# Possible Side Effects of Doxorubicin, Bleomycin, Vinblastine, and Dacarbazine, (ABVD) (Table Version Date: March 17, 2022)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Doxorubicin, Bleomycin, Vinblastine, and Dacarbazine (ABVD), more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * High blood pressure which may cause headaches, dizziness, blurred vision
* Infection, possibly in the blood, especially when white blood cell count is low
* Anemia which may cause tiredness, or may require transfusion
* Bruising, bleeding
* Nausea, vomiting, loss of appetite, constipation
* Sores in mouth or throat which may cause difficulty swallowing
* Muscle weakness
* Pain in the bones, jaw, and at the tumor
* Fever, chills (occurring within 3-6 hours after administration)
* Red colored urine, saliva, or sweat
* Tiredness
* Changes in skin or skin color, including darkening or thickening of skin, dark stripes on skin, skin rash or colored bumps on finger tips, palms, or elbows and toes, swelling of fingers, skin redness or tenderness, or itching
* Hair loss
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| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Doxorubicin, Bleomycin, Vinblastine, and Dacarbazine (ABVD), from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Heart failure or heart attack which may cause shortness of breath, swelling of ankles, cough or tiredness which may occur years after the dose
* Abnormal heartbeat
* Seizure
* Blood clot which may cause swelling, pain, shortness of breath
* Swelling of the brain
* Damage to the lungs which may cause shortness of breath when combined with radiation
* Scarring of the lungs which may cause shortness of breath
* Kidney damage which may require dialysis
* Blood in urine
* SIADH – syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone which may cause swelling that may be accompanied by confusion, and dizziness
* Blockage or swelling of the bowels
* Sores in the stomach or rectum
* Diarrhea, dehydration, belly pain
* Allergic reaction which may cause rash, low blood pressure, wheezing, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or throat
* Abnormal menstrual period or early menopause
* Damage to sperm
* Depression
* Feeling of “pins and needles” in face or body
* Numbness and tingling in fingers and toes
* Confusion
* Headache
* Weight loss
* Damage to the skin which may cause pain
* Blisters on the skin or mouth, peeling skin
* Changes to the nails
* Skin rash, hives, facial flushing
* Swelling, pain, and redness at the site of the medication injection or area of previous radiation
* Darkening of the nail beds or skin or hands and feet
* Darkening of gums
* Flu-like symptoms including fever, chills, body aches, muscle pain
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| **RARE, AND SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Doxorubicin, Bleomycin, Vinblastine, and Dacarbazine (ABVD), 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * Stroke, which may cause paralysis, weakness
* Damage to the liver which may cause belly pain, bleeding, yellowing of eyes and skin, swelling
* Difficulty with hearing and balance particularly when used with platinum chemotherapy
* A new cancer (including leukemia) resulting from treatment of a prior cancer
* Increased risk of sunburn
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