

#### ALICAM® Summary Administration and Retrieval Instructions for Canine use

ALICAM captures 3-5, 360 degree images per second as it transits, capturing up to 36000 images over 16 - 18 hours.

Failure to properly prepare the patient may severely compromise image quality and impair the diagnostic capabilities of the exam.

## PATIENT PREPARATION

- Minimum weight 5kg
- The dog should not eat any food or treats or play with chew toys for 16 to 24 hours before and 8 hrs after administration.
- Provide access to ample water for duration of examination.
- Options are available if you suspect delayed gastric emptying (16 hours +), call us to discuss.
- Specific preparation is needed if colonic images are required.

## **CAPSULE ACTIVATION**

- Open package and remove capsule from magnet.
- Capsule will blink twice and then stop blinking.
- Wait 30 seconds, and LEDs should activate and blink rapidly.
- Administer ALICAM once capsule is blinking rapidly.
- If LEDs do not flash 20 seconds or more after removing the capsule from the package, place the battery-end of the capsule against the magnet in the package for 30 seconds, and remove again.
- Place serial number sticker from packaging onto the included plastic vial.

# CAPSULE ADMINISTRATION

- Do not coat the capsule with food and do not allow dog to chew capsule.
- Administer ALICAM® within 10 minutes of activation.
- Place capsule on the back of the tongue, then hold the mouth shut and tilt the head back until the dog swallows.
- If the patient has a history of vomiting, it should be observed until the capsule has passed out of the stomach.
- If the capsule is vomited up soon after swallowing, it can be rinsed with water and re-administered.
- An anti-emetic should be considered to decrease the likelihood of vomiting if this may be an issue.

## **DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

- Review instructions for recovering and cleaning the ALICAM® capsule with your client.
- Instruct your client to either return ALICAM® in the vial to your clinic.
- Send the owner home with: ALICAM® Owner Instructions & the Retrieval vial with serial number sticker.
- Instruct owner to contact your office if capsule is not retrieved after 72 hours.
- The majority of capsules will be retrieved within 72 hours however in some situations it may take 1-2 weeks to recover the capsule.

### CAPSULE RETURN

- Complete the patient information form upon capsule administration at <u>www.alicamvet.com/caseform</u>
- The capsule should be returned in the vial provided. Ensure the the vial is filled with tissue paper or similar soft, non-abrasive material to prevent ALICAM being damaged in transit.
- If returning the ALICAM in the original packaging, please be sure to remove the magnet.
- ALICAM® will be processed within 1-5 business days following receipt of BOTH the patient information form and clean capsule.
- A detailed report link will be directed to email address on patient information form.

