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Ibuprofen taken in the first three months of pregnancy may harm the future fertility of baby girls - Fertility Network UK responds

Aileen Feeney, chief executive of national patient charity Fertility Network UK said: 'Infertility is a devastating disease which can cause depression, suicidal feelings, relationship breakdown, social isolation and damage career prospects and finances; that's why it's vital to protect an individual's future fertility. This latest research suggesting ibuprofen taken in the first three months of pregnancy may harm the future fertility of female babies is of great concern and highlights the pressing need for more research in order to understand whether the negative impact on egg follicles seen in this study leads to impaired fertility in adult females.'

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1. Fertility Network UK provides practical and emotional support, authoritative information and advice for anyone experiencing fertility issues. The charity works to raise the profile and understanding of fertility issues and to push for timely and equitable provision of fertility treatment throughout the UK.
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