

## Suitable dogs

- Once- or twice-daily Vetoryl dosing
- Adrenal- or pituitary-dependent hypercortisolism
- Clinically well dogs (with or without signs of Cushing's)
- Calm dogs

## Unsuitable dogs

- Aggressive dogs
- Stressed dogs (e.g. persistently barking)
- Unwell dogs



# Better teamwork. Better results.

The more we work with owners  
the better the outcome for their dog.

## Appointment

- Book appointment just before the next Vetoryl dose is due
- If the dog is normally given Vetoryl at an inconvenient time then ask owner to give at a convenient time from at least the day before
- Make sure owner has not given Vetoryl and that nothing stressful has happened that morning (e.g. vomiting, injury)
- When re-evaluating a patient receiving Vetoryl, it is important to carefully consult with the owner regarding their dog's clinical response at home

## Sample

- Take sample immediately after examination and before administration of Vetoryl
- 1 to 2 ml of blood in heparin or serum tube
- Can be separated and stored for up to 1 week
- Send to an external laboratory participating in an external quality assurance scheme (e.g. ESVE- or SCE programmes) and preferably that uses a Siemens IMMULITE® – or a method that has been validated against this machine

## References

- <sup>1</sup> Polyuria/polydipsia, polyphagia, panting & lethargy should resolve or improve in 1 month. Alopecia & pot belly appearance may take 3-6 months to resolve
- <sup>2</sup> Reassess history and consider Pre-Vetoryl ACTH Stimulation Test with Cosacthen. Contact Dechra Technical Services for further information
- <sup>3</sup> If symptoms are not adequately controlled for an entire 24 hour inter-dose period, consider increasing the total daily dose by up to 50% and dividing it equally between morning and evening doses
- <sup>4</sup> Use combinations of capsule sizes to increase or decrease the once or twice daily dose
- <sup>5</sup> Dexamethasone to treat hypocortisolaemia, IV 0.9% NaCl to resolve dehydration & hyperkalaemia; alternatively hydrocortisone CRI and IV 0.9% NaCl

Since the Pre-Vetoryl Cortisol test does not feature on the Vetoryl Summary of Product Characteristics, informed owner consent for 'off-label' monitoring should be obtained

VETORYL: Vetoryl contains trilostane

COSACTHEN: Cosacthen contains tetracosactide

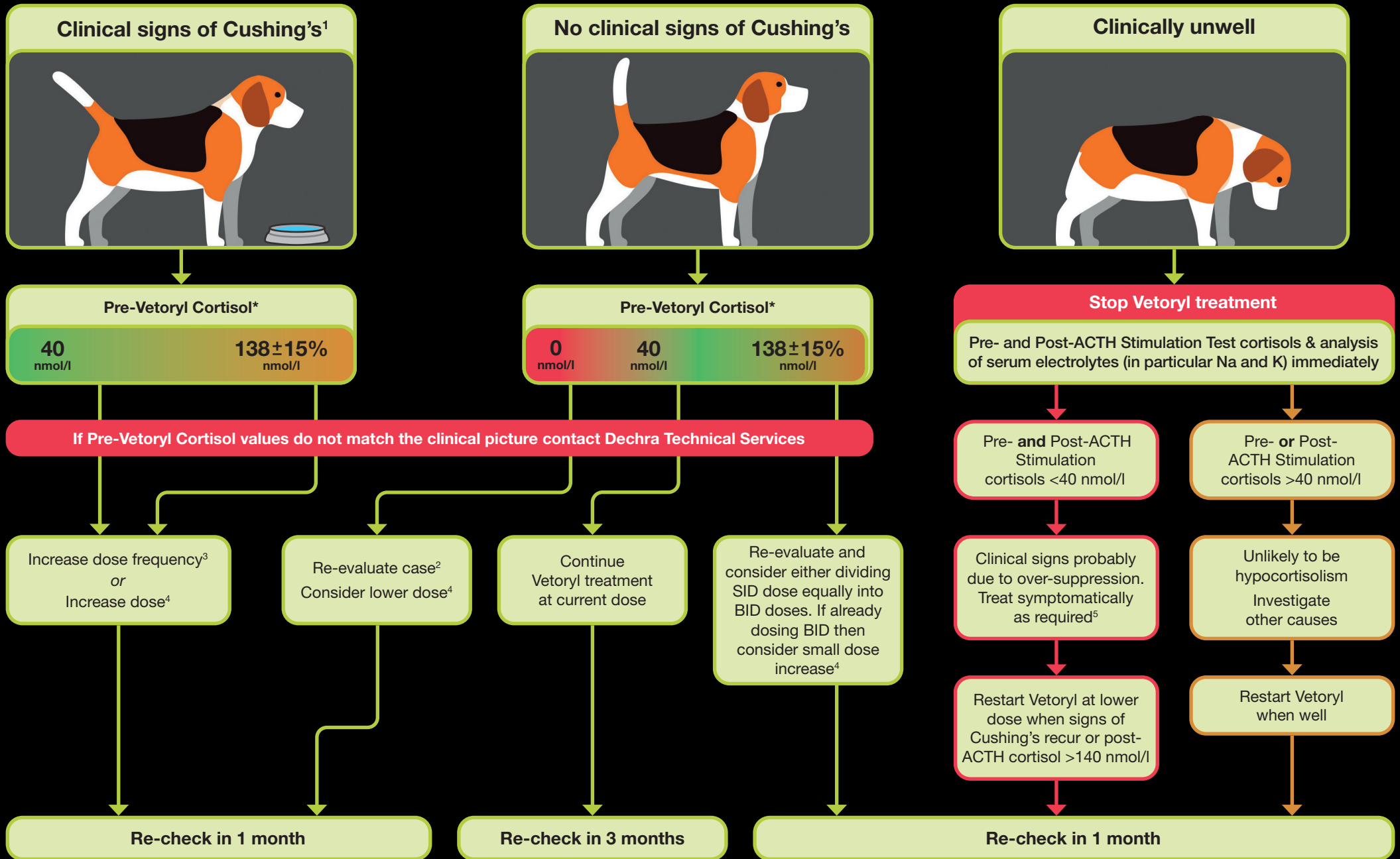
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# How to monitor Cushing's

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\*These figures are based on the use of Siemens IMMULITE 1000/2000 analysers: other analysers may have different thresholds and veterinary surgeons should consult their laboratory if in doubt.