



## Necitumumab

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## Drug Levels and Effects

### Summary of Use during Lactation

No information is available on the clinical use of necitumumab during breastfeeding. Because necitumumab is a large protein molecule with a molecular weight of 145,000 Da, the amount in milk is likely to be very low.[1] It is also likely to be partially destroyed in the infant's gastrointestinal tract and absorption by the infant is probably minimal.[2] Waiting for at least 2 weeks postpartum to resume therapy may minimize transfer to the infant.[3] However, the manufacturer recommends that women receiving necitumumab should not breastfeed during therapy or for 3 months following the final dose.

### 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.

### Effects on Lactation and Breastmilk

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

### References

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## Substance Identification

### Substance Name

Necitumumab

### CAS Registry Number

906805-06-9

### Drug Class

Breast Feeding

Lactation

Milk, Human

Antibodies, Monoclonal

Antineoplastic Agents