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### Leucovorin

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CASRN: 58-05-9

# **Drug Levels and Effects**

# **Summary of Use during Lactation**

Leucovorin (folinic acid; 5-formyltetrahydrofolic acid) and its levo- isomer, levoleucovorin, are folic acid derivatives that are normal components of breastmilk.[1,2] Because leucovorin and levoleucovorin are used as therapeutic agents with potentially toxic drugs such as fluorouracil or methotrexate, the LactMed record of the drug it is used with should be consulted.

### **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**

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**

Leucovorin

### **CAS Registry Number**

58-05-9

### **Drug Class**

**Breast Feeding** 

Lactation

Milk, Human

Antidotes

Vitamin B Complex

Vitamins