## **SULFADIMETHOXINE**

(BRAND NAMES: Albon, Primor)

**STRENGTH:** 125 mg, 250 mg, 500 mg, or oral liquid.

**ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION:** ORAL May be given with or without food.

**ACTION OF MEDICATION:** Sulfadimethoxine is a sulfa class antibiotic, most commonly used to treat Coccidia or combined with other antibiotics to use against bacterial infection.

**MOST COMMON SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Appetite loss, vomiting, diarrhea (these are generally minor and can be mitigated by providing food with the medication.) Approximately 15% of patients will experience a disruption in tear production which will require treatment. Goopy eye discharge should be reported to the veterinarian's office promptly.

**SEVERE SIDE EFFECTS REPORTED:** Less than 4% of patients experience more serious effects: skin rashes, joint inflammation/lameness, bone marrow changes. With long term higher doses or with acidified urine, sulfa medications can precipitate as crystals or even stones in the urinary tract.

**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:** Doberman pinschers, samoyeds, and miniature schnauzers are considered sensitive to this medication. Patients with kidney or liver failure should not take this medication.

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