# Systemic and topical therapy of pyoderma

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#### Introduction

- cutaneous bacterial infection  $\rightarrow$  pyoderma
  - . common
  - . anatomic, physical and immunological causes
- satisfactory resolution:
  - . symptoms' disappearance
  - . relapsing hazard elimination
- \* 95% pyoderma → secondary
  - identify and manage primary problem!

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#### Introduction

- surface pyoderma (hot spot and intertrigo)
  - . usually needs only topical treatment
- superficial and deep pyoderma
  - . need systemic and topical treatment

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#### antibiotic features

- efficacious for S. intermedius and S. schleiferi
- high concentration into the skin
- better if bactericidal
- few side effects
- easy to administer (< 2-3 times/day)
- should penetrate into the skin at high [ ]
- cheap / no rapid developing of antibiotic-resitance

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## antibiotic spectrum of action

- preferable a narrow spectrum
  - intestinal flora disorder ??
  - predisposition to Malassezia's infection
  - e.g.: erythromycin, lincomycin, clindamycin, betalactamases resistant penicillin
- don't use beta-lactamases sensible antibiotics
  - > 70% S. intermedius produce beta-lactamases
  - e.g.: penicillin, amoxicillin, ampicillin

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#### antibiotic tissue distribution

- anatomic reasons
  - only 4% of the cardiac flow reaches the skin
  - no blood circulation in the epidermis
- pharmacokinetics
  - beta-lactamases antibiotics 40-60%
  - cephalosporins 20-40%
  - tetracyclines spread slightly in the skin

### antibiotic bacteriostatic vs. bactericidal

- bacteriostatic: e.g. macrolides
  - immunocompetent animals
  - single and short therapy
- bactericidal: e.g. cephalosporins
  - also for immunosuppresed animals
  - deep pyoderma
  - repeated and prolonged therapy

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### antibiotic bacterial resistance

- often in superficial pyoderma: empiric choice
- antibiotic sensitivity test indications:
  - deep pyoderma
  - prolonged therapy
  - previous empiric therapy with no results
  - previous antibiotic-therapies, several relapses
  - rod-shaped bacteria on cytology

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### antibiotic adequated period

- superficial pyoderma → 3-4 weeks until 7-14 days after the clinical resolution of the lesions
- deep pyoderma → 4-8 weeks
   until 14-30 days after the clinical resolution of the lesions
- \* Important to perform clinical and cytological examination under antibiotic-therapy

# CANINE PYODERMA Definition and Therapy



#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### intertrigo

- Surface pyoderma
- THERAPY:
  - cleaning with topic disinfectants
    - chlorhexidine digluconate 0,5% gel
  - topic antibiotic
    - mupirocin creme
  - if associated to other lesions and sites: antibiotic PO x 2-3 weeks

### CANINE PYODERMA

Definition and Therapy

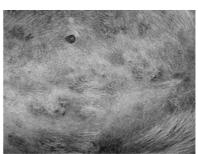


# CANINE PYODERMA pyotraumatic dermatitis "hot spot"

- Surface pyoderma
- THERAPY:
  - cleaning with topic disinfectants
    - chlorhexidine digluconate 0,5% or diluited povidone-iodine / topic systemic steroids
  - systemic antibiotic (if satellites' lesions)
    - until clinical resolution
  - investigate parassitic and allergic causes

### CANINE PYODERMA

Definition and Therapy



#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### folliculitis

- Superficial pyoderma
- THERAPY:
  - shampoo-therapy
    - chlorhexidine digluconate 0,8% 2%
    - · benzoil peroxide
    - ethyl lactate
    - triclosan

#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### folliculitis

- Superficial pyoderma
- THERAPY:
  - · shampoo-therapy
    - with foam x 10-15 minutes
    - 1-2 x week x 1-2 months
- AND SYSTEMIC ANTIBIOTICS\*

#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### Definition and Therapy



#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### furunculosis / cellulitis

- Deep pyoderma
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  - shampoo-therapy
    - chlorhexidine digluconate 2% 4%
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    - ethyl lactate
    - triclosan

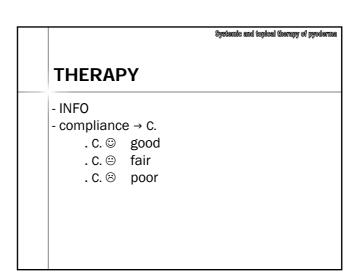
#### **CANINE PYODERMA**

#### furunculosis / cellulitis

- Deep pyoderma
- THERAPY:
  - · shampoo-therapy
    - with foam x 10-15 minutes
    - 2 x week x 2-3 months
    - clip the coat
- AND SYSTEMIC ANTIBIOTICS\*

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THERA	PΥ	
- INFO		
- cost → €		
.€ ©	cheap	
.€⊜	quite cheap	
.€⊗	expensive	

		Systemic and topical therapy of pyoderma
THERAPY	,	
- INFO		
- side effects -	→ S.E.	
. S.E. ☺	few	
. S.E. ⊜	some	
. S.E. ⊗	many	



ANTIBIOTICS — systemic therapy

- first appearance pyoderma

Trimethoprim-sulfa
15-30 mg/kg/ po q12h - bactericidal

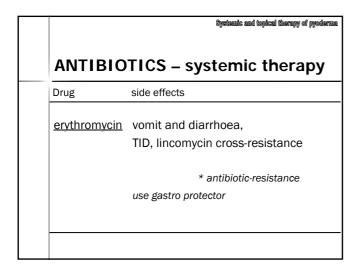
Erythromycin
10-15 mg/kg/ po 8h - bacteriostatic

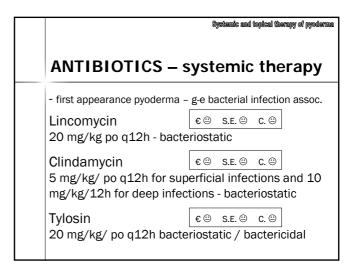
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Drug side effects

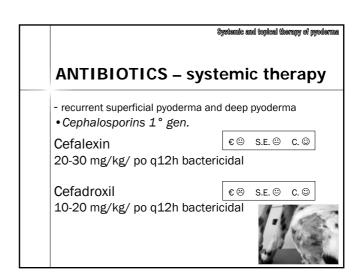
trim.-sulfa vomit and diarrhoea,
kerato-congiuntivitis sicca, drug
reaction, hepatic necrosis

\* antibiotic-resistance
use gastro protector + blood examinations





ANTIBIOTICS – systemic therap	
Drug	side effects
lincomycin	vomit and diarrhoea rare,
	BID, clindamycin cross-resistance
	quite expensive
	* antibiotic-resistance

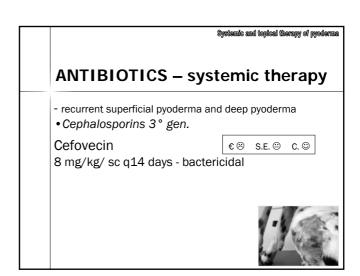


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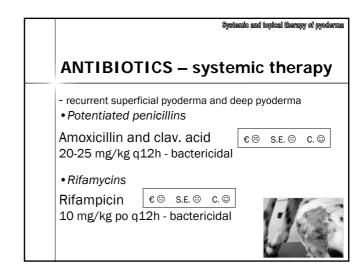
Drug side effects

Cefalexin vomit and diarrhoea not frequent,
BID, quite expensive, good tissue
penetration

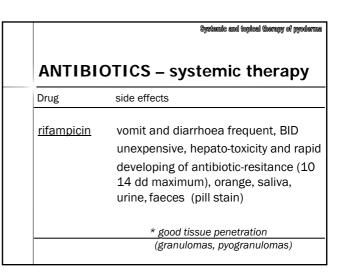
\* antibiotic-resistance rare



ANTIBIOTICS – systemic therapy		
	side effects	
cefovecin	possible side effects if use combin to furosemide, ketoconazole, & FAI good compliance, good tissue penetration, expensive broad bacterial spectrum  Staphylococcus intermedius, Streptococcus beta-emo Escherichia coli Pasteurella multocida	



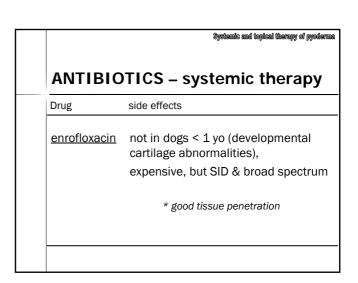
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amoxi + c.a.	vomit and diarrhoea not frequent,
	expensive, broad spectrum
	* antibiotic-resistance rare



ANTIBIOTICS — systemic therapy

- rod-shaped bacterial or mix cutaneous infections
• Quinolones
Enrofloxacin
5-10 mg/kg/ po q24h
bactericidal

Marbofloxacin
2 mg/kg/ po q24h
Ciprofloxacin
10 mg/kg/ po q24h



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#### ANTIBIOTICS - systemic therapy

- rod-shaped bacterial or mix cutaneous infections
- Aminoglycosides

Amikacin

10 mg/kg/ im, sc q12h

bactericidal

Gentamycin

2mg/kg/ im, sc q8h

bactericidal

ANTIBIOTICS – systemic therap	
Drug	side effects
<u>amikacin</u>	nephro-toxicity, BID-TID, expensive, narrow spectrum (Gran neg.)
	* check renal function

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Useful and often associated with systemic therapy
- Appropriate product
- Contact time (10-15 min.)
- owner's compliance
  - explain
  - motivate

Systemic and topical therapy of pyoderma

#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- goals:
- Debris and bacteria removal
- Antibiotic strengthening
- Useful in relapsing prevention

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- product:
- -Indication: antibacterial, antifungal, hydrating cheratolytic action...
- ability to penetrate the stratum corneum
- -residual timing efficacy
- vehicle
- pH
- perfume, color, consistence

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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- product's choice:
- immersions (chlorexhedine, povidone iodine)
- shampoos
- lotions, sprays
- ointments, gels

#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- owner's compliance:
- animal's temperament
- animal's size
- length's coat
- bathroom space's availability
- season
- wash frequency
- washing and product's cost
- perfume, foaminess

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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- Immersions and hydrotherapy
- Shampoos
- Topical medicated ointments

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Immersions and hydrotherapy (exp. deep pyoderma) -Disinfectants to add into the water
  - . chlorhexidine (2-4%)
  - . povidone iodine

x 10-15 min. 1-2 v/die x 3-7 dd



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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- Shampoo-therapy (all kinds of pyoderma)
- Healing actions
  - . Foam massage on the coat
  - . Detergent vehicles

usefull to remove tissue debris

. Promote a better contact between active molecules and the skin

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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- Shampoo-therapy
- ETHYL LACTATE

#### properties

- . antibacterial effect (ethanol)
- . acidifying action (lactic acid )
- . degreasing, comedonolytic

#### disadvantages

- . could excessively dry the skin
- . could cause dermatitis and contact irritation

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Shampoo-therapy
- BENZOYL PEROXIDE max 2,5-3% properties
  - . anti-bacterial activity
  - . keratolytic properties
  - . degreasing, comedonolytic, follicular flushing  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1$

(demodicosis)

#### disadvantages

- . could excessively dry the skin
- . could cause dermatitis and contact irritation
- . temporary staining of the hair coat

#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- Shampoo-therapy
- CHLORHEXIDINE DIGLUCONATE 0,5 4% properties
  - . well tollerated antibacterial agent
  - . anti-bacterial and anti-fungal broad spectrum activity
  - . it is non-irritating and rarely sensitizing
  - . not inactivated by organic substances (e.g. pus)
  - . good residual activity

#### disadvantages

- . it has not the follicular flushing action (benzoyl peroxyde)
- . High concentrations could stain the coat of light-coated dogs

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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- Shampoo-therapy (pyoderma seborrhea)
- SULFUR 2% and SALICYLIC ACID 2% properties
  - . antibacterial, antipruritic and keratoplastic action
  - . keratolytic action (sulfur with salicylic acid)

#### disadvantages

. in case of knowed hypersensitivity to acetylsalycilic acid or to sulfamidics

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Shampoo-therapy
- -DICHLOROFEN

#### -properties

- . antibacterial and keratoplastic action
- . it is non-irritating

#### disadvantages

- . could excessively dry the skin
- . it has not the follicular flushing action

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Shampoo-therapy
- OCTOPIROX piroctolamine properties
  - . antibacterial action
  - . keratin high affinity

#### disadvantages

- . could excessively dry the skin
- . it has not the follicular flushing action

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- Shampoo-therapy
- Correct shampoo application
  - . 2-3 v./week  $\rightarrow$  decrease with amelioration...
  - . excessive use → cutaneous dryness

#### daily use CUTANEOUS MOISTURIZING

- . glycerine
- . propylene glycole
- . urea
- . lactic acid

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- topical antibiotic ointments
- localized infections
  - . pododermatitis
  - . chin acne

ctrl 10-15 min. that dog doesn't lick itself



#### PYODERMA – topical therapy

- topical antibiotic ointments
- -MUPIROCIN
  - . bactericidal action Gram positive
  - . pH acid
  - . no systemic absorption
  - . good tissue penetration (granulomas)

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#### **PYODERMA** – topical therapy

- topical antibiotic ointments
- NEOMYCIN
  - . bactericidal action
  - . sensitizing effect
    - irritation action / allergy x protract using
  - . inactivated by organic substances

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- topical antibiotic ointments
- POLIMYXIN B e BACITRACIN
  - . bactericidal action
  - . poor tissue penetration
  - . inactivated by organic substances

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- topical antibiotic ointments
- FUSIDIC ACID
  - . bactericidal action Gram positive
  - . good tissue penetration
  - . not inactivated by organic substances
  - . in combination with g/c + antibiotic .limitated use in vet. derm.

## PYODERMA Relapses or not recovery

- Correct diagnosis?
- Identification of the underlying causes?
- Management mistakes:
  - Antibiotic-therapy too short
  - Antibiotic not able
  - Use of corticosteroids (topic or systemic)

# PYODERMA Relapses or not recovery

- Relapsing few days from the antibiotic suspension
  - Antibiotic-therapy too short
  - Repeat the antibiotic-therapy with an adeguate period of time

#### **PYODERMA**

#### Relapses or not recovery

- Relapsing few weeks or months from the antibiotic suspension
  - recurrent pyoderma
  - identification and cure of underlying cause
  - if done: idiopathic

#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- MAINTENANCE ANTIBIOTIC-THERAPY
- recurring pyoderma (months-years)
  - . cefalexin
  - . clavulanated amoxicillin
- Pulse therapy
  - full dosage in alternate weeks
  - full dosage in the first 3 days of the week
  - full dosage in the first week of the month
- Daily treatment under-dosages
  - full dosage (very expensive) 1/2 o 1/4 dosage

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- MAINTENANCE ANTIBIOTIC-THERAPY
- recurring pyoderma (> 7 days)
- Pulse therapy
- recurring pyoderma (> 7 days)
- Daily treatment under-dosages

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#### **PYODERMA – topical therapy**

- MAINTENANCE ANTIBIOTIC-THERAPY
- -Daily treatment under-dosages
- -in vitro studies
  - bacterial structural alteration
  - better phagocytosis
  - better serum bactericidal action
  - reduction bacterial adhesion to the corneocytes
  - bacterial enzyme processes alteration

## Systemic and topical therapy of pyoderma

#### the end

