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## TRUST NEOCATE

# For The Effective Management of Cow's Milk Allergy



This information is intended for Healthcare Professionals only.

Neocate is a Food for Special Medical Purposes for the dietary management of Cow's Milk Allergy, Multiple Food Protein Allergies and other conditions where an amino acid based formula is recommended. It must be used under medical supervision after full consideration of all feeding options, including breastfeeding.

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## Identifying Cow's Milk Allergy (CMA)

Cow's Milk Allergy is an allergic reaction to the **protein in cow's milk**, which can affect both formula-fed and breastfed infants. CMA is the most common food allergy in infants and young children, affecting **2-5% of infants**<sup>1-5</sup>.

Around half of CMA cases seen in the UK may present with delayed reactions<sup>6</sup>, frequently with gastrointestinal symptoms, making it challenging to diagnose<sup>1</sup>.

Recognising common symptoms and following relevant CMA guidelines<sup>1,3-4</sup>, can support a timely diagnosis and appropriate management.

## **Example CMA Symptoms**

**Consider CMA** in infants who exhibit **2 or more persistent and/or severe symptoms** from the list below <sup>1,3-4</sup>.

## **GASTROINTESTINAL**

- diarrhoea
- vomiting
- constipation
- reflux disease/GORD
- blood in stools
- abdominal pain



## **DERMATOLOGICAL**

- moderate persistent eczema
- rashes
- severe atopic eczema
- urticaria
- angioedema



## RESPIRATORY

- wheezing
- acute rhinitis
- · chronic coughing
- respiratory distress



## **OTHER SYMPTOMS**

- unsettled
- inconsolable crying
- feed refusal
- anaphylaxis
- taking a long time to feed
- faltering growth



Care should be taken in interpreting non-specific symptoms to avoid over-diagnosis of CMA.

CMA is difficult to diagnose because symptoms can easily be mistaken for other common conditions in infants.



4 MONTHS Average time to diagnose after initial presentation to HCP<sup>7</sup>



>18 VISITS Average number of healthcare visits per patient to reach a diagnosis of CMA<sup>7</sup>

Earlier diagnosis is a factor indicating a good prognosis and may lead to a shorter duration of nutritional management<sup>8</sup>.

## **Managing CMA**

Breast milk is the best feeding option for all infants, including those with CMA. Support to continue breastfeeding and follow a cow's milk exclusion diet should be provided to mothers of symptomatic breastfed infants<sup>13-4</sup>.

In non-breastfed infants, or those requiring a top-up formula, CMA may be managed with a hypoallergenic formula<sup>1,3-4</sup>. Hypoallergenic formulas include extensively Hydrolysed Formula (eHF) and Amino Acid-based Formula (AAF)



## AMINO ACID-BASED FORMULA (AAF)

No interaction with the immune system, based on 100% free amino acids.



## **EXTENSIVELY HYDROLYSED FORMULA (eHF)**

May have some interaction with the immune system, based on extensively hydrolysed cow's milk proteins.



## WHOLE PROTEIN / STANDARD INFANT FORMULA

Not suitable for CMA, based on intact cow's milk protein which interacts with the immune system.



Between 10% -  $40\%^{29}$  of infants (with uncomplicated to more complex CMA) may continue to react to an eHF due to residual cow's milk peptides in these formulas interacting with the immune system.









\*In particular with multisystem involvement (GI tract and/or skin) and multiple food elimination

## TRUST THE NEOCATE RANGE OF AAFs



## Neocate LCP | From Birth

## The UK's No. 1 Infant AAF

The only AAF with over 35 years of heritage in the management of CMA and Multiple Food Protein Allergies (MFPA).

- Fast & effective resolution of CMA symptoms in 3 -14 days<sup>10-11</sup>
- Supports growth<sup>12-13</sup>
- Supported by extensive clinical evidence
- ✓ Hypoallergenic
- Produced in Liverpool, UK



## Neocate Syneo | From Birth

## The Latest Innovation in CMA Management

Clinically proven to rebalance the gut microbiota of CMA infants<sup>14-16</sup> closer to that of healthy breastfed infants<sup>14</sup>

- The only AAF with pre- and probiotics
- Contains probiotic *Bifidobacterium breve* M-16V
- Contains prebiotic fibres, to act as a substrate for *Bifidobacteria*<sup>18</sup>
- Helps rebalance the gut microbiota<sup>14-16</sup> closer to that of healthy breastfed infants<sup>14</sup>
- With the benefits of the Neocate range:
  - Effective resolution of CMA symptoms 14-16
  - Supports normal growth<sup>16-17</sup>
  - Nutritionally complete
  - Hypoallergenic
- Produced in Liverpool, UK

## **NEXT STEPS WITH THE NEOCATE RANGE**







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## The Best Tasting AAF for Children Over 1 Year 19

For children aged 1-10 years with CMA and Multiple Food Protein Allergies, trust Neocate Junior to provide great tasting tailored nutrition

- Available in 3 flavours Unflavoured, Strawberry and Vanilla
- Excellent compliance<sup>20</sup>
- Tailored nutrition for the changing nutritional requirements of children over 1 year<sup>21</sup>
- Produced in Liverpool, UK

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## SUPPORT FOR YOU



Module Title: Key Questions on Cow's Milk Protein Allergy (CMPA) 1.5 CPD hours

## Module Summary

Created in partnership with GP Dr Helen Howells, the module focuses on the presentation of CMPA, distinguishing CMPA from gastro-oesophageal reflux disease (GORD) and when to refer to secondary care.

## **Learning Objectives**

This module will help to bring you up to date on CMPA diagnosis and management including:

- Distinguishing between IgE- and non-IgE-mediated CMPA.
- Distinguishing CMPA from GORD and colic.
- Which formulas to prescribe and when to re-challenge an infant with cow's milk.
- Using a milk ladder to re-challenge an infant with cow's milk.

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