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Amount Of These Valproate Medications For Seizures, Epilepsy, Bipolar Disorder, And Migraines Taken During First Trimester Of Pregnancy Is A Factor

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SUMMARY: We have some new relevant medical findings to report from this recent article, "Dose dependence of fetal malformations associated with valproate", published by the *Neurology* medical journal, which reports on an analysis of data in the Australian Register of Antiepileptic Drugs in Pregnancy collected from 1999 to 2012.

For this study, several Australian medical researchers looked at the specific type of fetal malformation, or birth defect, in offspring exposed to valproate drugs such as Depacon in utero. In turn, the each specific birth defect type was correlated with the dose of valproate taken by the mother in the first trimester of pregnancy.

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