

Aluminum Hydroxide

What is aluminum hydroxide used to treat?

Aluminum Hydroxide is a generic drug for Amphojel®. It is an antacid and phosphate binder that is used in dogs and cats to temporarily relieve heartburn, acid indigestion, and sour stomach. It can be also used to lower the levels of phosphate in the blood due to abnormal kidney function. According to studies, there is no cure for renal failure, but can be used to prolong the quality of your pet's life.

What are the side effects of aluminum hydroxide on cats or dogs?

The most common side effect is constipation. If too much aluminum hydroxide is given, a low blood phosphate level can occur which include muscle weakness, fatigue, bone pain and fractures, appetite loss, irritability, and numbness.

Long term use may cause signs such as weakness and walking difficulty.

If you suspect any side effects, overdose, or an adverse reaction to aluminum hydroxide, call your vet's office immediately or [A.S.P.C.A.'s Animal Poison Control Center](#) at 888.426.4435.

A change in dose or medication may be warranted based on the determination of the veterinarian.

How do I know if I need aluminum hydroxide to treat my cat or dog? Age often plays a factor in renal problems for cats and dogs. Due to aging, diet, genes, and other factors, kidney failure can occur. Some signs of renal failure or renal complications in your pet include significant weight loss, vomiting, pale gums, lethargy, drunken behavior, or uncoordinated movement, ulcers in the mouth, breath that smells like chemicals, and blood in the urine.

Where can I get aluminum hydroxide to treat my cat or dog?

Aluminum Hydroxide can be obtained at a veterinary clinic or compounding pharmacy. You will need a valid prescription from your veterinarian if you plan to fill the medication at the pharmacy. Professional Arts Pharmacy has the medication in stock, and we offer local pickup in Ellicott City, Maryland. If you reside in other states, your medication can be shipped and delivered within 1-2 days from the day of ordering. If you have questions about ordering this medication, please give us a call at 443-200-1200 or visit our website at www.WeMakeMeds.com.

Disclaimer: Not intended to be a replacement for professional veterinarian advice, diagnosis, or treatment. Always seek the advice of your veterinarian with any questions you may have regarding the medical condition of your pet. If you believe your pet has a medical emergency, call, or visit your vet office or your local veterinary emergency hospital immediately.