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Dear Colleagues,

Pharmacotherapy is a very powerful tool to improve the medical outcome of pregnant women and their newborns. As little as 5% of available drugs have been properly monitored, tested and labeled for use in pregnancy and lactation. Pregnant or lactating women are usually excluded from clinical trials, while product development for diseases specific to pregnancy or perinatal indications is very limited. However, in real life, pregnant women get ill, and ill women get pregnant. Pregnant or lactating women and their caregivers are left in the dark about risks they cannot oversee, and they need to take responsibility for this uncertainty.









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