

Pregnant rats were administered oxaliplatin at less than one-tenth the recommended human dose based on body surface area during gestation days 1-5 (pre-implantation) and days 11-16 (post-implantation). Oxaliplatin caused developmental mortality (increased early resorptions) when administered on days 6-10 and 11-16 and adversely affected fetal growth (decreased fetal weight, delayed ossification) when administered on days 6-10. Administration of oxaliplatin to male and female rats prior to mating resulted in 97% post-implantation loss in animals that received approximately one-seventh the recommended human dose based on the body surface area.

8.3 Nursing Mothers:

It is not known whether Oxaliplatin Injection or its derivatives are excreted in human milk. Because many drugs are excreted in human milk and because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants from Oxaliplatin Injection, a decision should be made whether to discontinue nursing or discontinue the drug, taking into account the importance of the drug to the mother.

8.4 Pediatric Use:

The effectiveness of oxaliplatin in children has not been established. Oxaliplatin has been tested in 2 Phase I and 2 Phase II trials in 159 patients ages 7 months to 22 years with solid tumors (see below) and no significant activity observed. In Phase II (see below), patients received Oxaliplatin Injection 100 mg/m² on days 1, 8, and 15 every 4 weeks (1 cycle), for a maximum of 6 cycles. In 43 patients with refractory or relapsed malignant solid tumors, mainly neuroblastoma and osteosarcoma, twenty eight patients were enrolled in the Phase I study received oxaliplatin at 6 dose levels starting at 40 mg/m² with escalation to 110 mg/m². The dose limiting toxicity (DLT) was sensory neuropathy at 110 mg/m². In Phase II, patients received oxaliplatin at a dose of 90 mg/m² intravenously in the first portion of the study. At this dose, parosmia (60%, G3/4: 7%), fever (40%, G3/4: 7%), and thrombocytopenia (40%, G3/4: 7%) were the main adverse reactions. No responses were observed.

In a second Phase I study, oxaliplatin was administered to 26 pediatric patients as a 2-hour intravenous infusion on day 1 every 3 weeks (1 cycle) at 5 dose levels starting at 100 mg/m² with escalation to 160 mg/m² for a maximum of 6 cycles. In 26 patients with refractory or relapsed malignant solid tumors, mainly neuroblastoma and osteosarcoma, twenty eight patients were enrolled in the Phase I study received oxaliplatin at 6 dose levels starting at 40 mg/m² with escalation to 110 mg/m². The dose limiting toxicity (DLT) was sensory neuropathy at 110 mg/m². In Phase II, patients received oxaliplatin at a dose of 90 mg/m² intravenously in the first portion of the study. At this dose, parosmia (60%, G3/4: 7%), fever (40%, G3/4: 7%), and thrombocytopenia (40%, G3/4: 7%) were the main adverse reactions. No responses were observed.

The pharmacokinetic parameters of ultrafiltrable platinum have been evaluated in 105 pediatric patients during the first cycle. The mean clearance in pediatric patients was 4.1 mL/min. The mean half-life was 11.1 hours. The inter-patient variability of platinum clearance in pediatric cancer patients was 41%. Mean platinum pharmacokinetic parameters in ultrafiltrate were $Cl_{CR} = 0.75 \pm 0.24$ mL/min, $AUC_{0-24} = 27.32 \pm 5.07$ mg·h/mL, and $C_{24} = 1.57$ mg/mL. The mean Cl_{CR} was 0.75 mL/min, AUC_{0-24} was 27.32 mg·h/mL, and C_{24} was 1.57 mg/mL. Cl_{CR} was 0.74 ± 2.52 mL/min, and AUC_{0-24} was 5.34 mg·h/mL at 130 mg/m² of oxaliplatin.

8.5 Geriatric Use:

No significant effect of age on the clearance of ultrafiltrable platinum has been observed.

In the adjuvant therapy colon cancer randomized clinical trial, (see Clinical Studies (14)) 723 patients in the Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin were <65 years and 400 patients were ≥65 years. A descriptive subgroup analysis demonstrated that the improvement in DFS for the Oxaliplatin Injection combination arm compared to the infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin arm was similar across age groups. The effect of Oxaliplatin Injection in patients ≥65 years of age was not conclusive. Insufficient subgroup sizes prevented analysis by race. Patients ≥65 years receiving the Oxaliplatin Injection combination therapy received more grade 3-4 gastrointestinal toxicities than patients <65 years of age (45% versus 39%).

In the previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer randomized clinical trial (see Clinical Studies (14)) of Oxaliplatin Injection, 160 patients treated with Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin were <65 years and 99 patients were ≥65 years. The same efficacy improvements in response rate, time to tumor progression, and overall survival were observed in the ≥65 year old patients as in the overall study population. In the previously treated for advanced colorectal cancer randomized clinical trial (see Clinical Studies (14)) of Oxaliplatin Injection, 95 patients treated with Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin were <65 years and 55 patients were ≥65 years. The rates of overall adverse reactions, including Grade 3 and 4 events, were similar across and within arms in the different age groups in all studies. The incidence of Grade 3 dehydration, hypokalemia, leukopenia, fatigue and syncope were higher in patients ≥65 years old. No adjustment to starting dose was required in patients ≥65 years old.

8.6 Patients with Renal Impairment:

The safety and effectiveness of the combination of Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin in patients with renal impairment have not been established. The combination of Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin should be used with caution in patients with preexisting renal impairment since the primary route of platinum elimination is renal. Clearance of ultrafiltrable platinum is decreased in patients with mild, moderate, and severe renal impairment. Plasma platinum levels should be monitored across ultrafiltrate levels and clinical safety and effectiveness has not been established (see Adverse Reactions (6.1) and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)).

10 OVERDOSAGE:

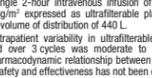
There is no known antidote for Oxaliplatin Injection overdose. In addition to thrombocytopenia, the anticipated complications of an Oxaliplatin Injection overdose include hypersensitivity reaction, myelosuppression, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and neurotoxicity.

Several cases of overdose have been reported with Oxaliplatin Injection. Adverse reactions observed were Grade 4 thrombocytopenia (<25,000/mm³) without any bleeding, anemia, sensory neuropathy (including parosmia, dysesthesia, paresthesia, laryngospasm) in the absence of progressive disease or unacceptable disorders such as nausea, vomiting, stomatitis, flatulence, abdomen enlarged and Grade 4 intestinal obstruction, Grade 4 dehydration, dyspnea, wheezing, chest pain, respiratory failure, severe bradycardia and death.

Patients with Oxaliplatin Injection overdose should be monitored, and supportive treatment should be administered. The maximum dose of oxaliplatin that has been administered in a single infusion is 825 mg.

11 DESCRIPTION

Oxaliplatin Injection is an antineoplastic agent with the molecular formula C₁₂H₁₆N₂O₆ and the chemical name cis-(1R,2R)-1,2-cyclohexanediamine-N,N'-bis(oxalato)-2-amine. Oxaliplatin is an organoplatin complex of platinum(II) coordinated to two oxalate ligands and a leaving group.



The molecular weight is 397.3. Oxaliplatin is practically insoluble in water at 6 mg/mL, very slightly soluble in methanol, and slightly soluble in ethanol and acetone.

Oxaliplatin Injection is a clear, colorless to pale yellow, sterile, preservative-free, aqueous solution for intravenous use. Oxaliplatin Injection is available in 50 mg/mL and 100 mg/mL single-use vials. 50 mg/10 mL vial contains 5 mg of Oxaliplatin and 10 mL of Water for Injection, USP. 100 mg/20 mL vial contains 5 mg of Oxaliplatin and 20 mL of Water for Injection, USP.

12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

Oxaliplatin undergoes nonenzymatic conversion in physiologic solutions to active derivatives with displacement of the labile oxalate ligand. Several transient reactive species are formed, including monoquo and diaquo DACH platinum, which covalently bind with macromolecules. Both inter- and intra-strand DNA crosslinks are formed. Oxaliplatin is also a topoisomerase II inhibitor. Oxaliplatin binds to DNA and forms adducts with the N2 positions of two adjacent guanines (GG), adjacent adenine-guanines (AG), and guanines separated by an intervening nucleotide (NG). These crosslinks inhibit DNA replication and transcription. Oxaliplatin is also cytotoxic in *in vitro* studies have shown antitumor activity of oxaliplatin against colon carcinoma. In combination with 5-fluorouracil, oxaliplatin exhibits *in vitro* and *in vivo* antiproliferative activity greater than either compound alone in several tumor models (HT-29 colon, GI (mammary), and U937 (leukemia)).

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

The reactive oxaliplatin derivatives are present as a fraction of the unbound platinum in plasma ultrafiltrate. The decline of ultrafiltrable platinum levels following oxaliplatin administration is biphasic, with a relatively short distribution phase ($t_{1/2\alpha}$: 0.43 hours) and $t_{1/2\beta}$: 16.8 hours) and a long terminal elimination phase ($t_{1/2\gamma}$: 391 hours). Pharmacokinetic parameters obtained after a single intravenous dose of 130 mg/m² of Oxaliplatin Injection at a dose of 85 mg/m² expressed as ultrafiltrable platinum were C_{24} of 0.814 mg/mL and volume of distribution of 440 L.

Interpatient and inpatient variability in ultrafiltrable platinum exposure (AUC_{0-24}) assessed by the combination of Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin, respectively. A pharmacodynamic relationship between plasma ultrafiltrate levels and clinical safety and effectiveness has not been established.

Distribution

At the end of a 2-hour infusion of Oxaliplatin Injection, approximately 15% of the administered platinum is present in the systemic circulation. The remaining 85% is rapidly distributed into tissues or eliminated in the urine. In patients, plasma protein binding of platinum is stable and is greater than 90%. The main binding proteins are albumin and gamma globulin. Platinum also binds irreversibly and noncovalently (approximately 2-fold) in erythrocytes, where it appears to have an accumulative activity. No platinum accumulation was observed in plasma ultrafiltrate following 85 mg/m² every two weeks.

Metabolism

Oxaliplatin undergoes rapid and extensive nonenzymatic biotransformation. The major route of platinum elimination is renal excretion. At five days after a single 2-hour infusion of Oxaliplatin Injection, urinary elimination accounted for about 54% of the platinum eliminated, with fecal excretion accounting for only about 2%. Platinum was cleared from plasma at a rate (10–17 L/h) that was similar to or exceeded the average human glomerular filtration rate (GFR: 7.5 L/h). There was no significant effect of renal function on the clearance of ultrafiltrable platinum. The renal clearance of ultrafiltrable platinum is significantly correlated with GFR.

Pharmacokinetics in Special Populations

Pediatric

(See Use in Specific Patient Populations (8.4)).

Renal Impairment

The AUC_{0-24} of platinum in the plasma ultrafiltrate increases as renal function decreases. The AUC_{0-24} of platinum in patients with mild (creatinine clearance, Cl_{CR} : 50 to 80 mL/min), moderate (Cl_{CR} : 30 to <50 mL/min) and severe renal (Cl_{CR} : <30 mL/min) impairment is increased by about 60, 140, and 190%, respectively, compared to patients with normal renal function (Cl_{CR} : >80 mL/min) (see Adverse Reactions (6), Drug Interactions (7) and Use in Specific Patient Populations (8.6)).

Drug-Drug Interactions

No pharmacokinetic interaction between 85 mg/m² of Oxaliplatin Injection and infusional 5-fluorouracil has been observed in patients treated every 2 weeks, but increases of 5-fluorouracil plasma concentrations by approximately 20% have been observed with doses of 130 mg/m² of Oxaliplatin Injection administered every 3 weeks. *In vitro*, platinum was not displaced from plasma proteins by the following medications: erythromycin, salicylate, sodium valproate, griseofulvin, and theophylline. *In vivo*, oxaliplatin did not inhibit nor does it inhibit human cytochromes P450 isoenzymes. No P450-mediated drug-drug interactions are therefore anticipated in patients.

Since platinum-containing species are eliminated primarily through the kidney, clearance of these products may be decreased by co-administration of potentially nephrotoxic compounds, although this has not been specifically studied.

13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Long-term animal studies have not been performed to evaluate the carcinogenic potential of oxaliplatin. Oxaliplatin was not mutagenic to bacteria (Ames test) but was mutagenic to mammalian cells *in vitro* (L5178Y mouse lymphoma assay). Oxaliplatin was clastogenic both *in vitro* (chromosome aberration in human lymphocytes) and *in vivo* (mouse bone marrow micronucleus assay). In a fertility study, male and female mice treated at 0.5, 1, 2 mg/kg/day for five days every 21 days for a total of three cycles prior to mating with females that received two cycles of oxaliplatin on the same schedule. A dose of 2 mg/kg/day less than one-seventh the recommended human dose on a body surface area basis did not affect reproductive performance, but caused developmental mortality and increased early resorptions, decreased live fetuses, decreased live weight (decreased fetal weight).

Testicular damage, characterized by decreased spermatogenesis, hypoplasia, and atrophy, was observed in dogs administered oxaliplatin at 0.75 mg/kg/day 5 days every 28 days for three cycles. A no effect level was not identified. This daily dose is approximately one-sixth of the recommended human dose on a body surface area basis.

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

14.1 Combination Adjuvant Therapy with Oxaliplatin Injection and Infusional 5-Fluorouracil/Leucovorin in Patients with Colon Cancer

In a multicenter, multicourse, open-label, randomized controlled study, the efficacy and safety of Oxaliplatin Injection in combination with infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin to infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin alone in patients with stage III colon carcinoma who had undergone complete resection of the primary tumor. The primary objective of the study was to compare the 3-year disease-free survival (DFS) in patients receiving Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin to those receiving 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin alone. Patients were treated for a total of 6 months (i.e., 12 cycles). A total of 2246 patients were randomized: 1123 patients in the Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin (N=1123) and 1123 patients in the infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin (N=1123) arms. The median age was 62 years (range 45 to 75 years of age). In the Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin group, 50% were male, 50% were female. The median tumor size was 4.5 cm (range 1.0 to 11.0 cm). The median time to randomization complete resection of the primary tumor without gross or microscopic evidence of residual disease. Patients had to have had no prior chemotherapy, immunotherapy or radiotherapy, and no evidence of distant recurrence, or metastatic colorectal cancer. Testicular damage, characterized by decreased spermatogenesis, hypoplasia, and atrophy, was observed in dogs administered oxaliplatin at 0.75 mg/kg/day 5 days every 28 days for three cycles. A no effect level was not identified. This daily dose is approximately one-sixth of the recommended human dose on a body surface area basis.

Table 15 shows the dosing regimens for the two arms of the study.

Table 15: Dosing Regimens in Adjuvant Therapy Study

Treatment Arm	Dose	Regimen
Oxaliplatin + 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)	Day 1: Oxaliplatin Injection: 85 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion) + 5-FU 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 5-FU 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion) Day 2: LV 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 5-FU 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion)	every 2 weeks (12 cycles)
5-FU/FLV (N=1123)	Day 1: LV 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 5-FU 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion) Day 2: LV 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 5-FU 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion)	every 2 weeks (12 cycles)

Table 16 and Table 17 show the baseline characteristics and dosing of the patient population entered into this study. The baseline characteristics were well balanced between the two arms of the study.

Table 16 - Patient Characteristics in Adjuvant Therapy Study

	Oxaliplatin Injection + Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)	Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)
Sex: Male (%)	50.0	52.4
Female (%)	49.9	47.6
Median age (years)	61.0	60.0
<65 years of age (%)	64.0	66.2
≥65 years of age (%)	35.6	33.8
Karnofsky Performance Status (KPS) (%)		
100	52.2	53.9
90	4.4	3.3
80	13.2	11.9
70	13.2	11.9
≤60	0.6	0.4
Other including ocular	5.6	5.4
Colon injury	31.9	32.8
Stigmoid	41.6	40.9
Recto sigmoid	12.9	10.9
Other including rectum	0.6	0.9
Other including rectum		
Yes	17.9	19.3
No	82.1	80.7
Yes	6.9	6.9
No	93.1	93.1
Stage at Randomization (%)		
I (N=3, N=0, M=0)	0.1	39.9
II (N=1, N=1, M=4)	0.6	59.3
III (N=2, N=5, M=1)	4.0	4.8
Staging - T (%)		
T1	0.5	0.7
T2	4.5	4.8
T3	19.0	75.9
T4	76.0	18.5
Staging - N (%)		
N0	40.2	39.9
N1	39.4	39.4
N2	20.4	20.7
N3	0.0	0.0
Staging - M (%)		
M1	0.4	0.8

Table 17 - Dosing in Adjuvant Therapy Study

	Oxaliplatin Injection + Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)	Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)
Median Relative Dose Intensity (%)	84.4	97.7
Oxaliplatin Injection	80.5	N/A
Median Number of Cycles	12	12
Median Number of cycles With Oxaliplatin Injection	11	N/A

The following tables and figures summarize the disease-free survival (DFS) results in the overall randomized population of patients with stage III colon cancer who were followed on an ITT analysis. The median duration of follow-up was approximately 77 months.

Table 18 - Summary of DFS Analysis ITT Analysis

Parameter	Oxaliplatin Injection + Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)	Infusional 5-FU/FLV (N=1123)
N	1123	1123
Number of events - relapse or death (%)	245 (21.8)	283(25.2)
Disease-free survival % 95% CI**	73.3 [70.7, 76.0]	67.4 [64.6, 70.2]
Hazard ratio [95% CI]**	1.0 [0.80, 0.93]	
Stratified Logrank test		p=0.003
Stage (Dukes) C		
Number of events - relapse or death (%)	872	675
Disease-free survival % 95% CI**	66.6 [62.7, 70.0]	57.1 [55.2, 62.7]
Hazard ratio [95% CI]**	1.0 [0.70, 0.93]	
Logrank test		p=0.002, 1.14

Data cut off for disease free survival: 1 June 2006

**Disease-free survival is defined as time to relapse or death.

*A hazard ratio of less than 1.00 favors Oxaliplatin Injection + Infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin

†Data cut off for overall survival: 16 January 2007

14.2 Combination Therapy with Oxaliplatin Injection and 5-Fluorouracil/Leucovorin in Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer

A North American multicenter, open-label, randomized controlled study was sponsored by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) as an intergroup study led by the North Central Cancer Treatment Group (NCCTG). The study had 7 arms at different times during its conduct, four of which were closed due to either changes in the standard of care, toxicity, or simplification. During the study, the control arm was compared to irinotecan plus 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin. The results reported below compare the efficacy and safety of two treatment regimens: Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin to irinotecan plus 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin and a combination of Oxaliplatin Injection + infusional 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin to irinotecan plus 5-fluorouracil/leucovorin. Patients had to be at least 18 years of age, have known locally advanced or metastatic colorectal cancer, previously received adjuvant chemotherapy for colorectal cancer, and had no evidence of distant recurrence, or metastatic colorectal cancer not curable by surgery or amenable to radiation therapy with curative intent, histologically proven, colorectal adenocarcinoma, measurable or evaluable disease on EOC performance status 0, 1, or 2. Patients had to have granulocyte count $>1.5 \times 10^9/L$, platelets $>100 \times 10^9/L$, hemoglobin >8 g/dL, creatinine <1.5 mg/dL, total bilirubin <1.5 mg/dL, AST $<5 \times$ ULN and alkaline phosphatase $<2.5 \times$ ULN. Patients were randomized to receive adjuvant therapy for resected Stage II or III disease without recurrence within 12 months. The patients were stratified for ECOG performance status (0, 1 vs. 2), prior adjuvant chemotherapy (yes, no), and chemotherapy (yes, no) locally advanced or metastatic colorectal cancer. Patients were stratified for ECOG performance status (0, 1 vs. 2). Patients had to have granulocyte count $>1.5 \times 10^9/L$, platelets $>100 \times 10^9/L$, hemoglobin >8 g/dL, creatinine <1.5 mg/dL, total bilirubin <1.5 mg/dL, AST $<5 \times$ ULN and alkaline phosphatase $<2.5 \times$ ULN. Patients were randomized to receive adjuvant therapy for resected Stage II or III disease without recurrence within 12 months. The patients were stratified for ECOG performance status (0, 1 vs. 2), prior adjuvant chemotherapy (yes, no), and chemotherapy (yes, no) locally advanced or metastatic colorectal cancer. Patients were stratified for ECOG performance status (0, 1 vs. 2). Patients had to have granulocyte count $>1.5 \times 10^9/L$, platelets $>100 \times 10^9/L$, hemoglobin >8 g/dL, creatinine <1.5 mg/dL, total bilirubin <1.5 mg/dL, AST $<5 \times$ ULN and alkaline phosphatase $<2.5 \times$ ULN. 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PATIENT INFORMATION

Oxaliplatin Injection

Read this information carefully as you start using Oxaliplatin Injection. It will help you learn more about Oxaliplatin Injection. This information does not take the place of talking to your doctor about your medical condition or your treatment. Ask your doctor about any questions you have.

What is the most important information I should know about Oxaliplatin Injection?

Oxaliplatin Injection can cause serious allergic reactions.

In people who get severe allergic reactions while taking platinum medicines, death can occur.

Get emergency help right away if you:

- suddenly have trouble breathing.
- feel like your throat is closing up.

Call your doctor right away if you have any signs of allergic reaction:

- rash
- flushed face
- hives
- itching
- swelling of your lips or tongue
- sudden cough
- dizziness or feel faint
- sweating
- chest pain

See “What are the possible side effects of Oxaliplatin Injection” for information on other serious side effects.

What is Oxaliplatin Injection?

Oxaliplatin Injection is an anti-cancer (chemotherapy) medicine that is used with other anti-cancer medicines called 5-fluorouracil (5-FU) and leucovorin (LV) to treat adults with:

- stage III colon cancer after surgery to remove the tumor
- advanced colon or rectal cancer (colo-rectal cancer).

Oxaliplatin Injection with infusional 5-FU and LV was shown to lower the chance of colon cancer returning when given to patients with stage III colon cancer after surgery to remove the tumor. Oxaliplatin Injection also increases survival in patients with stage III colon cancer. Oxaliplatin Injection with infusional 5-FU and LV was also shown to increase survival, shrink tumors and delay growth of tumors in some patients with advanced colorectal cancer.

It is not known if Oxaliplatin Injection works in children.

Who should not use Oxaliplatin Injection?

Do not use Oxaliplatin Injection if you are allergic to any of the ingredients in Oxaliplatin Injection or other medicines that contain platinum. Cisplatin (Platinol®) and carboplatin (Paraplatin®) are other chemotherapy medicines that also contain platinum. See the end of this leaflet for a list of ingredients in Oxaliplatin Injection.

What should I tell my doctor before treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection?

Tell your doctor about all your medical conditions including, if you are:

- pregnant or planning to become pregnant. Oxaliplatin Injection may harm your unborn child. You should avoid becoming pregnant while taking Oxaliplatin Injection. Talk with your doctor about how to avoid pregnancy.
- breast feeding or plan to breast feed. We do not know if Oxaliplatin Injection can pass through your milk and if it can harm your baby. You will need to decide whether to stop breast feeding or not to take Oxaliplatin Injection.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and non-prescription medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements. Oxaliplatin Injection may affect how other medicines work in your body.

Know the medicines you take. Keep a list of them and show it to your doctor and pharmacist when you get a new medicine.

How is Oxaliplatin Injection given to me?

Oxaliplatin Injection is given to you through your veins (blood vessels).

- Your doctor will prescribe Oxaliplatin Injection in an amount that is right for you.
- Your doctor will treat you with several medicines for your cancer.
- It is very important that you do exactly what your doctor and nurse have taught you to do.
- Some medicines may be given to you before Oxaliplatin Injection to help prevent nausea and vomiting.
- Oxaliplatin Injection is given with 2 other chemotherapy medicines, leucovorin and 5-FU.
- Each treatment course is given to you over 2 days. You will receive Oxaliplatin Injection on the first day only.
- There are usually 14 days between each chemotherapy treatment course.

Treatment Day 1:

Oxaliplatin Injection and leucovorin are given through a thin plastic tube put into a vein (intravenous infusion or I.V.) and given for 2 hours. You will be watched by a healthcare provider during this time. Right after the Oxaliplatin Injection and leucovorin are finished, 2 doses of 5-FU will be given. The first dose is given right away into your I.V. tube. The second dose will be given into your I.V. tube over the next 22 hours, using a pump device.

Treatment Day 2:

You will not get Oxaliplatin Injection on Day 2. Leucovorin and 5-FU will be given the same way as on Day 1.

During your treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection:

- It is important for you to keep all appointments. Call your doctor if you must miss an appointment. There may be special instructions for you.
- Your doctor may change how often you get Oxaliplatin Injection, how much you get, or how long the infusion will take.
- You and your doctor will discuss how many times you will get Oxaliplatin Injection.

The 5-FU will be given through your I.V. with a pump. If you have any problems with the pump or the tube, call your doctor, your nurse, or the person who is responsible for your pump. Do not let anyone other than a healthcare provider touch your infusion pump or tubing.

What activities should I avoid while on treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection?

- Avoid cold temperatures and cold objects. Cover your skin if you must go outside in cold temperatures.
- Do not drink cold drinks or use ice cubes in drinks.
- Do not put ice or ice packs on your body.

See the end of this leaflet, (“How can I reduce the side effects caused by cold temperatures?”) for more information.

Talk to your doctor and nurse about your level of activity during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection. Follow their instructions.

What are the possible side effects of Oxaliplatin Injection?

Oxaliplatin Injection can cause serious side effects:

- **Serious allergic reactions.** See “What is the most important information I should know about Oxaliplatin Injection?”
- **Nerve problems (peripheral neuropathy).** Oxaliplatin Injection can affect how your nerves work and make you feel. Tell your doctor right away if you get any signs of nerve problems listed below:
 - Very sensitive to cold temperatures and cold objects
 - Trouble breathing, swallowing, or saying words, jaw tightness, odd feeling in your tongue, or chest pressure
 - Pain, tingling, burning (pins and needles, numb feeling) in your hands, feet, or around your mouth or throat, which may cause problems walking or performing activities of daily living.

The first signs of nerve problems may happen with the first treatment. The nerve problems



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can also start up to 2 days after treatment. If you develop nerve problems, the amount of Oxaliplatin Injection in your next treatment may be changed or Oxaliplatin Injection treatment may be stopped.

For information on ways to lessen or help with the nerve problems, see the end of this leaflet, "How can I reduce the side effects caused by cold temperatures?"

- **Lung problems (interstitial fibrosis).**
Tell your doctor if you get a dry cough and have trouble breathing (shortness of breath) before your next treatment. These may be signs of a serious lung disease.
- **Liver problems (hepatotoxicity).**
Your doctor will do blood tests to watch for this.
- **Harm to an unborn baby. Oxaliplatin Injection may cause harm to your unborn baby.** See "What should I tell my doctor before treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection?"

Common side effects with Oxaliplatin Injection include:

- decreased blood counts: Oxaliplatin Injection can cause a decrease in neutrophils (a type of white blood cells important in fighting in bacterial infections), red blood cells (blood cells that carry oxygen to the tissues), and platelets (important for clotting and to control bleeding).

Call your doctor right away if you get any of the following signs of infection:

- Fever (temperature of 100.5 F or greater)
- Chills or shivering
- Cough that brings up mucus
- Burning or pain on urination
- Pain on swallowing
- Sore throat
- Redness or swelling at intravenous site
- Tell your doctor about any bleeding or bruising
- nausea
- vomiting
- diarrhea
- constipation
- mouth sores
- stomach pain
- decreased appetite
- tiredness
- eyesight (visual) problems. Tell your doctor about any eyesight changes
- injection site reactions. Reactions may include redness, swelling, pain, tissue damage
- hair loss (alopecia)

Call your doctor if you get any of the following:

- Vomiting that does not go away
- Frequent, loose, watery bowel movements (Diarrhea)
- Signs of dehydration (too much water loss)
 - tiredness
 - thirst
 - dry mouth
 - lightheadedness (dizziness)
 - decreased urination

Tell your doctor if you have any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the possible side effects of Oxaliplatin Injection. For more information, ask your doctor or pharmacist.

Call your doctor for medical advice about side effects. You may report side effects to FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088.

How can I reduce the side effects caused by cold temperatures?

- Cover yourself with a blanket while you are getting your Oxaliplatin Injection infusion.
- Do not breathe deeply when exposed to cold air.
- Wear warm clothing in cold weather at all times. Cover your mouth and nose with a scarf or a pull-down cap (ski cap) to warm the air that goes to your lungs.
- Wear gloves when taking things from the freezer or refrigerator.
- Drink fluids warm or at room temperature.
- Always drink through a straw.
- **Do not** use ice chips if you have nausea or mouth sores. Ask your nurse about what you can use.

- Be aware that most metals are cold to touch, especially in the winter. These include your car door and mailbox. Wear gloves to touch cold objects.
- Do not run the air-conditioning at high levels in the house or in the car in hot weather.
- If your body gets cold, warm-up the affected part. If your hands get cold, wash them with warm water.
- Always let your nurse and doctor know **before** your next treatment how well you did since your last visit.

This list is not complete and your healthcare provider may have other useful tips for helping you with these side effects.

General information about the safe and effective use of Oxaliplatin Injection

Medicines are sometimes prescribed for conditions that are not mentioned in patient information leaflets.

This leaflet summarizes the most important information about Oxaliplatin Injection. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for information about Oxaliplatin Injection that is written for health professionals.

What are the ingredients in Oxaliplatin Injection?

Active ingredient: oxaliplatin

Inactive ingredient: water for injection

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