

PATIENT CARD FOR VALPROATE

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(VALPARIN®ALKALETS 200/500 , VALPARIN®CHRONO 200/300/500, VALPARIN®200, DEPAKOTE®, DEPAKOTE®XR)

Contraception and Pregnancy: WHAT YOU MUST KNOW[#]

- ✓ Valproate is an effective medicine for epilepsy and bipolar disorder.
- ✓ Valproate can seriously harm an unborn child when taken during pregnancy.
- ✓ Always use effective contraception without interruption during the entire duration of treatment with valproate.
- ✓ Remember to visit your specialist regularly- at least annually.



[#] This applies to all girls and women using valproate and who could become pregnant.

Contraception and Pregnancy: WHAT YOU MUST DO[#]

- ✓ Use contraception for the whole time you are taking valproate. Do not stop using the contraception at any time.
- ✓ Schedule an urgent appointment with your doctor if you think you are pregnant.
- ✓ Consult your doctor promptly if you are thinking about having a baby and do not stop using contraception until you have done so.
- ✓ Never stop taking valproate unless your doctor tells you because your illness may become worse.



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Keep this card safe so you always know what to do.*

More information about valproate use can be found at www.sanofi.in