

RSR Feline Ringworm Protocol

- Examine any suspicious lesions using a Wood's lamp. If positive, (glowing bright neon green hairs) begin treatment listed below. If a suspicious lesion is present but not glowing, a confirmatory Ringworm PCR should still be sent out. To potentially save the animal time in Rescue, start treatment while results are pending.
- Start the cat/kitten on **Itrafungol (0.5ml/kg) ONCE a day until a negative RW PCR is received**. If it is a kitten, make sure to follow up with the foster once weekly to get an updated weight so the dose can be adjusted as needed.
- Start **Lime Sulfur dips (8oz per gallon of water) TWICE a week until a RW PCR is received**. The fur should be saturated with water first prior to applying Lime Sulfur to skin and coat. Apply lime sulfur and massage deep into coat, then take a rag or towel and gently apply to face, head, and ears, taking caution to avoid the eyes. The lime-sulfur dip must air dry on the coat; do not rinse.
- After the cat/kitten is deemed positive, they should have a **Ringworm PCR sent out 2 weeks post start of treatment. The PCRs should be sent out weekly thereafter until a negative result is received**. Treatment should continue while results are pending.
- RW+ cats/kittens should be quarantined away from any other animals during treatment. Ideally, they should be housed in a room with tile/vinyl/wood floors as it is easier to disinfect. Areas should be deep cleaned after each Lime Sulfur dip as they can reinfect themselves. Towels/blankets/beds and toys should either be bleached or thrown away.. Foster's should also be sent with a 8oz Boston Round of Rescue cleaner to be mixed in spray bottles (2oz Rescue per 32oz water) to be used for cleaning.

