# SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

## 1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Spotinor 10 mg/ml Spot-on Solution for cattle and sheep

## 2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION

Each ml contains

**Active substances:**
Deltamethrin 10 mg

**Excipient:**

| **Qualitative composition of excipients and other constituents** | **Quantitative composition if that information is essential for proper administration of the veterinary medicinal product** |
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| Medium-chain Triglycerides | |

A clear pale gold oily liquid.

## 3. CLINICAL INFORMATION

### 3.1 Target species

Cattle and sheep.

### 3.2 Indications for use for each target species

For the treatment and prevention of infestations by lice and flies on cattle; ticks, lice, keds and established blowfly strike on sheep and lice and ticks on lambs.

On cattle**:** For the treatment and prevention of infestations by both sucking and biting lice, including *Bovicola bovis, Solenopotes capillatus, Linognathus vituli* and *Haematopinus eurysternus* in beef and dairy cattle. Also as an aid in the treatment and prevention of infestations of both biting and nuisance flies including *Haematobia irritans*, *Stomoxys calcitrans, Musca* species and *Hydrotaea irritans.*

On sheep: For the treatment and prevention of infestations by ticks *Ixodes ricinus* and by lice (*Linognathus ovillus, Bovicola ovis*), keds (*Melophagus ovinus*) and established blowfly strike (usually *Lucilia spp*).

On lambs: For the treatment and prevention of infestations by ticks *Ixodes ricinus* and by lice *Bovicola ovis*.

## 3.3 Contraindications

Do not use on convalescent or sick animals.
Do not use in cases of hypersensitivity to the active substance or to any of the excipients.

## 3.4 Special warnings

To avoid resistance, the product should only be used if the susceptibility of the local fly population to the active substance is assured.
Cases of resistance to deltamethrin have been reported in stinging and nuisance flies in cattle and lice in sheep.
The product will reduce the number of flies resting directly on the animal but it is not expected to eliminate all flies on a farm. The strategic use of the product should, therefore, be based on local and regional epidemiological information about susceptibility of parasites, and used in association with other pest management methods.

Care should be taken to avoid the following practices because they increase the risk of development of resistance and could ultimately result in ineffective therapy:
- too frequent and repeated use of ectoparasiticides from the same class over an extended period of time;

- underdosing which may be due to underestimation of bodyweight, misadministration of the product, or lack of calibration of the dosing device.

If clinical signs do not resolve following treatment, the diagnosis should be revised.

## 3.5 Special precautions for use

Special precautions for safe use in the target species:

The product is for external use only.
Do not apply on or near the animal's eyes and mucous membranes.
Care should be taken to prevent licking of the product. Avoid use of the product during extremely hot weather and ensure animals have adequate access to water.
The product should only be administered onto undamaged skin as toxicity is possible due to absorption from major skin lesions. However, signs of local irritation may occur after treatment as skin may be already affected by infestation.

Special precautions to be taken by the person administering the veterinary medicinal product to animals

People with hypersensitivity to deltamethrin or medium-chain triglycerides should avoid contact with the veterinary medicinal product.
Personal protective equipment consisting of waterproof apron, boots and impervious gloves should be worn when handling the veterinary medicinal product.
Remove heavily contaminated clothing immediately and wash before use.
Wash splashes from skin immediately with soap and plenty of water.
Wash hands and exposed skin after handling this product and before meals.

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of clean, running water and seek medical advice and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician.
In case of accidental ingestion, wash out mouth immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice immediately and show the package leaflet or the label to the physician.
Do not smoke, drink or eat while handling the product.
This product contains deltamethrin which may produce tingling, itchiness and blotchy redness on exposed skin. If you feel unwell after working with this product, consult your doctor and show this label.

To the physician:
Advice on clinical management is available from the National Poisons Information Service.

Special precautions for the protection of the environment:

Deltamethrin is very toxic to dung fauna, aquatic organisms and honey bees, is persistent in soils and may accumulate in sediments.
The risk to aquatic ecosystems and dung fauna can be reduced by avoiding too frequent and repeated use of deltamethrin (and other synthetic pyrethroids) in cattle and sheep, e.g. by using a single treatment per year on the same pasture.
The risk to aquatic ecosystems will be further reduced by keeping treated cattle away from water bodies for four weeks after treatment.

Other precautions:

Extra-label use of the product in the non-target species dogs and cats can lead to toxic neurological signs (ataxia, convulsions, tremors), digestive signs (hypersalivation, vomiting) and may be fatal.

### 3.6 Adverse events

Target species: Cattle, Sheep.

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| Very rare<br>(<1 animal / 10,000 animals treated, including isolated reports): | Squamosis [1,2], Pruritus [1,2];<br>Discomfort[1]<br>Lacrimation[2] |

[1] Minor; may occur within 48 hours after treatment – short term and is not detrimental to the animal.
[2] Observed in cattle only.

Reporting adverse events is important. It allows continuous safety monitoring of a veterinary medicinal product. Reports should be sent, preferably via a veterinarian, to either the marketing authorisation holder or the national competent authority via the national reporting system. See the package leaflet for respective contact details.

## 3.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay

Pregnancy and lactation:

The safety of the veterinary medicinal product has not been established during pregnancy and lactation.
Laboratory studies in rats and rabbits have not produced any evidence of teratogenic or embryotoxic effects.
Use only according to a benefit/risk assessment by the responsible veterinarian.

## 3.8 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction

Do not use with any other insecticide or acaricide. The toxicity of deltamethrin is enhanced in combination with organophosphorous compounds, in particular.

## 3.9 Administration routes and dosage

Spot-on use.
For external use.

Dose:
Cattle: 100 mg of deltamethrin per animal corresponding to 10 ml of veterinary medicinal product.
Sheep: 50 mg of deltamethrin per animal corresponding to 5 ml of veterinary medicinal product.
Lambs (under 10 kg bodyweight or 1 month of age): 25 mg of deltamethrin per animal corresponding to 2.5 ml of veterinary medicinal product.

Administration: Apply a single dose with the special 'Squeeze 'n' Pour' dispenser pack or the Spot-On Applicator in one spot on the mid-line of the back at the shoulders.
For blowfly strike on sheep, see following specific indication directions.

*Lice on cattle*: One application will generally eradicate all lice. Complete clearance of all lice may take 4 - 5 weeks during which time lice hatch from the eggs and are killed. A very few lice may survive on a small minority of animals.

*Flies on cattle:* For the treatment and prevention of infestations by biting and non-biting flies. Where horn-flies predominate, treatment and prevention of infestations can be expected for 4 - 8 weeks. Treatment for flies should not be repeated within four weeks.

*Ticks on sheep:* Application to the mid-point of the shoulders will provide useful treatment and prevention of infestations by ticks attaching to animals of all ages, for up to 6 weeks after treatment.

*Keds and lice on sheep:* Application to the mid-point of the shoulders of sheep in short or long fleece will reduce the incidence of a biting louse or ked infestation over a 4 - 6 week period after treatment.
It is advisable to:
- treat shortly after shearing (animals with short fleece),

- keep treated sheep separated from untreated sheep to avoid re-infestation.

N.B. For treatment and prevention of infestations by ticks, keds and lice on sheep, the fleece should be parted and the Spot-On applied to the skin of the animal.

*Established blowfly strike on sheep:* Apply directly to the maggot infected area as soon as the fly strike is seen. One application will ensure blowfly larvae are killed in a short time. In the case of more advanced strike lesions, clipping out of stained wool before treatment is advisable.

*Lice and ticks on lambs:* Application to the mid-point of the shoulders will provide useful treatment and prevention of infestations by ticks for up to 6 weeks after treatment, and will reduce the incidence of biting lice over a 4-6 week period after treatment.

### 3.10 Symptoms of overdose (and where applicable, emergency procedures and antidotes)

Some adverse effects have been seen following overdose. These include paraesthesia and irritation in cattle, as well as intermittent or attempted urination in young lambs. These have been shown to be mild, transient and resolve without treatment.

### 3.11 Special restrictions for use and special conditions for use, including restrictions on the use of antimicrobial and antiparasitic veterinary medicinal products in order to limit the risk of development of resistance

Not applicable

### 3.12 Withdrawal periods

Cattle:
Meat and offal: 17 days.
Milk: zero hours.

Sheep:
Meat and offal: 35 days.
Milk: Not authorised for use in ewes producing milk for human consumption.

## 4. PHARMACOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 4.1 ATCvet code:

QP53AC11

### 4.2 Pharmacodynamics

Deltamethrin is a synthetic pyrethroid possessing insecticidal and acaricidal activity. It is one of a large family of pyrethroid esters which have evolved as synthetic analogues of the original insecticidal extracts isolated from powdered pyrethrum

flowers. Deltamethrin is an alpha- cyano pyrethroid and is a member of the second generation of pyrethroids in which the overall stability of the molecule is improved with correspondingly increased resistance to photo- and bio-degradation and enhanced insecticidal activity. It is more potently toxic to insects and acarines because of the slower rate of metabolism.

The precise mode of insecticidal activity of pyrethroids remains uncertain, but they are potent neurotoxins in insects, causing failure in sensory coordination and disorganised motor activity, hence the 'knock-down' effect. Pyrethroids are metabolised through oxidative and neurotoxic pathways far more rapidly in mammals, so that neurotoxic effects can only occur at dosages which are many orders of magnitude greater than those required for ectoparasitic activity.
Two physiological mechanisms are likely to contribute to deltamethrin-resistance: mutation of the molecular deltamethrin target or through metabolic enzyme glutathione-S-transferases.

### 4.3 Pharmacokinetics

After dermal application, deltamethrin is slightly absorbed through skin of cattle and sheep.
Pyrethroids are metabolised through oxidative and neurotoxic pathways.
The main route of excretion of the absorbed amount in the target animal is the faeces.

### Environmental properties

Deltamethrin has the potential to adversely affect non-target organisms, both in water and in dung. Following treatment, excretion of potentially toxic levels of deltamethrin may take place over a period of 4 weeks. Faeces containing deltamethrin excreted onto pasture by treated animals may reduce the abundance of dung feeding organisms which may impact on the dung degradation.

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## 5. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

### 5.1 Major incompatibilities

None known.

### 5.2 Shelf life

Shelf life of the veterinary medicinal product as packaged for sale: 3 years.
Shelf life after first opening the immediate packaging:6 months

### 5.3 Special precautions for storage

Store below 25 °C.
Do not freeze

Keep the dispenser bottle in the outer carton in order to protect from light.

### 5.4 Nature and composition of immediate packaging

250 ml, 1 x 500 ml and 2 x 500 ml clear high-density polyethylene bottle with internal graduated calibration chamber and a white screw polypropylene cap in a cardboard box.

1 litre and 2.5 litre white high density polyethylene back pack for use with a suitable dosing device and a white screw polypropylene cap in a cardboard box.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

### 5.5 Special precautions for the disposal of unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived from the use of such products

Medicines should not be disposed of via wastewater or household waste.

The veterinary medicinal product should not enter water courses as Deltamethrin may be dangerous to fish and other aquatic organisms.
Use take-back schemes for the disposal of any unused veterinary medicinal product or waste materials derived thereof in accordance with local requirements and with any national collection systems applicable to the veterinary medicinal product concerned.

## 6. NAME OF THE MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

Norbrook Laboratories Limited

## 7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION NUMBER

Vm 02000/4381

## 8. DATE OF FIRST AUTHORISATION

28 August 2014

## 9. DATE OF THE LAST REVISION OF THE SUMMARY OF THE PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

September 2026

## 10. CLASSIFICATION OF VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT

Veterinary medicinal product subject to prescription.

Find more product information by searching for the 'Product Information Database' on www.gov.uk.

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