



GingiPro™ for Cats with Stomatitis

A plain-language guide for owners of cats with feline chronic gingivostomatitis (FCGS)

What is your cat dealing with?

Feline chronic gingivostomatitis (FCGS) is a severe, painful inflammation of the mouth that goes far beyond ordinary gum disease. The redness and ulcers extend deep into the lining of the cheeks and the back of the throat. Cats with FCGS often drool, have very bad breath, drop weight, paw at the mouth, or refuse to eat — even foods they normally love.

Research strongly links FCGS to **feline calicivirus (FCV)**, a stubborn virus that causes long-term infection in the mouth. The immune system overreacts to the virus, and that overreaction is what produces the constant inflammation.

The traditional treatments — full-mouth tooth extractions and long-term steroids — help some cats, but they don't fully resolve the disease in roughly a third of patients. Cats who don't respond are called **refractory**, and that's where new therapies like GingiPro™ come in.

What is GingiPro™?

GingiPro™ is a prescription-only, **chicken-flavored oral paste** compounded by Stokes Pharmacy in partnership with the Bova group (originally developed in Australia). It is designed specifically for cats whose stomatitis is associated with feline calicivirus.

The paste sticks to the lining of the mouth, so the medicine stays in contact with the inflamed tissue. It works both locally (right where the ulcers are) and throughout the body. It combines three medications in a single formulation:

Monitoring during treatment

Because side effects can show up on bloodwork before they show up in your cat, we recommend running a **Chemistry panel and CBC (complete blood count)** during GingiPro™ treatment. Your veterinarian will tell you how often based on your cat's age, kidney status, and how long they've been on the medication (usually more than 1 month). Most short-term changes (low neutrophils mild kidney value bumps) are reversible once treatment ends.

Pros

- **Tackles the root cause.** Most FCGS is driven by feline calicivirus. GingiPro™ is the first widely available product that actually targets the virus, not just the symptoms.
- **Sticks where it's needed.** The paste adheres to the sore tissues for prolonged contact instead of being swallowed away.
- **Cat-friendly format.** Chicken flavored, applied to the cheek pocket, and easy to measure with the click dispenser. Can be mixed into wet food if direct dosing is rejected.
- **Used successfully in Australia.** The Bova formula has real-world clinical experience behind it before becoming available in the U.S. through Stokes Pharmacy.

Cons & things to consider

- **It's a compounded medication.** GingiPro™ is not an FDA-approved finished drug; it's prepared by a compounding pharmacy under your veterinarian's prescription. Long-term, large-scale safety and efficacy data are still being gathered.
- **Only the right fit for FCV-associated stomatitis.** If your cat's mouth disease is from something else (autoimmune disease, certain infections, dental disease alone), this product likely won't help. A thorough oral exam is essential first.
- **Twice-daily dosing in a sore mouth.** Cats with painful stomatitis may resist having their cheeks handled, especially at first. It can take patience to establish a routine.
- **Not a guaranteed cure.** Some refractory cats still need additional therapy (extractions, immune modulators, or stem cell therapy) alongside or after GingiPro™.
- **EIDD-1931 is a newer antiviral.** It's the active form of molnupiravir. It works well locally, but because it is relatively new in feline use, long-term safety with extended courses is still being studied.

Is your cat a good candidate?

- GingiPro™ is most appropriate when, together, you and your veterinarian can confirm:
- The inflammation extends to the back of the mouth and throat (true stomatitis, not just gingivitis).
- Calicivirus involvement is suspected or confirmed.
- Someone in the household can reliably give medication twice daily.

Practical tips for home

- Apply to the cheek pocket rather than aiming for the back of the throat — the paste is designed to spread.
- If your cat resists direct dosing, the paste can go on top of a small spoon of wet food.
- Wash hands before and after dosing.
- Keep fresh water available; staying hydrated supports the kidneys while on meloxicam.
- Tell your veterinarian right away if your cat stops eating, vomits repeatedly, has dark stools, becomes very lethargic, or drinks/urinates noticeably more.

Talk with your veterinarian about whether GingiPro™ is appropriate for your cat — and never start, stop, or change the dose without their guidance.

Sources: Stokes Pharmacy — GingiPro™ product page (stokespharmacy.com/GingiPro) and Stokes Pharmacy Gingivostomatitis information page (stokespharmacy.com/gingivostomatitis). Malik R, Harvey A. "Pathophysiology of Feline Chronic Gingivostomatitis and Juvenile Gingivitis, and Insights into Novel Medical Management." Centre for Veterinary Education and Sydney School of Veterinary Science, The University of Sydney. Published via Bova (bova.vet), 16 July 2025

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