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## Ivermectin and COVID-19

### What is ivermectin?
Ivermectin is a medication used for parasitic infections (primarily worms) and is safe when used at recommended doses.

### Should ivermectin be used to treat COVID-19?

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No. The doses needed to possibly work against COVID-19 in a test tube are 50-100x HIGHER than current recommended doses. These doses would not be safe in humans.

### What are the risks of using ivermectin to treat COVID-19?

If you use veterinary ivermectin, or very high doses of ivermectin, you could have significant nervous system toxicity. This includes severe side effects such as confusion, coma, seizures, and death.

### The bottom line

Ivermectin has not been proven to treat COVID-19, and it can cause harm.

For information on effective COVID-19 treatments visit: [COVID19LearningNetwork.org](https://COVID19LearningNetwork.org)