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# (14C)-Glycocholic Acid

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## **Drug Levels and Effects**

## **Summary of Use during Lactation**

Information in this record refers to the use of (14C)-glycocholic acid as a diagnostic agent. Breastfeeding does not need to be suspended after administration of (14C)-glycocholic acid.[1,2]

### **Drug Levels**

Carbon 14 is a low-energy beta emitter with a physical half-life of about 5730 years. (14C)- glycocholic acid has an effective half-life of 143 hours. Approximately 9.2% of the injected radioactivity is excreted into breastmilk.[1]

#### **Effects in Breastfed Infants**

Relevant published information was not found as of the revision date.

#### **Effects on Lactation and Breastmilk**

Relevant published information was not found as of the revision date.

#### References

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- 2. Mattsson S, Johansson L, Leide Svegborn S, et al. Radiation dose to patients from radiopharmaceuticals: A compendium of current information related to frequently used substances. Annex D. Recommendations on breast-feeding interruptions. Ann ICRP. 2015;44(2 Suppl):319–21. PubMed PMID: 26069086.

### **Substance Identification**

#### **Substance Name**

(14C)-Glycocholic Acid

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# **Drug Class**

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Radiopharmac euticals

Carbon Radioisotopes

Diagnostic Agents