Presentation
Pantoprox tablet: Each enteric coated tablet contains Pantoprazole Sodium Sesquihydrate USP 22.56 mg equivalent to Pantoprazole 20 mg.

Description
It is a proton pump inhibitor that suppresses gastric acid secretion by specific inhibition of the H⁺/K⁺-ATPase in the gastric parietal cell. By acting specifically on the proton pump, Pantoprazole blocks the final step in acid production, thus reducing gastric acidity.

Indication
- Gastro-esophageal reflux disease (in the presence of erosive reflux esophagitis)
- Symptomatic treatment of Gastro-esophageal reflux disease (in the absence of esophagitis)
- NSAID associated gastric ulcer
- Duodenal ulcer associated with Helicobacter pylori
- Zollinger-Ellison Syndrome

Dosage and administration
Pantoprazole can be taken before or after meal.

Adverse effect
Headache, flatulence, nausea, abdominal pain, diarrhea, dry mouth, dizziness/vertigo and constipation.

Use in special group
Pregnancy: This drug should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.
Lactation: The excretion of Pantoprazole in breast milk has not been studied. A decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or to discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

Precaution
Symptomatic response to therapy with Pantoprazole does not preclude the presence of gastric malignancy.

Drug interaction
Pantoprazole inhibits gastric acid secretion. Therefore, Pantoprazole may interfere with the absorption of drugs where gastric pH is an important determinant of bioavailability (e.g. Ketoconazole, Iron salts and Digoxin).

Storage
Keep out of the reach of children. Keep below 30⁰ C, protect from light.

How supplied
Pantoprox Tablet: Each box contains 6x10’s tablet in blister pack.

Contraindication
Patients with known hypersensitivity to any component of the formulation.