

EPRINEX® USAGE CAUTION: Many clients are purchasing Eprinex® for fall deworming and herd mange and lice control. Now is the best time to buy, Eprinex® pricing is great! We want to caution you though regarding Eprinex® use to insure best results. First, be sure to dose animals adequately by body weight. A frequent cause of failure to control lice is inadequate dosage. If you're going to the trouble to pour-on the product, be sure to use enough. Another common cause of failure of lice control is due to animal movement. Most people assume that pour-on products kill lice the day they are treated. Unfortunately that is not true. Eprinex® (and other similar products) requires up to 4 days to kill lice. If for example you are going to move cattle from an untreated group into a treated group, be sure to treat animals to be moved at least 4 days prior to movement. Proper use of Eprinex® will keep a population of cattle free from lice for up to 180 days guaranteed, provided untreated animals are not moved into the group.

Mange control is another common goal of Eprinex® use. With years of experience we have found that spot treating individual animals for mange is unsuccessful. There can be a number of cows carrying mange in the herd without showing clinical signs. The best method for control of mange is to pour the entire group.

Ringworm is a final problem also affected by Eprinex® use. Now don't be confused. Eprinex® will NOT treat ringworm. However lice move from animal to animal, biting and feeding as they go and carrying ringworm fungus between animals. It is not unusual to see 'outbreaks' of ringworm, even in cows, associated with the movement of lice during cold weather. Ringworm requires a way to contact an animal, and requires a break in the skin to establish an infection. Treating a herd for lice can help slow the progression of ringworm among cattle, particularly youngstock.

Eprinex® prices this year are great! 5 liter containers are \$300, 2.5 liter containers are \$175, and 1 liter containers are \$105. 20 liter prices are the best WHILE SUPPLIES LAST, priced at \$945. Once our supplies of 20 liter units are gone, we will have to re-order and pricing will go to \$1145 for 20 liters. Please note that Eprinex® purchase prices do not allow a 5% discount. Prices listed are good through November. Merial also offers rebates on purchases made through November.

TETRADURE®: Last month we introduced this new antibiotic, but a table printed in the newsletter was not clear. As a clarification we will redefine dosing and withholds, compared to LA200®. LA200® is dosed at 4.5ml/100#. Duration of effect is 60 hours. Milk discard is 96 hours and slaughter hold is 28 days. Tetradure® is a similar sustained effect antibiotic. Dosing is 3-4.5ml/100#, duration of effect is 8 DAYS. Milk discard is 15 days, and slaughter hold is 28 days. We see a future for Tetradure® in treating non-lactating cattle for pinkeye or pneumonia, among other uses. The long duration of effect is meant to avoid having to re-dose those hard to restrain animals.

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