

Fluoxetine

(Reconcile (d), Prozac*) POM-V, POM

- **Client Information Leaflet:** [Fluoxetine](#)
- **Formulations**

Oral: 8 mg, 16 mg, 32 mg, 64 mg tablets (Reconcile); 20 mg tablets and liquid forms are also available.

- **Action**

Fluoxetine and its primary metabolite norfluoxetine block serotonin reuptake in the brain, resulting in antidepressive activity and a raising in motor activity thresholds. It also has minor noradrenaline reuptake inhibition properties, but is considered a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI).

- **Use**

- Authorized for the management of canine separation anxiety in association with a behaviour modification plan.
- Used for the management of a wide range of anxiety-related conditions, including compulsive disorders and some forms of aggression in dogs.
- Fluoxetine has been used in the cat to control urine spraying and other anxiety-related behaviour problems, such as psychogenic alopecia and certain forms of aggression.
- Use in aggression should be with a specifically constructed behaviour modification plan and with caution.

- **DOSES**

Dogs: 1–2 mg/kg p.o. q24h.

Cats: 0.5–1.0 mg/kg p.o. q24h.