

# THE SCIENCE BEHIND OUR ORAL CARE PRODUCTS





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# PEDIGREE® DENTASTIX™ DAILY ORAL CARE CHEWS ARE SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN TO REDUCE PLAQUE AND TARTAR BUILD UP, PLUS SUPPORT 'GOOD' BACTERIA IN THE DOG'S MOUTH

Chewing PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Oral Care everyday has been proven to reduce plaque accumulation by an average of 30% and calculus accumulation by approximately 60%\*. New scientific research demonstrates PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Oral Care supports 'good' bacteria linked to periodontal health.

#### The specially formulated oral care chew has multifaceted modes of action:

- · Active ingredients that reduce the build-up of calculus.
- Texture designed to encourage chewing and remove plaque.
   Chewing also stimulates the production of saliva, which provides another mechanism to remove plaque.
- A formulation which encourages 'good' bacteria associated with periodontal health.

Even dogs that eat **PEDIGREE® DentaStix<sup>TM</sup> Daily Oral Care** really quickly still take a huge number of chews to do so. In one study, dogs eating the product in the shortest time (40-50 seconds) took between 90 and 130 chews to consume a chew.

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#### THE RESULTS:

Summary of the effect of **PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Oral Care** chews on plaque and calculus accumulation, relative to a control diet.

REDUCTION	PLAQUE (%)	CALCULUS (%)
AVERAGE	30.6	61.9
HIGHEST	68.1	97.3
GINGIVAL REDUCTION	25.0	ND



\*Independently tested in canine dental efficacy studies at the University of New England, Australia, 2002 & 2003. Brown W and McGenity P. (2005) Effective Periodontal Disease Control Using Dental Hygiene Chews, Journal of Veterinary Dentistry, 22, 16-19.

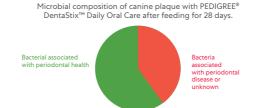


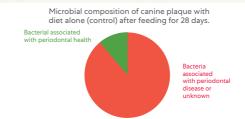


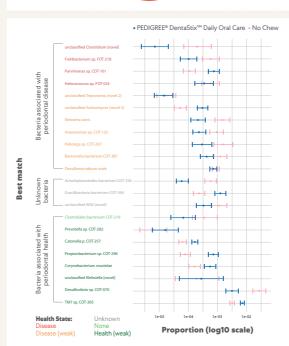
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#### THE LATEST SCIENCE:

**PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Oral Care** encourages 'good' bacteria associated with periodontal health.







Effect of feeding a daily oral care chew on the composition of plaque microbiota in do Ruparell A, Warren M, Staunton R, Deusch O, Dobenecker B, Wallis C, O-Flynn C, McGenity P and Holcombe L. 2020. Research in Veterinary Science. 132, 133-141

#### A FRESH APPROACH TO BAD BREATH

Bad breath is caused by Volatile Sulphur Compounds (VSCs). **PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Fresh** chews contains a unique blend of active ingredients, to help reduce levels of VSCs – acting on bad breath at its source, rather than simply masking it.

#### How does it work?

- Pedigree® DentaStix™ Daily Fresh contains a unique active ingredient blend of Green Tea Extract and patented Eucalyptus Oil, which are proven to reduce VSCs, helping to freshen breath.
- Eucalyptus Oil helps to freshen breath in the short-term, and Green Tea Extract provides a longer lasting effect.





#### **LOW FAT TREATS**

PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily Oral Care and
DentaStix™ Daily Fresh chews contain less than
1.7% fat, are free from artificial colours and flavours.
Both are designed for daily feeding. Please advise clients to reduce main meal by 10% when feeding
PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Daily products.

#### A DEEP CLEAN FROM JUST TWO CHEWS A WEEK

**PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Advanced** is a dental chew designed by oral care science and technology experts at **PEDIGREE®** – with valuable input from leading veterinary dentists. It is specially designed to effectively reduce the build-up of plaque close to the gum line and provide a substantial clean from just two chews a week.

What's more, the **PEDIGREE® DentaStix<sup>TM</sup> Advanced** recipe contains less than 1.8% fat, no added sugar and no artificial colours or flavours. It also tastes great and lasts significantly longer than other chews – around six minutes on average for the medium chew.



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# DENTASTIX\* ADVANCED



#### **Brushing is best**

Ideally, all owners should brush their dog's teeth daily, thus preventing the accumulation of plaque and calculus. This is a common routine for humans, so it should be no different for dogs.

Online tooth brushing guides for owners, available from Pedigree®



To view the video follow the link:

https://uk.pedigree.com/caring/my-dogs-health/how-to-brush-your-dogs-teeth



### HOW DO PEDIGREE® DENTASTIX™ ADVANCED CHEWS REDUCE PLAQUE AND CALCULUS ACCUMULATION?

Mechanical action: Unlike other chews, PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Advanced revolutionary texture (patent pending) cleans by flexing around the teeth and reducing the plaque build-up around the gingival margin.



Active ingredients:
PEDIGREE® DentaStix™
Advanced contains zinc
sulphate and sodium
tripolyphosphate, both
of which enhance its
ability to reduce
calculus formation.

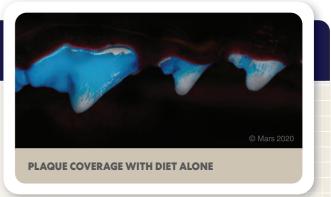
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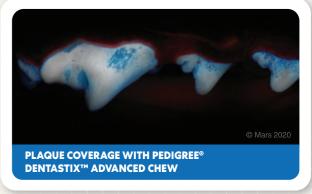
#### MULTIPLE CLINICAL STUDIES HAVE PROVEN THEY WORK

**PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Advanced** has been tested in full clinical trials at independent research facilities. Plaque and calculus accumulation was compared in dogs on a dry diet with those on a dry diet plus two **DentaStix™ Advanced** chews per week.

REDUCTION	PLAQUE (%)	CALCULUS (%)
AVERAGE	48.5%	72.2%
HIGHEST	65.3%	92.4%
GINGIVAL MARGIN	42.6%	70.8%

Independently tested in a canine dental efficiency study at the University of Munich, Germany, 2013





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#### ORAL MALODOUR: BREATH SAMPLE ANALYSIS

Feeding **PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Advanced** results in significant reductions in volatile sulphur compounds (VSCs), responsible for bad breath in dogs.

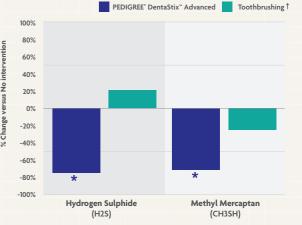
#### ORAL MALODOUR: BACTERIAL SAMPLE ANALYSIS

Organisms that form black pigmented colonies are those that produce VSCs, responsible for bad breath.

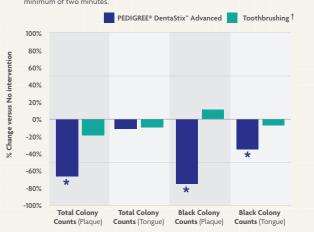
In plaque samples, the results have shown a significant reduction for **PEDIGREE® DentaStix™ Advanced** for both total colonies and black pigmented colonies (p<0.001) compared to the other interventions.

In tongue samples, the results have shown a significant reduction for **PEDIGREE® DentaStix<sup>TM</sup> Advanced** in black pigmented colonies (p<0.001) compared to the other interventions.

Effectiveness of oral care interventions on malodour in dogs Croft C, Patel KV, Inui, T, Ruparell A, Staunton R, Holcombe LJ BMC Veterinary Research. 2022. 18:164



- \* Indicate significant differences (p<0.05) with pairwise contrasts against no intervention
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# Flexible & chewy to encourage dogs to chew and not gulp. Highly digestible and soluble.

Awarded with VOHC seal of approval for plaque and tartar control. The test results below demonstrate that chewing **Greenies™**, when compared to feeding dry dog food alone, helps improve the control of plaque and tartar accumulation on dogs' teeth.

#### **VOHC testing results**

48% LESS PLAQUE

54% LESS CALCULUS

**59%** 

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GREENIES™ ARE AVAILABLE IN 4 DOG SIZE-SPECIFIC PACKS: TEENIE, PETITE, MEDIUM AND LARGE.



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#### HOW GREENIES™ DENTAL TREATS WORK...

The unique flexible chewy texture of **Greenies™** gently rubs the teeth and gums. The chew is formulated to last longer – which stimulates saliva flow helping to wash away plaque.



#### Plaque coverage Control versus Greenies™





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#### HELPING TO ENCOURAGE GOOD ORAL CARE IN CATS

#### You know the health of a cat's teeth is really important, but do your clients?

The tiny grooves on **Whiskas® Dentabites** gently clean the tooth surface as the cat's teeth contact the crunchy treats.

They're a client friendly way to provide daily proactive oral care for even the most finicky and uncooperative cats.







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#### WHISKAS® DENTABITES

#### Increasing efficacy by decreasing density.

The lower density of our feline treats makes them less likely to shatter as cats' teeth sink in. Many other cat treats may shatter upon contact, so there's less opportunity for mechanical cleaning action.



## FELINE DENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

