

Naturally Chelated Trace Minerals A response to the Kigerfirefly post on PetHealth

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The "review" of the product listed below has come across my desk now more than once, so I feel the need to address it in an article. I am going to break into the article with red type and go piece by piece for comment.

Here is the web link where it originated.

<http://www.pet-health.org/forums/horse-supplies-product-reviews/power-horse-naturally-chelated-trace-49351.html>

Pet Health Admin:

Power Horse Naturally Chelated Trace Minerals 03-17-2007

Naturally Chelated Trace Minerals is a natural and organic mineral formula, harvested from an ancient seabed rock, found in very few places in the world. The high amounts of silicon help regenerate the cells membranes all over the body, stimulating the mesodermal cells, thus increasing the speed of healing wounds and inflammations.

kigerfirefly
Guest 11-05-2007

Posts:
n/a



Interested but concerned

I showed interest (on another board) in purchasing this product. Here is the reply I received.....I personally wouldn't feed it.

The date of this post goes back to 2007. There are no other posts in the thread on this web address for comment pro or con. Pet Health considers this a review. A review could only be fair if the person writing the review actually tried the product, and reported the results. Kigerfirefly (not sure if this is a he or she, but will stick with the "she" for the sake of not having to say both) based her conclusions on someone else's reply which she pasted into her comment and didn't even give the name of the person making these comments, or the other forum where she got it from. And who is Kigerfirefly anyway?

A quick look at the "ingredients" shows mostly heavy metals and trace elements not known to have any value to animals. [Horse. Animal Vitamins and minerals. Power Horse. Power Dog. Power Cat. Power Rooster. caballos. perros. gatos. gallos. Laminitis. Founder. Horse Minerals. horse hair supplement. cure laminitis. cure founder. farrier. hoof. legs. joins. colic. 76 human minerals. horse](#) Looking at what's in there, it is essentially a neatly packaged portion of dirt. Some of the items in there make my hair stand on end though. Several have been found around nuclear waste dump sites. There are similar products on the market here in the US from Utah and Nevada, all with high levels of radioactive elements. Sure radioactive elements are everywhere. *Here's an interesting fact I heard quoted from author Bob Berman, "You will get more radiation from 1 x-ray than if you lived next to a nuclear power plant for 30 years".* Go outside and scoop up some soil and you'll probably have a similar list of analysis. But the soil outside your back door might be safer than this stuff.

Here is where the confusion sets in. There is a tremendous difference between organic and inorganic compounds. Please go to the following link and read the entire article before reading on. <http://www.tribeequus.com/trace.html> *This article, Missing Links, was written and posted by Cindy "Hawk" Sullivan, one of my most trusted mentors, and a highly respected individual in natural horse and*

hoof care. Unlike Kigerfirefly and the unnamed commetator, I am going to be named, and will name the people I refer to.

Many years ago I came across a cassette tape with a lecture on it by Dr. Joel Wallach, entitled, "Dead Doctors Don't Lie". I began my own personal quest for better health and have been taking colloidal minerals and vitamin supplements for over 20 years. I recovered from a serious car accident 11 years ago, and at the age of 50 I embark upon a very physically demanding job of trimming and rehabilitating horses 5 days a week. It worked for me, and I carry these principles over to horses, and have witnessed first hand the healing powers of the body when we set the stage with all the ingredients for health, and minerals are a major part. There are many articles out there on the internet bashing Wallach and his claims, but honestly, the proof is in the pudding. I personally use his products for myself, and I have recommended the minerals at the beginning of this article for over 100 horses with great results over 4 years. This is a legitimate review of the product.

EPA has set the arsenic standard for drinking water at .010 parts per million. This product contains 0.20 parts per million. Many times the EPA level for safe arsenic levels. Plus the hay that you feed is also absorbing some arsenic from the soil, so your horse's total intake can be even higher.

Thallium- Product has 10 parts per million. "Studies in people who ingested large amounts of thallium over a short time have reported vomiting, diarrhea, temporary hair loss, and effects on the nervous system, lungs, heart, liver, and kidneys. It has caused death. It is not known what the effects are from ingesting low levels of thallium over a long time."

Dysprosium- Product has 4 parts per million.

"As with the other lanthanides, dysprosium compounds are of low to moderate toxicity, although their toxicity has not been investigated in detail. Dysprosium does not have any known biological properties. *Just because they are not known, does not mean they do not exist.*

Thorium- Product has over 100 parts per million. Why don't they give you an actual number. 'Over 100' is not an accurate analysis, what don't they want you to know??? What is the actual ppm for the product? Death occurs in mice fed 1000 ppm longer than 14 days.

Uranium- Product has over 100 parts per million. Again, just like Thorium, why don't they give you an actual number? Typical concentrations in soil are a few parts per million (ppm) for Uranium. That is no where close to the "over 100" that the product lists.

If you read Cindy's article, you should understand this now. If you don't, go back and read it again!

If you vaccinate your horse on a yearly basis, do you ask the Vet how many ppm of thimerasol (mercury) may be in that vile? Entire schools are shut down for weeks when someone drops a thermometer with mercury in it. Do you have any idea what else is in that vile besides a virus? Do you ask your vet those questions?

This product is probably (*probably? – you don't even know? Just speculating?*) tailings from another mining operation. A by-product. Add a little binder, make it into a pellet and get a veterinarian from Argentina to state that it is great stuff. By the way, that 'study' was never officially published and never reviewed by anyone in the veterinary industry.

www.animalpowersource.com/LaminitisPrevention.pdf

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It does not state whether they changed their feed supplier (they stated that the laminitis was caused by mold toxins). It did not state whether they did any aggressive ferrier work on the horses to minimize the laminitis damage. It didn't state whether the 150 horses that were stalled had any changes to their routine (more turn-out time, etc.). They didn't even include a control group (stalled horses that were receiving no miracle mineral) to demonstrate that the changes would not

have occurred under natural circumstances. There was mention of X-rays, but they never presented them as evidence of the improvements.

Yes, this supplement looks like dirt. It is from the earth, not some laboratory that creates synthetic nutrition (can you actually put these 2 words together?). There are no binders, and it does not come in a pelleted form. Try reading the ingredients in all the other hoof supplements out there on the market, and you will find floor sweepings and by products from the grain industry as well as preservatives. Wheat middlings, soybean hulls and oil, dried distillers grain solubles, dehydrated alfalfa meal, etc.

I personally know Dr. Carlos Cortelezzi, from Argentina. (He lives and works here in the USA). He is an Equine Chiropractor, and has worked on many of my client horses with spectacular results because he knows that without good nutrition, all the trimming and chiropractic and anything else we do claiming to be the sole "magic bullet" will not change much for any horse.

This Trace Mineral Supplement is known to most people as Power Horse or Animal Trace Minerals, and is not the sole cure for laminitis. It is a piece of what's missing in turning laminitic horses around in my experience. You don't minimize laminitis with farrier work alone, it has to be done through the diet first! The trim is just another piece of the big picture.

>>>Once these initial changes took place, a better displacement of the horses was observed. Although the vast majority of them never returned fully to be used in the ring, a visible improvement of the laminitic condition took place. Horses that could not walk did so, living at least a kind of life that would allow them to reproduce and be of some service.>>>

This is no different than an untreated horse suffering from laminitis. Once the trigger is removed (toxic feed, grain overload, road jarring, etc.) the horse starts to improve. He states that most of the horses never returned to the ring but they could walk and be breeding stock. Well, so could a laminatic horse that receives no treatment of special minerals. The best "repair" for laminitis/founder is careful and proper hoof trimming. Keeping the horse comfortable while it grows a new hoof.

If careful and proper hoof trimming was all laminitic horses needed to get well, then all the trimmers would be hero's and laminitis would no longer be the #2 killer in horses!! I deal with this every day, and there is a whole horse sitting on top of those feet. If we do not address EVERYTHING that stresses the horse, all the trimming in the world won't change anything. You need to address the diet, environment, trim cycle, supplements, what the horse does for a living, how his saddle fits, his biomechanics, past injuries, dentistry, vaccination and worming schedule—to name a few!

>>>But the real effect of the Trace Minerals was observed as the first year of treatment was completed: no more rotations occurred and the Laminitis cases became so infrequent, that we could expect them only when major changes of the food components took place, such as in the changes of seasons, from rainy season to dry or vice versa. We went from more than 10% incidence to zero rotations.>>>

So, they continued to feed their horses the aflatoxin infected feed??? *He did say the rainy season to dry and vice versa indicating environmental change- something we have no control over.* If they are stating that no more rotations occurred BECAUSE of the mineral, then they would have had to keep them on the toxic feed, otherwise it would screw with the results. Were there no rotation because they were fed the miracle mineral or because the ranch stopped feeding the toxic feed? *How about both? This supplement actually binds to toxins and helps expel them from the body. It is a detoxifier. You cannot give your horse a medication and Power Horse in the same bucket because of this.*

Personally, I'd save the money and not buy a fancy package of dirt.

I'm looking for a response to all that. I obviously want to make sure my horse is safe and I'm doing something for her benefit not her detriment. Thanks much

Kigerfirefly- here's your response from me, personally, I'd advise you to start saving your money and buy some of this product and try it for yourself. My personal horses get 30cc's every day. I trim close to 200 horses, with most getting the same dose. Many horses have beautiful restored hair coats, and longer manes and tails, we've grown out stubborn pathologies, have better feed conversion and better healthier horses which, in turn, grow better healthier feet.

Did the person writing the "review" you copied ever use the product? Do you know them? Who are they, and what do they represent? Take the time to study it for yourself and think for yourself, and not just after reading 1 person's comment. Read the Power Horse Guarantee- you have nothing to loose except better health for your horse.



This is what adding Power Horse or Animal Trace Minerals (same product) to your horse's diet can help produce in addition to regular trimming, 24/7 turnout with a herd and the opportunity to be a horse. This photo was after just 5 months! Notice the top (white) part of the hoof is the healthy tighter growth compared to the starving brittle lower half. He grew a new foot in 11 months.

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