

Information for the patient owner

## **Taking care of your pet after the gold acupuncture procedure**

Everything you need to know to take care of your pet in the best possible manner after the **gold acupuncture** procedure.

### **After the sedation**

- Your dog's spot should be quiet, slightly dimmed and have a normal temperature
- Never let your dog wake up near stairs or near an elevated spot (sofa, chair, bed, cat scratching post), as it can harm itself during a fall
- Prepare your dog's bed or place a blanket on the floor, so that your dog does not get hypothermic
- Do not force your pet to rest in a certain place, this would only cause stress and negatively affect the recovery period
  - If your pet chooses a spot to rest itself, then prepare this accordingly
- *The recovery period*
  - Dogs and cats are often very restless
  - They may tremble, crawl around, whine and howl
    - » These are not an expression of pain, but rather a possible reaction to the anesthesia

### **Food & water**

- Offer water to your dog only once it is fully awake
  - Leave the water bowl in its usual place and do not force your pet to drink
- Your dog may have food 6 – 8 hours after waking up
  - Give only small portions of food first (approx. half of the usual amount) and wait about 30 minutes
    - » If your dog does not vomit during this time, it may have the remainder of the food, otherwise please only feed on the next day

### **Movement after the gold acupuncture procedure**

- Because of the modification of movement strategies after the gold acupuncture procedure and for the regeneration after the joint injection, the dog may only walk on a short leash for 2 weeks.
- the walks may be of their usual lengths and distances
  - » If you notice that your dog cannot walk the entire distances, shorten the walks
- Smaller dog breeds usually need additional physiotherapy
  - » Start 1 week after the implantation

If you have any additional questions or if you are unsure about the healing process, contact us at **info@rosinvet.de**.