

Viacutan® Plus



**For healthy skin and coat
High gamma linolenic acid (GLA)
essential fatty acid supplement
for dogs and cats**

Please read this leaflet carefully. It provides a brief summary of helpful information about the product and how to use it. If you have any further questions, or are not sure about anything, ask your vet.

Use:

1-2 capsules per 10 kg bodyweight once daily.
To be given for a minimum of 4 weeks mixed with or on top of food.

What is Viacutan Plus?

Viacutan Plus is a balanced combination of plant and fish oils providing very high levels of biologically active GLA to be used as a dietary supplement to help condition the skin and coat in dogs and cats.

What are Essential Fatty Acids?

Essential fatty acids are nutrients which cannot be made in the body and have to be provided in the diet. They are essential for the formation of new cells and to keep the skin in good condition.

What is GLA?

GLA (Gamma Linolenic Acid) is normally formed from the breakdown of essential fatty acids in the body. It is also found in large quantities in certain natural plant-seed oil extracts e.g. Evening Primrose oil and Borage (Starflower) oil. If not enough GLA is made from essential fatty acids in the diet, deficiency may arise. Elderly or allergic dogs, or those recovering from various illnesses can lose the ability to convert fatty acids in their diet to GLA. Cats cannot carry out this conversion process at all, consequently they must obtain all of their GLA directly from a dietary source.

Viacutan plus has been specifically developed to address the needs of dogs and cats.

What happens when there is a lack of GLA?

One of the main roles of GLA, in both humans and animals, is the maintenance of a healthy skin. When there is a lack of GLA (and other essential fatty acids) the skin

can become dry, scaly and itchy. Scratching makes the condition worse and can lead to hair loss, redness, swelling and thickening of the outer layers of the skin. A vicious cycle of itching and scratching often results, which can be difficult to break.

How can Viacutan Plus help?

Viacutan Plus contains a rich source of GLA and can be used as a dietary supplement to help improve the condition of the skin and coat. Viacutan plus also contains other essential fatty acids derived from fish oil which further contribute to healthy skin and coat. Viacutan plus has been specially formulated to contain the correct balance of essential fatty acids to keep your pet's skin healthy.

Each capsule contains

Gamma linolenic acid (GLA)	105.00 mg
Linolenic acid (LA)	190.00 mg
Eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA)	9.90 mg
Docosahexanoic acid (DHA)	6.60 mg
Vitamin E	10.00 mg
Turmeric extract:	3000 ppm
Green tea extract:	1500 ppm
Crude protein	22.0%
Fat	66.0%
Water Content	2.5%
Ash	<1%
Carbohydrate	7.5%

Pack size:

30 x 10 capsules or 4 x 10 capsules.

Store in a cool place. Avoid prolonged exposure to direct light. Due to the inclusion of the tea extract in Viacutan Plus a tiny amount of brown sediment may appear in the capsules. The sediment is quite normal, and does not interfere with the administration or the quality of the product

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