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## Meds used with IVDD

**Stomach Protection:** Steroids (dexamethasone, prednisone, prednisolone) or NSAIDs can be very harmful to the stomach lining. Be proactive with Pepcid AC (famotidine). Red flags: not eating > vomiting > red or black blood in diarrhea.

**Washout:** Vets who practice safe use of anti-inflammatories look for a washout time of 4 -7 days if needing to switch NSAID <-> Steroid or NSAID <-> NSAID

**Pain meds** (tramadol, methocarbamol, gabapentin) relieve suffering while anti-inflammatories take 7-30 days to resolve painful swelling in the spinal cord.

## NSAID (non-steroid anti-inflammatory)

- Vet should discuss known side effects
  - Blood tests for organ health before Rx of NSAID.
- NSAIDs should not be prescribed with a steroid.**

NSAIDs can become toxic to the liver and kidney very quickly in some dogs. Read the current manufacturer's label for any NSAID prescribed.

NSAIDs:

- Aspirin • Etogesic** (etodolac) • **Rimadyl** (carprofen)  
• **Metacam** (meloxicam) • **Ketoprofen**  
**Deramaxx** (deracoxib) • **Previcox** (firocoxib)  
**Novox** (carprofen)