

NOT ALL BUGS NEED DRUGS

Unnecessary use of antibiotics leads to antibiotic resistant infections

Antibiotics are not always the answer



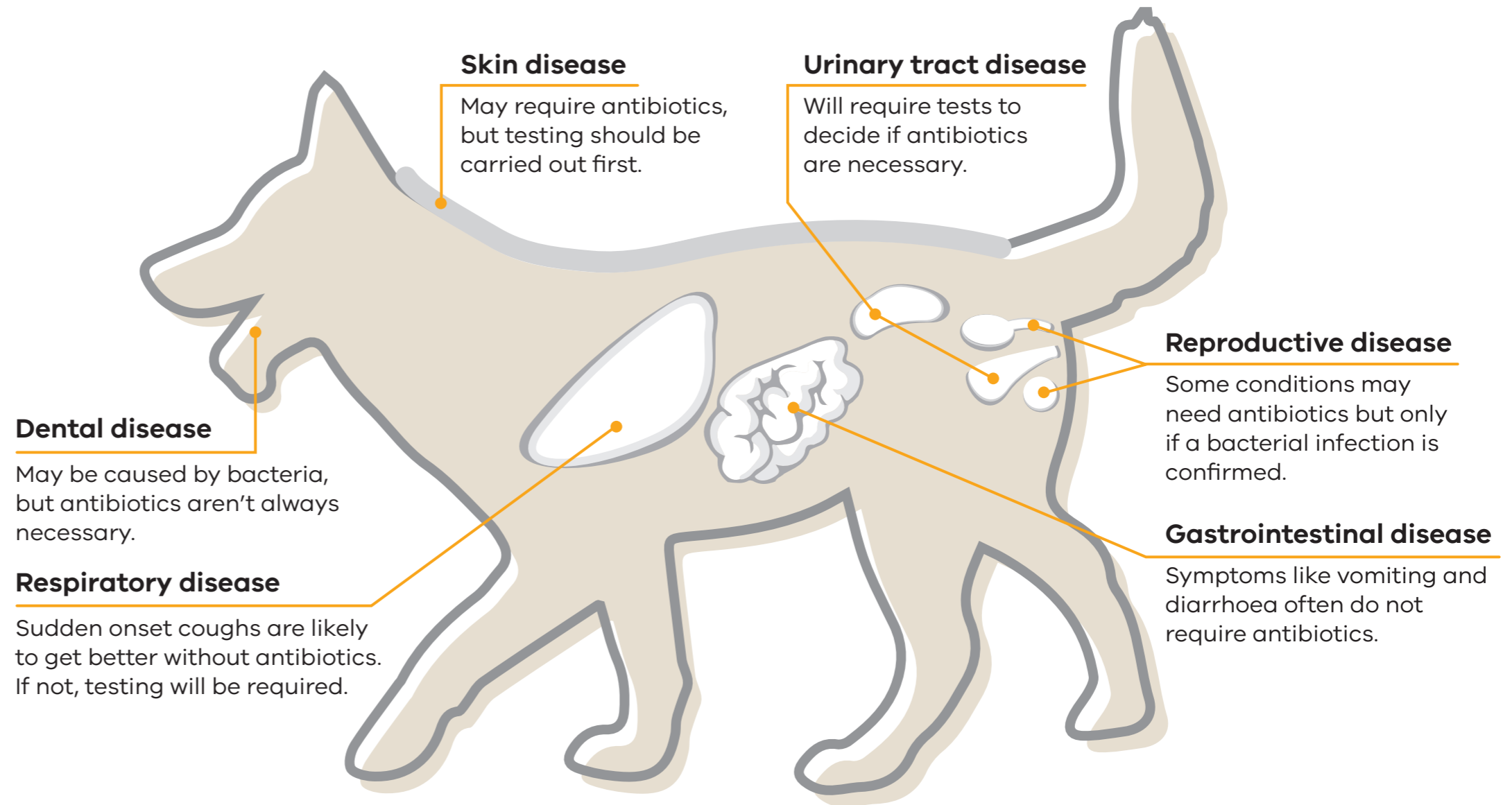
Bacteria become resistant to antibiotics



We are running out of effective antibiotics



People & animals share antibiotic resistant bacteria



What this means for you...

Your vet will only prescribe antibiotics if necessary

- Your vet may need to conduct further tests before prescribing.
- You may be asked to monitor your pet initially, with a view to prescribe antibiotics if they don't improve as expected.

If antibiotics are prescribed

- Use the antibiotics as directed, but tell your vet if symptoms persist.
- Complete the entire course, even if your pet seems better.
- DO NOT share antibiotics between pets.

Once your pet's treatment is complete:

- Let your vet know how your pet is.
- If you have leftover antibiotics:**
- DO NOT reuse.
 - Ask your vet how to best dispose of them.

Play your part in preventing antibiotic resistant infections.

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