

Rabies vaccines

(based on NOAH Data Sheet Compendium, 2011)



Product	Vaccinate from age	Duration	Blood sample	Safe in pregnancy	Precautions/Warnings (see data sheet)
Canigen rabies 1ml i.m. or s.c.	3 mo or older. If given from 4 wks repeat at 3 mo. Consider 2 doses, particularly in younger, naïve animals.	3 years	Response from 2-3 wks. Sample ideally 3 wks after last dose.	Yes, dogs. Expected to be safe in cats.	No disinfectant or spirit at site. Only for healthy animals. Do not vaccinate if immunosuppressive drugs given in previous >4 wks. Some animals may fail to respond. Transient local swellings (lasting up to 3 wks after s.c.), rare hypersensitivity reaction (treat with antihistamine, corticosteroid or adrenaline). Maternal antibodies can interfere with active response. Can be given with some Virbac Canigen vaccines (see data sheet). Give no other vaccines for 14 days prior to or after vaccination.
Nobivac rabies 1 ml i.m. or s.c.	3 mo or older. If given from 4 wks repeat at 3 mo. Consider 2 doses, particularly in younger, naïve animals.	3 years	Response from 2-3 wks. Sample ideally at 3 wks after last dose.	Yes, dogs. Expected to be safe in cats.	No disinfectant or spirit at site. Only for healthy animals. Do not vaccinate if immunosuppressive drugs given in previous >4 wks. Some animals may fail to respond. Transient local swellings (lasting up to about 3 wks after s.c.), rare hypersensitivity reaction (treat with antihistamine, corticosteroid or adrenalin). Maternal antibodies can interfere with active response. Can be given (mixed with) with some Nobivac vaccines (see data sheet), Do not use before or after other products except on a case by case decision
Rabisan 1 ml s.c.	3 mo or older. Consider 2 doses, particularly in younger, naïve animals.	2 years	Response demonstrated at 1 mo. Sample from 14 days.	Yes.	Only for healthy animals. Transient local swellings (lasting up to about 3 wks after s.c.), rare hypersensitivity reaction (treat symptomatically). Can be given (separate sites) with some Merial Purevac non-adjuvanted vaccines for CATS (see data sheet). Do not use before or after other products except on a case by case decision.
Vanguard rabies 1ml s.c.	3 mo or older. Consider 2 doses, particularly in younger, naïve animals.	3 years	Response from 7-14 days. Sample ideally 2 wks after last dose.	No.	Only for healthy animals. Do not vaccinate if immunosuppressive drugs given in previous >1 mo. Some animals may fail to respond. Transient local swellings (lasting up to 3 wks in dogs, 24 hrs in cats, after s.c.; in cats a nodule may develop at 14-21 days but resolves over 14-35 days), rare hypersensitivity reaction (treat appropriately, i.e. adrenaline). Maternal antibodies can interfere with active response. Give no other vaccines for 14 days prior to or after vaccination.