

# DOCTORS FOSTER<sup>and</sup>SMITH<sup>®</sup> PHARMACY

## Patient Information Sheet

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For questions or to consult with a pharmacist, call 1-800-447-3021 Mon-Fri from 9am-6pm CST and Sat from 9am-1pm CST. If you have an emergency situation, please contact your local veterinarian immediately.

## Thiabendazole/ Neomycin/Dexamethasone

(Tresaderm)

### Common Drug Name

Thiabendazole with Dexamethasone and Neomycin

### Common Brand Names

Tresaderm

No generic products are available.

### Storage

Store tightly closed, in a refrigerator.

### Uses

Thiabendazole is an antifungal agent. Dexamethasone is a corticosteroid. Neomycin is an antibiotic. The combination is approved for the treatment of inflammation and bacterial and dermatophyte fungal infections (ring-worm) of the ear and skin in dogs and cats.

### Dose and Administration

Always follow the dosage instructions provided by your veterinarian. If you have difficulty applying the medication, contact your veterinarian.

The ear or area of skin should be thoroughly cleaned and dried before treatment. For the ear, remove any debris, or crusty material, etc. with a suitable non-irritating ear cleaning solution. For the skin, use a skin cleansing solution to clean the lesion and adjacent area. Clip any excessive hair from the ear or treatment area, as directed by your veterinarian.

The design of the nozzle will safely allow you to partially insert it into the ear. Apply the prescribed amount and gently massage the ear to distribute the medication.

If you miss a dose, apply it as soon as you remember. If it is almost time for the next dose, skip the application you missed and go back to the regular schedule.

This medication should only be given to the pet for whom it was prescribed.

### Possible Side Effects

In rare instances, an animal may be sensitive to neomycin, causing redness in the area the medication was applied. If your pet is experiencing this, contact your veterinarian.

If there are open lesions, applying the medication may cause some pain, lasting 2-5 minutes.

If ingested, or given at high doses or for prolonged periods of time, side effects related to the dexamethasone may be seen. The most common effect is an increase in the amount of drinking and urinating. Less commonly may see an increased appetite and weight gain, panting, diarrhea, vomiting, and behavior changes. These effects may be eliminated or reduced by decreasing dosage or frequency of administration, as recommended by your veterinarian.

Contact your veterinarian if side effects are noticed or if the condition worsens.

If your pet experiences an allergic reaction to the medication, signs may include facial swelling, hives, scratching, sudden onset of diarrhea, vomiting, shock, seizures, pale gums, cold limbs, or coma. If you observe any of these signs, contact your veterinarian immediately.

### Precautions

Do not use in animals hypersensitive (allergic) to any of the ingredients.

Corticosteroids, if given at high doses or for extended periods, can cause premature birth. In dogs, rabbits, and rodents, corticosteroids can cause birth defects.

Prevent oral ingestion of the medication.

Avoid contact with the eyes.

A veterinary exam of the ear is necessary prior to use of this product. It should not be used in animals with a perforated eardrum.

Corticosteroids, if given at high doses or for extended periods, can cause delayed wound healing and immunosuppression resulting in an increased risk of bacterial or fungal infections.

Consult with your veterinarian regarding the physical examinations and laboratory testing necessary prior to and during treatment with thiabendazole/neomycin/dexamethasone.

### Drug, Food, and Test Interactions

Consult your veterinarian before using thiabendazole/neomycin/dexamethasone with other medications, including vitamins and supplements, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) such as aspirin, carprofen (Rimadyl), deracoxib (Deramaxx), or etodolac (EtoGesic), other corticosteroids, or gentamicin, since interactions may occur.

### Signs of Toxicity/Overdose

Adverse reactions and toxicities are unlikely if used according to directions. If you know or suspect your pet has had an overdose, or if you observe any unusual signs in your pet, contact your veterinarian immediately.

*Keep this and all other medications out of the reach of children and pets.*