

Breastfeeding

Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome in itself is not a contraindication to breastfeeding. Nonetheless, the beta-blocker treatment prescribed to prevent the vascular complications of the disease in the mother is not generally recommended during breastfeeding as it is transmitted to the newborn through breast milk.



WHAT IS RECOMMENDED

- Discuss breastfeeding on a case-by-case basis with the attending obstetric and paediatric teams.



WHAT YOU SHOULD NOT DO

- Interrupt the mother's beta-blocker treatment with celiprolol in order to allow for breastfeeding.
- Consider breastfeeding when the newborn has displayed side-effects of beta-blocker use (including bradycardia, respiratory distress and/or hypoglycemia).
- Consider breastfeeding when maternal complications, related to vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, have been reported in the peripartum period.