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# Taxol (Paclitaxel)

Drug is an irritant. Given intravenously.

Nausea and vomiting are minimal.

Appetite is decreased due to taste alterations..

Hair loss can be severe and usually occurs within 14 days following your treatment. Hair loss is reversible upon completion of chemotherapy.

Hypersensitivity reactions were noted when the drug was first being used. All patients are now pre-medicated to prevent any reactions.

May cause redness along vein, mouth tenderness, mild diarrhea, muscle pain and joint pain.

May cause numbness, tingling, or burning in your fingers or toes, it is important that you let your physician know if this occurs.

If muscle and bone pain are not relieved by Tylenol ask your physician for a Rx.

Affects all blood cells - white blood cells (WBC), red blood (RBC), and platelets (PLTS) within 10 days of being given and it takes 14 days to recover.

Excreted through the liver.



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