

Gilvetmab: An Innovative Option for Treating Cancer



The fight against cancer is never easy. Gilvetmab offers hope.

Your dog has been given the latest breakthrough in cancer therapy. While your veterinarian may have explained your dog's treatment, your head may still be spinning. That's OK!

Here are some helpful things to remember about gilvetmab

Gilvetmab is an immunotherapy

It uses your dog's own immune system to detect and destroy cancer cells.

It can take 1 to 2 months to see improvement

Don't be surprised if the tumor appears bigger before it gets better, or a few new tumors appear. Your veterinary oncologist will most likely check to ensure the growth is a common, temporary response to treatment and continue to monitor progress.

The majority of dogs maintain a good quality of life while receiving gilvetmab

"Quality of life" is something you'll hear veterinarians say when they compare the benefits of treatment to the side effects. Any side effects from gilvetmab are usually mild. And, some issues may be caused by the cancer itself.

Stay in contact with your veterinarian throughout your dog's journey with gilvetmab.

Be sure to report any issues along the way.



What are the side effects of gilvetmab?

Side effects may include being tired, loss of appetite, or upset stomach. Some dogs may develop mild reactions, such as face, eye, or ear swelling or reddening at the injection site. Contact your veterinarian right away if you notice any of these signs.

Can gilvetmab be used with other medications?

Medications that decrease or inhibit how well the immune system works could decrease the effectiveness of gilvetmab. Consult with your veterinary oncologist about all medications your dog may be taking to understand the potential effects. Concurrent medications have not been studied.

Can dogs continue taking holistic treatments concurrently with gilvetmab?

Gilvetmab has not been studied in combination with holistic treatments. Talk to your veterinary oncologist before starting, or continuing, any type of holistic treatment.



Have more questions?

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Notes:

INDICATION

This product contains gilvetmab, a caninized monoclonal antibody against canine programmed cell death receptor-1. For the treatment of dogs with mast cell tumors or melanomas. This product has demonstrated a reasonable expectation of efficacy and a preliminary safety profile in reducing the solid tumor burden in dogs with stage I, II, and III mast cell tumors or dogs with stage II and III melanomas. This product license is Conditional; safety, efficacy, and potency have not been fully evaluated. For more information regarding safety, see productdata.aphis.usda.gov.