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# Mycophenolate

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CASRN: 128794-94-5; 24280-93-1

# **Drug Levels and Effects**

# **Summary of Use during Lactation**

No information is available on the excretion of mycophenolate into breastmilk. A few infants have reportedly been breastfed during mycophenolate therapy, with no adverse effects reported. Because little information is available on the use of mycophenolate 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.

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### **Effects in Breastfed Infants**

The National Transplantation Pregnancy Registry has collected information on 6 mothers (5 kidney and 2 heart transplants) who breastfed 7 infants while taking a mycophenolate product. The maximum time that any of the infants was breastfed was 14 months. None of the infants had any reported adverse reactions.[1]

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

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

### **Alternate Drugs to Consider**

Azathioprine, Cyclosporine, Tacrolimus

#### References

1. Constantinescu S, Pai A, Coscia LA, et al. Breast-feeding after transplantation. Best Pract Res Clin Obstet Gynaecol. 2014;28:1163–73. PubMed PMID: 25271063.

### **Substance Identification**

#### **Substance Name**

Mycophenolate

# **CAS Registry Number**

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## **Drug Class**

**Breast Feeding** 

Lactation

Immunosuppressive Agents