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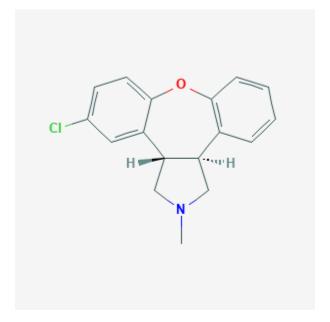
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# **Asenapine**

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CASRN: 65576-45-6



# **Drug Levels and Effects**

## **Summary of Use during Lactation**

Because no information is available on the use of asenapine 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**

Galactorrhea has been reported with asenapine.[1] Hyperprolactinemia appears to be the cause of the galactorrhea. The hyperprolactinemia is caused by the drug's dopamine-blocking action in the tuberoinfundibular pathway. The maternal prolactin level in a mother with established lactation may not affect her ability to breastfeed.

### **Alternate Drugs to Consider**

(Antipsychotic Agents) Haloperidol, Olanzapine, Risperidone

#### References

1. Saphris package insert. Schering-Plough Corporation. August, 2009.

### **Substance Identification**

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Asenapine

## **CAS Registry Number**

65576-45-6

### **Drug Class**

**Breast Feeding** 

Lactation

Antipsychotic Agents