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Amendments to the *Prescribing Medicines in Pregnancy* Booklet

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The 4th edition of the Prescribing Medicines in Pregnancy Booklet was published on the TGA Web site in December 1999.

The category of the following medicines has since been changed.

The Australian categorisation of medicines can be located on the inside of this booklet.

| Generic name | TGA category | Classification |
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| atorvastatin | D | Cardiovascular System |
| cerivastatin | D | Cardiovascular System |
| fluvastatin | D | Cardiovascular System |
| pravastatin | D | Cardiovascular System |
| simvastatin | D | Cardiovascular System |
| paroxetine | D | Central Nervous System |
| lamotrigine | D | Central Nervous System |
| sodium phosphate [³² P] | X | Diagnostic agents |
| Technetium [^{99m} Tc] bicisate dihydrochloride kit | C | Diagnostic agents |
| [^{99m} Tc] exametazine injection | C | Diagnostic agents |

The categorisation of these medicines is intended to provide information that can assist women and health professionals when planning treatment of women who are pregnant or those who may become pregnant. The categorisation is based on currently available evidence and changes may be necessary from time to time as new evidence becomes available and is analysed. The information in this booklet must be considered along with other relevant material, for example length of exposure, other alternative treatment or consequence of no treatment, when making individual decisions.

This guide is not intended to replace careful consideration and discussion of individual circumstances by women and doctors and does not constitute medical advice.

Any woman concerned about the suitability of a particular medicine during pregnancy should discuss this with her treating doctor.