

## **SUMMARY OF PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**

### **1. NAME OF THE VETERINARY MEDICINAL PRODUCT**

Spectam Scour Halt oral solution 50 mg/ml

### **2. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE COMPOSITION**

**Active ingredients:** **per 100ml**

Spectinomycin 5.00g  
(as spectinomycin dihydrochloride pentahydrate)

Other ingredients:

Benzoic acid 0.10 g  
Tartzine (E102) 0.06 g

### **3. PHARMACEUTICAL FORM**

Oral solution.  
A yellow viscous aqueous solution.

### **4. CLINICAL PARTICULARS**

#### **4.1 Target species**

Pigs (piglets)  
Sheep (lambs)

#### **4.2 Indications for use**

a) For the treatment and control of enteritis caused by strains of *Escherichia coli* sensitive to spectinomycin in piglets.

b) For the prevention of bacterial neonatal disease (e.g. watery mouth disease) in lambs which are at risk of colostrum deprivation.

#### **4.3 Contra-indications**

Known hypersensitivity to the active ingredient.  
Do not use in pigs over 4 weeks of age or over 7 kg bodyweight.  
Use with caution in animals suffering from renal damage

#### **4.4 Special warnings for each target species**

None

#### **4.5 Special precautions for use, including special precautions to be taken by the person administering the medicinal product to the animals,**

i. Special precautions for use in animals

Use of the product should be based on susceptibility testing of the bacteria isolated from the animal. If this is not possible, therapy should be based on local (regional, farm level) epidemiological information about susceptibility of the target bacteria.

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

Do not handle in case of known hypersensitivity to spectinomycin.  
In case of accidental splashing on to the skin or eyes, wash the affected area with plenty of clean running water.  
Wash hands thoroughly after use.

#### **4.6 Adverse reactions (frequency and seriousness)**

None known

#### **4.7 Use during pregnancy, lactation or lay**

Not applicable.

#### **4.8 Interaction with other medicinal products and other forms of interaction**

None reported

#### **4.9 Amounts to be administered and administration route**

By oral administration.

To ensure a correct dosage, body weight should be determined as accurately as possible to avoid underdosing.

Piglets: Piglets under 4.5 kg (10 lb) - 1 pump (1 ml) twice daily.

Piglets between 4.5 kg (10 lb) and 7.0 kg (15 lb) - 2 pumps (2 ml) twice daily.

Treatment may be continued twice daily for 3-5 days.

If pigs do not improve within 48 hours, re-diagnosis is suggested

Lambs: 1 pump (1 ml) once only as soon as possible after birth.

Insert the doser in the bottle and push the piece of clear plastic tubing over the end of the pump spout. Press the plunger a few times to fill both the pump and plastic extension tube with medication.

The preparation should be administered well back on the tongue. Each pump of the plunger delivers 1 ml of solution containing 50 mg of spectinomycin. When not in use, remove the dosing pump from the bottle. Place the clear plastic tube in the neck of the bottle and press the plunger a few times to

return any medication in the pump to the bottle. Before storing for future use, always rinse out the doser with water to prevent the pump parts from sticking.

#### 4.10 Overdose (Symptoms, emergency procedures, antidotes)

Because the product is so poorly absorbed from the alimentary canal, it is difficult to overdose.

The symptoms of overdosage in piglets and lambs are not known. There is no known antidote to overdosage.

#### 4.11 Withdrawal periods

Animals must not be slaughtered for human consumption during treatment.

Pigs may be slaughtered for human consumption only after 12 days from the last treatment.

Lambs may be slaughtered for human consumption only after 10 days from the last treatment.

### 5. PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

**Pharmacotherapeutic group:** Antibacterials for systemic use, Other antibacterials

**ATC Vet Code:** QJ01XX04

Spectinomycin is an aminocyclitol antimicrobial and has been shown to be produced by two kinds of fungi, *Streptomyces flavopersicus* and *Streptomyces spectabilis*. It is similar to the aminoglycosides, acting by binding to ribosomal 30s subunits of the bacteria.

*In-vitro* tests have shown spectinomycin to be effective against a range of Gram-negative and Gram-positive bacteria, although in the field its spectrum of action is for Gram-negative bacteria. Anaerobic organisms are generally resistant.

It has been demonstrated that spectinomycin is more bacteriostatic than bactericidal. The mechanism of action appears to be by inhibition of protein synthesis.

Spectinomycin is poorly absorbed from the alimentary canal. In the blood, protein binding is low at less than 10%. It is almost totally eliminated by renal glomerular filtration with 75% or more cleared in 4 hours.

## **6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS**

### **6.1 List of excipients**

Benzoic acid  
Tartrazine (E102)  
Hypromellose  
Purified water

### **6.2 Major incompatibilities**

None known.

### **6.3 Shelf-life**

Shelf-life for veterinary medicine as packaged for sale: 3 years

### **6.4 Special precautions for storage**

Do not store above 25°C

### **6.5 Nature and contents of container**

Nature:

Container: White high density polyethylene.

Stopper: White Polypropylene.

Plunger device: Various parts consisting of polyacetal, polyethylene, polypropylene, styrene acrylonitrile, butadiene acrylonitrile rubber.

Lubricant: Polydimethylsiloxane.

Contents: 100 ml

### **6.6 Special precautions for the disposal of unused medicinal product or waste materials if any**

Any unused product or waste material derived from such veterinary medicinal products should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

## **7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER**

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