohydrate intake, spoiled or contaminated food, or extremely cold or fat food) often lead to intestinal troubles in dogs. In some cases also chemical substances, for instance insecticides, may be the cause of digestive disorders. And last but not least such disturbances may also be brought on by stress. Even our animals may suffer from stress-related complaints and develop diarrhoea and in rare cases also constipation.

In most cases a fasting day and subsequent bland diet (e.g. rice and chicken meat) will help cure such disturbances. Sufficient intake of liquid is important and in some cases the intake of electrolyte solutions will be recommendable. The additional administration of food supplements such as Eucarvet has proven effective to support and stabilize digestion. Food supplements help restore and regulate normal digestive functions within a short time. If intestinal troubles are not stabilized within a few days veterinary advice should be sought without delay.

The following dosage is recommended:

1 tablet of EUCARVET per 10 kgs of body weight should be administered to the animals in two divided doses, a morning and an evening dose. For continuous regulation of the digestion it is essential to give half of the recommended dose in the morning and the other half in the evening. For small dogs (e.g. a 10 kg dog) the tablet is to be cut with a knife or tablet blade. Dogs of larger size are given tablets as a whole or crushed and mixed with food. For animals refusing to take the tablets voluntarily, tablets may be crushed (between two spoons or by means of a tablet mortar), mixed with lukewarm water and injected into the mouth with a syringe.

In cases of diarrhoea it is important to offer sufficient liquid to the animals and in particular this applies to the administration of Eucarvet.

Hereunder you will find some case studies of the treatment with Eucarvet of animals suffering from diarrhoea:

General remarks.

All reports refer to cases of acute diarrhoea in dogs. According to applicants' judgement and diagnosis the diarrhoea was not associated with the outbreak of an infectious intestinal disease. The reasons for the complaints were either faulty feeding or uncontrolled intake of spoiled food and other „foreign matter“ or cases of nervous diarrhoea (caused by stressful events like changes in the environment or change of climate).

CASE REPORTS FROM DOG BREEDERS

Dog breeder	Dog breed / Weight	Health condition prior to treatment	Dosage	Effect
Dkfm. Hans-Hartmut Berchtold	Retriever / 35 kgs	Diarrhoea, flatulences	2 x 2 tablets crushed and mixed with small portions of food.	Following administration of Eucarvet bowel regeneration was observed one day earlier than usual. Usual treatment time with food withdrawal on the first day and subsequent dietary days is 4 – 5 days.
Christian Studeny	Hovawart #1/ abt. 32 kgs	Diarrhoea with mushy faeces containing undigested pieces of food. Presumably caused by intake of grass or noxious plants.	Food withdrawal on first day. 2 nd to 5 th day: 2 x 2 tablets wrapped up in lean ham. In addition small portions of rice with chicken meat.	Following administration of Eucarvet bowel regeneration was observed to occur 1.2 days earlier as compared with dietary treatment alone.
Christian Studeny	Hovawart #2 / abt. 32 kgs	Diarrhoea with mushy faeces containing undigested pieces of food. Presumably caused by intake of grass or noxious plants.	Food withdrawal on first day. 2 nd to 5 th day: 2 x 2 tablets wrapped up in lean ham. In addition small portions of rice with chicken meat.	Following administration of Eucarvet bowel regeneration was observed to occur 1.2 days earlier as compared with dietary treatment alone.

CASE REPORTS FROM VETERINARIES

Veterinary	Dog breed / Weight	Health condition prior to treatment	Dosage	Effect
Regina Bregenzer (also breeder of bull terriers)	Hovawarth whelp #1 / 5 kgs	Diarrhoea, stools of changing consistency. No worm infestation. Presumably caused by change of food.	2 x 2 tablets crushed and mixed with bland food.	Alleviation of medical condition on the 2 nd day.
Regina Bregenzer (also breeder of bull terriers)	Hovawarth whelp #2/ abt. 32 kgs	Diarrhoea, stools of changing consistency. No worm infestation. Presumably caused by change of food.	2 x 1 tablet, crushed and mixed with bland food.	No improvement of condition despite increased dosage – therefore conventional treatment.
Elisabeth Korinek (owner of 7 dogs of different breeds)	Golden Retriever / 30 kgs	Unspecific diarrhoea and flatulences. Reason unknown.	1 st day: food withdrawal – followed by bland diet. 2 x 2 tablets crushed and mixed with some small portions of food. Duration of treatment: 5 days	On 2 nd day no improvement despite bland diet. From 3 rd day on alleviation of flatulence and solidification of stools. From 5 th day on normal stools.
Elisabeth Korinek (owner of 7 dogs)	cross-breed / 18 kgs	Unspecific diarrhoea, mucous faces, flatulences, presumably caused by unobserved intake of noxious substances.	1 st day: food withdrawal followed by bland diet. 2 x 2 tablets crushed and mixed into small portions of food. Duration of treatment: 4 days	From 2 nd day on progressive solidification of stool. From 4 th day on: no complaints.