

Why monitor my hives?



Main objective:
Avoid a critical level
of Varroa mite infestation

Before treatment

Determine the best strategy and the ideal treatment period
► **Eliminate or limit the damage caused by Varroa mites**

After treatment

Ensure that previous treatments have been successful
► **More reliable monitoring data minimizes losses**



1 colony saved ► 120€ value
10 colonies saved ► 1 200€ value

3% infestation cuts honey yield
by up to 13 kilos/year¹
Boosts survival rate



¹ Maisonnasse, et al, 2014. A study conducted by INRA found that a 3% Varroa infestation cut honey production by 5 kilos of lavender honey per fow, or as much as 13 kilos per year.

Fight Varroa with Véto-pharma products

Véto-pharma
Committed to apiculture

Sold in
more than
20
countries



5+
million
colonies
treated
per year

100% dedicated to honey bee health

Véto-pharma is a French pharmaceutical company that develops, produces, and distributes a range of innovative products to support honey bee health.

Our expertise guarantees the quality of our products, distributed in more than 20 countries around the world, making Véto-pharma as the current worldwide leader in Varroa treatments.



An **essential** new tool
for your apiary



**varroa
easyCheck**
By Véto-pharma



**NEW
TOOL**

**VARROA MONITORING IS NOW QUICKER,
EASIER, AND MORE RELIABLE!**

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Want to become a Varroa mite expert?
Download our Varroa guide
on www.veto-pharma.com



Learn more about Varroa
EasyCheck and Apivar
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A unique tool for effective and reliable Varroa monitoring

- ▶ Made from durable plastics
- ▶ A robust and reusable product

- ▶ Tight-fitting lid is leak-free and comfortable to use

- ▶ Two molded guide lines allow samples of 200 or 300 bees

- ▶ Designed for effectiveness: Fallen mites pass through holes in the base and sides of the filter basket

- ▶ Transparent bowl allows accurate counting and reliable sampling



Quick and easy to use Only 3 steps!

- 1** Collect the sample bees in the transparent bowl.



Watch our tutorial video on www.veto-pharma.com



- 2** Separate mites from bees by shaking gently for 60 seconds in alcohol or winter windshield washer fluid.



- 3** Count the number of fallen mites in the bottom of the bowl and estimate infestation.



When do I monitor my hives?



- ▶ **LATE WINTER / EARLY SPRING**
Assess the need for a springtime treatment, or confirm that a previous treatment has been successful.

- ▶ **DURING THE HONEY FLOWS**
Detect a Varroa build-up and determine if intermittent treatments between honey flows are required.



- ▶ **AFTER THE HONEY FLOWS**
Determine what fall treatment strategy is most appropriate.

- ▶ **AUTUMN AND EARLY WINTER**
Ensure effectiveness of the autumn treatment and assess the need for additional treatment in winter, when the brood is absent, or early the next spring.



This document does not replace the manual. Read the label placed inside the product to ensure proper use.

Instructions available at www.veto-pharma.com