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COMBINATION POUR-ON FOR CATTLE



## Marc Ross

**PROPERTY:**  
Pinjarra, WA

**MAIN FARMING ACTIVITIES:**  
Shorthorn Beef Production

**SIZE OF THE ENTERPRISE:**  
11,000 acres

**NUMBER OF CATTLE:**  
2,000



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### **Drench resistance in cattle is already becoming a serious and widespread problem, according to leading WA Shorthorn beef producer Marc Ross.**

Marc, who manages Lanstal Pty Ltd, an 11,000 acre property in Pinjarra comprising of 2,000 mainly Shorthorn breeders, carried out a blanket drench of his herd earlier last year using ECLIPSE Combination Pour-On for Cattle, after hearing reports of drench resistance being found in cattle around Australia.

"The proof is already out there, that cattle worms are developing resistance to traditional drenches – so why wait? It's not a matter of if drench resistance will occur in cattle on your property, it's a matter of when," adds Marc.

With recent studies demonstrating that 2 out of every 3 beef cattle properties tested already have drench resistance present,<sup>2,3</sup> Marc didn't want to take any chances. So he decided to get in early and stop drench resistance on his property before it even gets started.

Marc decided to introduce the combination pour-on, ECLIPSE, as a way to break out of his previous, single-active ML (mectin) drench routine.

"We are very proactive on the farm and like to be one step ahead of anything that might become a problem in the future," says Marc, and he recommends other farmers take a proactive approach to drench resistance as well.

Since using ECLIPSE on his herd, Marc has noticed significant health benefits in his cattle.

"This year my cattle look healthier," says Marc.

Marc had trouble with *Ostertagia* on his Pinjarra property in the past, but has noticed a total turnaround since using ECLIPSE.

"ECLIPSE can control *Ostertagia* that have become resistant to the single-active 'mectin' drenches, so with the cleaner cattle, we can sell them off quicker and at a heavier weight, which is of course good for business," adds Marc.

Merial's ECLIPSE Combination Pour-On for cattle is the country's first combination pour-on for beef producers. In light of the increasing awareness about drench resistance in cattle parasites, animal health supplier Merial developed ECLIPSE to help farmers like Marc combat drench-resistant worms, resulting in healthier cattle and the potential for improved profitability for the farm.

ECLIPSE contains two powerful actives – abamectin and levamisole – in one single dose, creating a whole new level of parasite protection. The abamectin component works to kill a broad spectrum of internal and external parasites, while the levamisole component works to kill ML-resistant strains of *Cooperia* and *Ostertagia*.\*

