

Vita Alphabet



A – Arthritis. Extremely common in companion animals, this condition affects four out of five older dogs. Osteoarthritis is a progressive joint disease and the earlier signs can be more subtle. Take a look at our [factsheet](#) here to find out what to look out for in your pet.

B – Bones. Cooked bones are very likely to splinter and can injure the digestive tract of your pet. The best advice is not to feed these to your pet.

C- Cardiac. The heart of an Etruscan shrew beats 1500 times a minute! Hearts are amazing organs and keeping them healthy is really important. Our [Omnicardio](#) supplement contains key ingredients that help to support healthy cardiac function.

D – Dysplasia. Dysplasia of a joint refers to a structural problem. For example, in elbow dysplasia it is commonly the cartilage of the joint that has an abnormality. Read more about elbow dysplasia [here](#).

E – Vitamin E. Vitamin E is an antioxidant that can help support the immune system. [Omniomega](#) contains Vitamin E together with high concentration amino acids to support general pet health.

F- Feline. Our feline friends are very good at hiding signs of pain. This makes spotting signs of diseases such as osteoarthritis more of a challenge. We've put together a feline observation chart to [help](#).

G- Glucosamine. Glucosamine is an amino sugar that helps to support healthy joints. You'll find high concentrations of this in [Omnicondro](#).

H – Health. At Vita, pet health is at the heart of everything we do. We have developed our products together with leading scientists to help promote healthy pets.



I – Itchy. Has your pet got itchy skin? This can be a symptom of a variety of problems, so we recommend consulting your vet. Our [Omnicutis](#) supplement can help to support healthy skin, so why not ask your vet about that too?

J- Joints. For complete joint support, [Omnicondro](#) contains the purest forms of Glucosamine and Chondroitin as well as Vitamin E & C as antioxidants.

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K – Keratin. Keratin is a key component of body parts such as hair, feathers and claws. Did you know that it is actually a protein?

L – Learning. Calling all vet practices! We offer lunch and learns (currently virtual) to discuss our range of products.

M – Mitral valves. The mitral valves within the heart can be affected by endocardiosis. This is a condition which affects their structure as they become more fibrous. Read and download our owner guide to endocardiosis for dog owners [here](#).

N – Naked molerats. Something different for our fun facts - molerats! Did you know that they can move their incisor teeth separately from one another, and can even use them like chopsticks?

O- Otitis. Otitis is normally divided into two categories either otitis externa or otitis media. Otitis externa is the inflammation of the outer ear and ear canal. Otitis media is the inflammation of the structures within the middle ear. If left untreated otitis externa can develop into otitis media. Read our owner guide to otitis [here](#).

P- Purring. Is your cat purring less? These types of changes in behaviour can be an indication of pain. You can check out our feline observation chart [here](#) and take the results along to your next vet visit.



Q- Quokka. The Quokka is known as 'the world's most cheerful animal' because they always have a smile on their face :)

R- Reptiles. Reptilian skin is less well supplied by their blood vessels. They also have a lower and more variable body temperature and metabolism than mammals, making wound healing slower. Read our guide to reptile wound healing [here](#).

S- Support. Our rainbow range of supplements are developed by scientists to support your pet's health.



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T – Taurine. Taurine is an amino acid that is essential for heart health, helping to maintain contractility. It is found in our Omnocardio heart supplement along with Crataegus, Carnitine and Vitamin E.

U – Ultra-violet. Advising on the correct levels of UV light for a particular species can help to increase the rate of wound healing.

V – Vetlife. V for Vita, Veterinary and VetLife! Vita Animal Health are very proud to support VetLife – the independent, free, confidential support charity for the whole veterinary profession. A donation from every purchase of supplements will go directly to VetLife.

W- Wounds. Horse wounds can have a range of complications such as poor healing due to skin tension or infection. This means that it is important for owners to assess the wound to apply basic first aid if appropriate and look out for signs that indicate veterinary advice is recommended.

X- Xrays. A radiograph (x-ray) is one of the diagnostic tools that helps to identify whether a pet has arthritis. Download our owner guide to osteoarthritis here.



Y – Yes. YES! That's what 92% of vet nurses said when asked if they'd recommend Omnimatrix.

Z – Zinc oxide. Zinc oxide is naturally antiseptic, helping to support the skin's natural healing. It is found in Omnimatrix - our convenient, versatile skin support cream suitable for use in dogs, cats, horses and even reptiles!