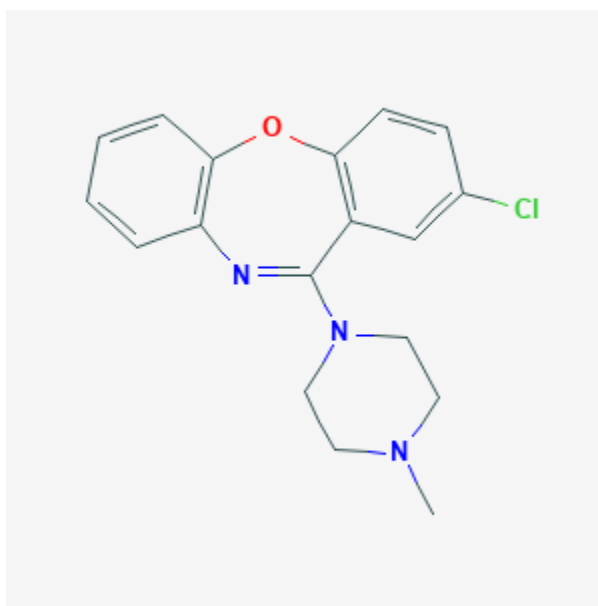




Loxapine

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Drug Levels and Effects

Summary of Use during Lactation

Because no information is available on the use of loxapine during breastfeeding, an alternate drug may be preferred, especially while nursing a newborn or preterm infant.

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.

Effects in Breastfed Infants

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

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Effects on Lactation and Breastmilk

Loxapine can elevate serum prolactin.[2] The hyperprolactinemia is caused by the drug's dopamine-blocking action in the tuberoinfundibular pathway.[3]

The prolactin level in a mother with established lactation may not affect her ability to breastfeed.

Alternate Drugs to Consider

Haloperidol, Olanzapine

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Substance Identification

Substance Name

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Drug Class

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Antipsychotic Agents