

## **Praziquantel**

### **INDICATIONS:**

1. Schistosomiasis
2. Intestinal fluke infections; lung fluke infections; clonorchiasis; opisthorchiasis
3. Tapeworm infections
4. Neurocysticercosis

### **SAFETY ALERT:**

#### **1. Adverse Drug Reactions:**

Headache, drowsiness, dizziness, malaise, abdominal discomfort, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, urticaria, rashes, pruritus, fever, eosinophilia

#### **2. Drug interactions:**

Reduced plasma concentrations when used with dexamethasone. Carbamazepine, phenytoin & chloroquine may reduce the bioavailability of praziquantel

#### **3. Contraindications:**

Hypersensitivity, ocular cysticercosis

#### **4. Precautions:**

Driving or operating machinery during or for 24 hrs after treatment. Severe hepatic disease. Do not breastfeed during or for 72 hrs after treatment