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# Medications & Mothers' Milk (Medications And Mother's Milk)



## Synopsis

Now in its 16th Edition, Medications and Mothers' Milk, is the worldwide best selling drug reference on the use of medications in breastfeeding mothers. This book provides you with the most current, complete, and easy-to-read information on using medications in breastfeeding mothers. This massive new update has hundreds of new drugs, diseases, vaccines, and syndromes. It also contains numerous new tables, and changes to hundreds of existing drugs. Written by a world-renown clinical pharmacologist, Dr. Thomas Hale, this drug reference provides includes everything that is known about the transfer of various medications into human milk, and the use of radiopharmaceuticals, the use of chemotherapeutic agents, and vaccines in breastfeeding mothers. This new and expanded reference has data on more than 1,300 drugs, syndromes, vaccines, herbals, and many other substances. The appendices are full of information on radioactive drugs and tests, over-the-counter drugs, and much more. New to this Edition: More than 200 new drugs, vaccines, herbals, and chemicals. Major updates to many existing drugs and other substances. New data on close contact restrictions following radioisotope use. Many new radiocontrast agents. Updated tables on birth control medications

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Very thorough (its a huge book)! am very conservative in my prescribing and rarely write for anything other than "probably safe", but this is very helpful in understanding the exact metabolism

and reasoning WHY a medication is categorized the way it is. This is something UpToDate and Epocrates falls short on. Sometimes when I have to write for other medications this can help determine how the age the child and frequency of the breast feeding can make the medication more safe.

I was really disappointed. The 2008 edition had both the lactation risk & the pregnancy risk. This edition has only the lactation risk. Doc Hale added a bunch of other seemingly pointless stuff I'll never use. Now I have to look in two places for the info I need.

This is really for Drs and nurses and lactation specialists, but you will probably find that like me they won't have it. I picked it up myself and found that the maternity hospital had given me a drug that was not good for lactating women. That find alone was worth every cent, I would probably get the online app next time though, it is easier to hold an iPad than a huge small print text book.

This book needs to be on every IBCLC, CNM, LM, NP, PA, RN and Family Practice Physician, Pediatrician, and OB/GYNs list of essential references. Should be in each office and appropriate hospital unit.

Scientific, up to date comprehensive information about medications (prescription and over the counter) and whether they're dangerous when you're breastfeeding. The book lists safe alternatives for what you're currently taking or might need to take in the future, so you can avoid unsafe medications. I found one section really interestingâ€”it lists the medications that pass through breast milk safely but taste bad to your baby. I never would have considered that babies could have difficulty breastfeeding due to the taste! This is a great book to get if you want to go all-out and understand what you're doing.

Thank you Doctor Hale for the wonderful book. We (Maternity) purchased several copies for different departments in our hospital who care for breastfeeding mothers or babies. We donated them to the Emergency Department, Operating Room, Anesthesiologists, Pediatric Floor, Ambulatory Surgery Department, Pharmacy, etc. We did this so the staff who care for moms or babies would have access to correct, evidence based information about medications that are safe or not safe. It is so sad when I learn from a mom that she has been instructed to "pump and dump" her milk due to medication, that would have been safe to nurse with. Dr. Hale and his dedicated

colleagues have devoted their professional careers to researching and providing this information about breastmilk and medication. I feel that any professional who writes prescriptions for breastfeeding moms or babies should have access to this book. This especially applies to Urgent Care Facilities who often see patients who don't have time to contact a lactation consultant, OB provider, or Pediatrician and may make a decision without the correct information. The book is easy to use and gives evidence as to why each medication is safe or not safe, including timing of doses and feedings and age of the baby.

Best book on the market relating to breastfeeding and medication. Every doctor and pharmacist should have a copy.

This book is vital to the work that I do and it was like Christmas when it arrived! A MUST have for EVERY health care provider!

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