# Possible Side Effects of Cytarabine (Table Version Date: August 5, 2022)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Cytarabine, more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * Anemia which may cause tiredness, or may require blood transfusions
* Bruising, bleeding
* Infection, especially when white blood cell count is low
* Blood clot
* Diarrhea, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, pain in belly
* Sores in mouth, throat, and GI tract including rectum which may cause difficulty swallowing or pain
* Rash
* Fever
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| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Cytarabine, from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Heart failure which may cause shortness of breath, swelling of ankles, cough or tiredness
* Abnormal heartbeat which may cause fainting
* Chest pain
* Allergic reaction which may cause rash, low blood pressure, wheezing, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or throat
* Damage to the lungs which may cause shortness of breath
* Severe blood infection
* Liver damage which may cause yellowing of skin or eyes
* Kidney damage which may cause swelling, may require dialysis
* Difficulty emptying the bladder or urinating
* Numbness and tingling of the arms and legs
* Muscle pain
* Dizziness, confusion
* Headache
* Flu-like syndrome with fever, bone pain, rash, redness of eyes, or chest pain
* Swelling and redness of the eye
* Infection at injection site which may cause rash
* Hives
* Itching
* Hair loss
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| **RARE, AND SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Cytarabine, 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * Brain damage, Posterior Reversible Encephalopathy syndrome, which may cause headache, seizure, blindness
* Difficulty speaking, trouble standing or walking, coma
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