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Erlotinib

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CASRN: 183321-74-6

Drug Levels and Effects

Summary of Use during Lactation

No information is available on the clinical use of erlotinib during breastfeeding. Because erlotinib is 93% bound to plasma proteins, the amount in milk is likely to be low. However, its half-life is about 36 hours and it might accumulate in the infant. It is also given in combination with gemcitabine for pancreatic cancer, which may increase the risk to the infant. The manufacturer recommends that breastfeeding be discontinued during erlotinib therapy and for 2 weeks after the final dose.

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.

Substance Identification

Substance Name

Erlotinib

CAS Registry Number

183321-74-6

Drug Class

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Antineoplastic Agents

Enzyme Inhibitors

Protein Kinase Inhibitors

Signal Transduction Inhibitors

Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors