# Possible Side Effects of Docetaxel (Table Version Date: June 14, 2024)

| **COMMON, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Docetaxel, more than 20 and up to 100 may have: |
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| * Shortness of breath
* Infection, possibly in the blood, especially when white blood cell count is low
* Anemia which may require blood transfusions
* Swelling of the body, arms, or legs
* Vomiting, diarrhea, nausea
* Sores in mouth which may cause difficulty swallowing
* Allergic reaction which may cause rash, low blood pressure, wheezing, shortness of breath, swelling of the face or throat
* Confusion
* Tiredness, weakness
* Fever
* Numbness, pain, and tingling of the arms, legs, fingers, and/or toes
* Pain
* Watering eyes
* Hair loss
* Change in nails
* Rash, itching
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| **OCCASIONAL, SOME MAY BE SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Docetaxel, from 4 to 20 may have: |
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| * Low blood pressure which may cause feeling faint
* Abnormal heartbeat which may cause fainting
* Chest pain
* Bruising, bleeding
* Liver damage, which may cause yellowing of eyes and skin, swelling
* A tear or hole in the bowels which may cause pain or that may require surgery
* Internal bleeding which may cause belly pain, black tarry stool, blood in vomit
* Loss of appetite, constipation, bloating, belly pain, weight loss
* Muscle weakness, spasms, twitching, swelling
* Change in taste
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| **RARE, AND SERIOUS**In 100 people receiving Docetaxel, 3 or fewer may have: |
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| * A new cancer (including leukemia) resulting from treatment
* Tumor lysis syndrome which may cause kidney damage which may require dialysis
* Swelling of the retina (possible vision loss)
* Stevens-Johnson syndrome which may cause severe skin rash with blisters and peeling which can involve mouth and other parts of the body
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Patients should be aware that Docetaxel may cause them to become intoxicated from the alcohol it contains. Patients should avoid driving, operating machinery, or performing other activities that are dangerous within one to two hours after the infusion of Docetaxel. In addition, some medications, such as pain relievers and sleep aids, may interact with the alcohol in the Docetaxel infusion and worsen the intoxicating effects.