# Possible Side Effects of Gemcitabine (Table Version Date: January 18, 2023)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**  In 100 people receiving Gemcitabine, more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * Swelling of arms, legs, and body * Shortness of breath * Infection, including in the blood, especially when white blood cell count is low * Bruising, bleeding * Anemia which may cause tiredness, or may require a blood transfusion * Blood in urine * Sores in mouth which may cause difficulty swallowing * Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, constipation * Flu-like symptoms of muscle pain, fever, headache, chills and fatigue * Burning, numbness, tingling or "pins and needles" feelings * Rash, itching * Hair loss |

| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**  In 100 people receiving Gemcitabine, from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Allergic reaction which may cause rash, low blood pressure, wheezing, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or throat * Damage to the lungs and/or fluid around the lungs, which may cause shortness of breath, cough * Weight loss, loss of appetite * Drowsiness |

| **RARE, AND SERIOUS**  In 100 people receiving Gemcitabine, 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * Heart failure or heart attack which may cause chest pain, shortness of breath, swelling of ankles, and tiredness * Brain damage, posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES), which may cause headache, seizure, blindness * Stroke which may cause paralysis, weakness, headache * Liver damage which may cause yellowing of eyes and skin, swelling * Capillary Leak syndrome which may cause fluid in the organs, low blood pressure, shortness of breath, swelling of ankles * Hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS) which may cause anemia, kidney problems, tiredness, bruising, swelling, or may require dialysis |