

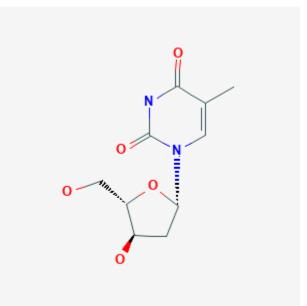
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# Telbivudine

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CASRN: 3424-98-4



# **Drug Levels and Effects**

# Summary of Use during Lactation

Telbivudine has not been studied in nursing mothers being treated for hepatitis B infection. An alternate drug may be preferred, especially while nursing a newborn or preterm infant.

No difference exist in infection rates between breast-fed and formula-fed infants born to hepatitis B-infected women, as long as the infant receives hepatitis B immune globulin and hepatitis B vaccine at birth. Mothers with hepatitis B are encouraged to breastfeed their infants after their infants receive these preventative measures.[1] [2]

# **Drug Levels**

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

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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.

# **Alternate Drugs to Consider**

(Hepatitis B) Interferon Alfa, Lamivudine, Tenofovir

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# **Substance Identification**

### Substance Name

Telbivudine

### **CAS Registry Number**

3424-98-4

### **Drug Class**

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Antiviral Agents

Anti-Retroviral Agents