

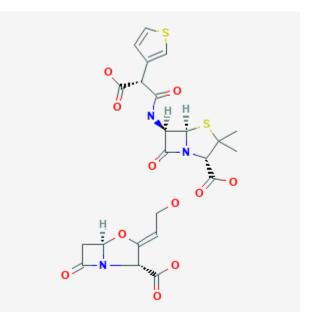
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# **Ticarcillin and Clavulanic Acid**

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## **Drug Levels and Effects**

## Summary of Use during Lactation

Limited information indicates that ticarcillin produces low levels in milk that are not expected to cause adverse effects in breastfed infants. Clavulanic acid has not been studied in nursing mothers. Occasionally disruption of the infant's gastrointestinal flora, resulting in diarrhea or thrush have been reported with penicillins, but these effects have not been adequately evaluated. Ticarcillin and clavulanic acid is acceptable is acceptable in nursing mothers.

## **Drug Levels**

*Maternal Levels*. No studies on the combination of ticarcillin and clavulanic acid during breastfeeding have been reported. Only trace levels of ticarcillin were detected for 6 hours after single 1 gram intramuscular doses in 3 women in one study[1][2] and 5 women in another early study.[3]

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After ticarcillin doses of 5 grams intravenously three times a day in 10 women, milk levels averaged 2 to 2.5 mg/L. By 12 hours after the last dose, ticarcillin was undetectable in the milk. The total daily intake of a breastfed infant would be negligible.[4]

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.

## **Effects on Lactation and Breastmilk**

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

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# **Substance Identification**

#### **Substance Name**

Ticarcillin and Clavulanic Acid

## **CAS Registry Number**

86482-18-0

#### **Drug Class**

**Breast Feeding** 

Lactation

Anti-Infective Agents

Antibacterial Agents

Penicillins