# 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
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| **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
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| **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
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