Detoxification: Removing Poison from the Kidneys

As of the writing of this article, many of our pets have been exposed to aminopterin, a powerful poison and U.S. banned rodent killer. Its exact source has not been traced. It is believed to have made its way into Menu Foods’ animal-grade grain (wheat gluten meal) supply via importation from China. What is known is how deadly it is.

Some dogs are surviving after ardent veterinary care but with serious side-effects. Others do not need hospitalization but show symptoms of kidney stress; a change in the urine’s color and/or odor, excessive urination with minimal output and changes in water consumption. Many owners are simply concerned their dog may have been exposed.

In case of exposure to this or any other poisons, there are holistic protocols which can be followed to augment proper veterinary care.

Detoxification is the secret to total recovery and to the prevention of long-term side-effects. The kidneys are made to remove waste from the body. This waste can be from natural processes such as metabolizing food, monthly pest control “treats” or gels, artificial preservatives, flavors or colors in your pet’s diet or the chemical that your neighbor sprayed on his lawn last weekend can be a culprit. It can be from any poison.

The body’s primary goal, after breathing, eating and drinking, is eliminating waste since it can build up in the body and become “poison” to the organ systems. This is the root of all disease, the build up of this waste. It is important to be sure that your dog’s kidneys are functioning fully to remove this waste properly. There are several herbs and homeopathic remedies which I have worked with, that are wonderful for supporting the health of the kidneys.

Azmira®’s homeopathic D’toxifer™ is an important remedy to have on hand. Used in the lower potency, it stimulates the kidneys into waste removal and increased output. It is a wonderful detoxifying combination which I highly recommend to also be used on “healthy” pets once a week to maintain kidney health. For active detoxification, use a few drops daily for two weeks, then move onto the weekly dosing for maintenance.

Azmira Holistic Animal Care® makes three kidney specific products -- Kidni Flow™ (helps prevent and reverse bladder stones and irritation), Kidni Kare™ (helps prevent and reverse incontinence), and Kidni Biotic™. Kidni Biotic™ includes herbs which can help remove poison from the kidneys effectively. Blood & Lymph D’tox™ can help cleanse the blood, lowering the burden on the kidneys in case of infection (another poison), severe toxicity or other internal damage. Remember, as I have discussed in previous articles, to only use standardized extracts for the greatest results. I also recommend that these herbs be used at least once a year as a standard detoxification, regardless of how “healthy” your dog is. It will add years to your dog’s life.

The healthier the kidneys are, the less likely they are to suffer permanent damage in the event of an actual poisoning. Prevention is the best cure. This is the main reason I recommend Azmira® diets and the Holistic Animal Care LifeStyle® foundation products: Mega Pet Daily™, Super C 2000™, and Garlic Daily Aid™.
There is no guaranteed way to protect your pet from everything, but a strong body can withstand and recover from it more quickly and fully.

Regardless of the source of your dog’s kidney condition, homeopathy and herbs can stimulate and support the kidneys into functioning at their best and protect them from the damaging effects of toxins in the blood.

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