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AZATHIOPRINE

(Brand Name: Imuran)

STRENGTH: 50 mg, 75 mg, 100 mg Tablets

ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION: ORAL. This medication is best given with food to mitigate potential for upset stomach side effects.

ACTION OF MEDICATION: Purine Antagonist (Causes Breaks in DNA and RNA). Used mostly for immune mediated diseases.

MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Bone marrow suppression in 8% of dogs. Upset stomach and appetite loss are common. Approximately 11% of patients will have increases in liver enzymes on blood tests.

SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED: Bone marrow suppression is both common and severe. Pancreatitis and liver toxicity are also possible.

STORAGE: Keep away from light and store at room temperature. Do not refrigerate.

IF YOU MISS A DOSE: Do not double up on the next dose. Simply give the medication when it is remembered or pick up with the next dose, allowing at least the proper interval between doses according to the label instructions.

OTHER INFORMATION: Can take up to 6 weeks of use to see an effect.

Regular blood test monitoring to check for bone marrow suppression should be expected.

THIS IS A TOXIC MATERIAL. IT SHOULD NOT BE HANDLED BY PREGNANT WOMEN. WEAR GLOVES TO ADMINISTER AND WASH HANDS AFTERWARDS.

Cats are especially sensitive to bone marrow suppression with this medication and it should not be used in this species.

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