

Women take drugs during pregnancy. However, only a small percentage of these drugs has been studied with pregnant women. This exposes these women and their future children to health risks.

WHY SHOULD WE CONDUCT RESEARCH WITH PREGNANT WOMEN?



1. FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF PREGNANT WOMEN AND THEIR FUTURE CHILDREN

Pregnancy causes physiological changes that distinguish pregnant women from other women. It is necessary to responsibly include pregnant women in research in order to learn which interventions are safe and effective for them and their future children, and thus protect their health and well-being.

2. FOR FAIR TREATMENT

Pregnant women get sick, and sick women get pregnant. Pregnant women have the same right as everyone else to benefit from the results of research and to access safe and effective interventions and evidence-based medicine during all stages of pregnancy.

HOW ARE PREGNANT WOMEN WHO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH PROTECTED?

Research ethics committees review all the studies before they start and monitor studies to their completion to safeguard the well-being and safety of pregnant women and their future children.



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