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Atovaquone

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CASRN: 95233-18-4

Drug Levels and Effects

Summary of Use during Lactation

No information is available on the use of atovaquone during breastfeeding. However, the quantity of drug in breast milk is assumed too low to provide adequate protection against malaria for the breastfed infant.[1] A dosage has been established for infants weighing as little as 5 kg, so it is unlikely to adversely affect breastfed infants weighing 5 kg or more.

Drug Levels

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

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

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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.

Alternate Drugs to Consider

Chloroquine, Mefloquine

References

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC Yellow Book 2020: Health Information for International Travel. New York: Oxford University Press 2019. Available at: https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbook/2020/travel-related-infectious-diseases/malaria

Substance Identification

Substance Name

Atovaquone

CAS Registry Number

95233-18-4

Drug Class

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Anti-infective Agents

Antiparasitic Agents

Antimalarials

Antiprotozoal Agents