

HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESCRIBING INFORMATION

These highlights do not include all the information needed to use OXALIPLATIN INJECTION safely and effectively. See full prescribing information for OXALIPLATIN INJECTION.

OXALIPLATIN injection, for intravenous use
Initial U.S. Approval: 2002

WARNING: ANAPHYLACTIC REACTIONS

See full prescribing information for complete boxed warning. Anaphylactic reactions to oxaliplatin have been reported, and may occur within minutes of oxaliplatin administration. Epinephrine, corticosteroids, and antihistamines have been employed to alleviate symptoms. (5.1)

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Oxaliplatin Injection is a platinum-based drug used in combination with infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin, which is indicated for:

- adjuvant treatment of Stage III colon cancer in patients who have undergone complete resection of the primary tumor. (1)
- treatment of advanced colorectal cancer. (1)

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Administer Oxaliplatin Injection in combination with fluorouracil/leucovorin every 2 weeks. (2.1):
 - **Day 1:** Oxaliplatin Injection 85 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 250 to 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection and leucovorin 200 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 5% Dextrose Injection both given over 120 minutes at the same time in separate bags using a Y-line, followed by fluorouracil 400 mg/m² intravenous bolus given over 2 to 4 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 600 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection (recommended) as a 22-hour continuous infusion.
 - **Day 2:** Leucovorin 200 mg/m² intravenous infusion over 120 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 400 mg/m² intravenous bolus given over 2 to 4 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 600 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection (recommended) as a 22-hour continuous infusion.
- Reduce the dose of Oxaliplatin Injection to 75 mg/m² (adjuvant setting) or 65 mg/m² (advanced colorectal cancer) (2.2):
 - if there are persistent Grade 2 neurosensory events that do not resolve.
 - after recovery from Grade 3/4 gastrointestinal toxicities (despite prophylactic treatment) or Grade 4 neutropenia or febrile neutropenia or Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia. Delay next dose until neutrophils $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$ and platelets $\geq 75 \times 10^9/L$.

- For patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance < 30 mL/min), the initial recommended dose is 65 mg/m². (2.2)
- Discontinue Oxaliplatin Injection if there are persistent Grade 3 neurosensory events. (2.2)
- Never prepare a final dilution with a sodium chloride solution or other chloride-containing solutions. (2.3)

DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Injection: 50 mg/10 mL and 100 mg/20 mL in single-dose vials. (3)

CONTRAINDICATIONS

- Known allergy to oxaliplatin or other platinum compounds. (4, 5.1)

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- **Allergic Reactions:** Monitor for development of rash, urticaria, erythema, pruritus, bronchospasm, and hypotension. (5.1)
- **Neuropathy:** Reduce the dose or discontinue Oxaliplatin Injection if necessary. (5.2)
- **Severe Neutropenia:** Delay Oxaliplatin Injection until neutrophils are $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$. Withhold Oxaliplatin Injection for sepsis. (5.3)
- **Pulmonary Toxicity:** May need to discontinue Oxaliplatin Injection until interstitial lung disease or pulmonary fibrosis are excluded. (5.4)
- **Hepatotoxicity:** Monitor liver function tests. (5.5)
- **Cardiovascular Toxicity:** Correct hypokalemia or hypomagnesemia prior to initiating Oxaliplatin Injection. (5.6)
- **Rhabdomyolysis:** Discontinue Oxaliplatin Injection if rhabdomyolysis occurs. (5.7)
- **Embryo-Fetal Toxicity:** Can cause fetal harm. Advise pregnant women of the potential risk to a fetus. Advise males and females of reproductive potential to use an effective method of contraception. (5.8, 8.1, 8.3)

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Most common adverse reactions (incidence $\geq 40\%$) were peripheral sensory neuropathy, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, anemia, nausea, increase in transaminases and alkaline phosphatase, diarrhea, emesis, fatigue and stomatitis (6.1)

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc. at 1-888-838-2872 or FDA at 1-800-FDA-1088 or www.fda.gov/medwatch.

USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

- Lactation: Advise not to breastfeed. (8.2)

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WARNING: ANAPHYLACTIC REACTIONS

Anaphylactic reactions to oxaliplatin have been reported, and may occur within minutes of oxaliplatin administration. Epinephrine, corticosteroids, and antihistamines have been employed to alleviate symptoms of anaphylaxis [see *Warnings and Precautions (5.1)*].

1 INDICATIONS AND USAGE

Oxaliplatin Injection, used in combination with infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin, is indicated for:

- adjuvant treatment of Stage III colon cancer in patients who have undergone complete resection of the primary tumor.
- treatment of advanced colorectal cancer.

2 DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION

Administer Oxaliplatin Injection under the supervision of a qualified physician experienced in the use of cancer chemotherapeutic agents. Appropriate management of therapy and complications is possible only when adequate diagnostic and treatment facilities are readily available.

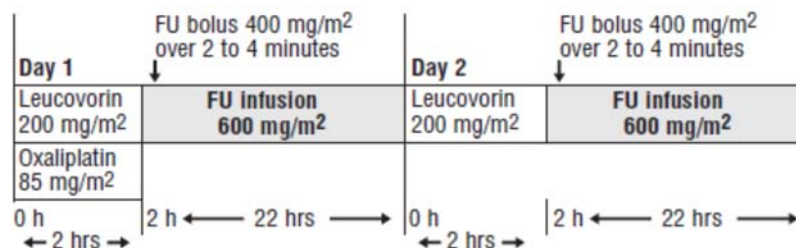
2.1 Dosage

Administer Oxaliplatin Injection in combination with fluorouracil/leucovorin every 2 weeks. For advanced disease, treatment is recommended until disease progression or unacceptable toxicity. For adjuvant use, treatment is recommended for a total of 6 months (12 cycles):

Day 1: Oxaliplatin Injection 85 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 250 to 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection and leucovorin 200 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 5% Dextrose Injection both given over 120 minutes at the same time in separate bags using a Y-line, followed by fluorouracil 400 mg/m² intravenous bolus given over 2 to 4 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 600 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection (recommended) as a 22-hour continuous infusion.

Day 2: Leucovorin 200 mg/m² intravenous infusion over 120 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 400 mg/m² intravenous bolus given over 2 to 4 minutes, followed by fluorouracil 600 mg/m² intravenous infusion in 500 mL 5% Dextrose Injection (recommended) as a 22-hour continuous infusion.

Figure 1



The administration of Oxaliplatin Injection does not require prehydration. Premedication with antiemetics, including 5-HT₃ blockers with or without dexamethasone, is recommended.

For information on fluorouracil and leucovorin, see the respective package inserts.

2.2 Dose Modification Recommendations

Prior to subsequent therapy cycles, evaluate patients for clinical toxicities and recommended laboratory tests [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.9)*]. Prolongation of infusion time for Oxaliplatin Injection from 2 hours to 6 hours may mitigate acute toxicities. The infusion times for fluorouracil and leucovorin do not need to be changed.

Adjuvant Therapy in Patients with Stage III Colon Cancer

Neuropathy and other toxicities were graded using the NCI CTC scale version 1 [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*].

For patients who experience persistent Grade 2 neurosensory events that do not resolve, consider a dose reduction of Oxaliplatin Injection to 75 mg/m². For patients with persistent Grade 3 neurosensory events, consider discontinuing therapy. The infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin regimen need not be altered.

A dose reduction of Oxaliplatin Injection to 75 mg/m² and infusional fluorouracil to 300 mg/m² bolus and 500 mg/m² 22 hour infusion is recommended for patients after recovery from Grade 3/4 gastrointestinal (despite prophylactic treatment), or Grade 4 neutropenia, or febrile neutropenia, or Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia. Delay the next dose until: neutrophils $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$ and platelets $\geq 75 \times 10^9/L$.

Dose Modifications in Therapy in Previously Untreated and Previously Treated Patients with Advanced Colorectal Cancer

Neuropathy was graded using a study-specific neurotoxicity scale [*see Warnings and Precautions (5.2)*]. Other toxicities were graded by the NCI CTC, Version 2.0.

For patients who experience persistent Grade 2 neurosensory events that do not resolve, consider a dose reduction of Oxaliplatin Injection to 65 mg/m². For patients with persistent Grade 3 neurosensory events, consider discontinuing therapy. The fluorouracil/leucovorin regimen need not be altered.

A dose reduction of Oxaliplatin Injection to 65 mg/m² and fluorouracil by 20% (300 mg/m² bolus and 500 mg/m² 22-hour infusion) is recommended for patients after recovery from Grade 3/4 gastrointestinal (despite prophylactic treatment), or Grade 4 neutropenia, or febrile neutropenia, or Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia. Delay the next dose until: neutrophils $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$ and platelets $\geq 75 \times 10^9/L$.

Dose Modifications in Therapy for Patients with Renal Impairment

In patients with normal renal function or mild to moderate renal impairment, the recommended dose of Oxaliplatin Injection is 85 mg/m². In patients with severe renal impairment, the recommended Oxaliplatin Injection dose is 65 mg/m² [*see Use in Specific Populations (8.6) and Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

2.3 Preparation of Infusion Solution

Oxaliplatin Injection is a cytotoxic drug. Follow applicable special handling and disposal procedures.¹

Do not freeze and protect from light the concentrated solution.

A final dilution must never be performed with a sodium chloride solution or other chloride-containing solutions.

The solution must be further diluted in an infusion solution of 250 to 500 mL of 5% Dextrose Injection.

After dilution with 250 to 500 mL of 5% Dextrose Injection, the shelf life is **6 hours at room temperature [20°C to 25°C (68°F to 77°F)] or up to 24 hours under refrigeration [2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F)]**. After final dilution, protection from light is not required.

Oxaliplatin Injection is incompatible in solution with alkaline medications or media (such as basic solutions of fluorouracil) and must not be mixed with these or administered simultaneously through the same infusion line. **The infusion line should be flushed with 5% Dextrose Injection prior to administration of any concomitant medication.**

Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration and discarded if present.

Needles or intravenous administration sets containing aluminum parts that may come in contact with Oxaliplatin Injection should not be used for the preparation or mixing of the drug. Aluminum has been reported to cause degradation of platinum compounds.

Discard unused portion.

3 DOSAGE FORMS AND STRENGTHS

Injection: 50 mg/10 mL (5 mg/mL) and 100 mg/20 mL (5 mg/mL) as a sterile, preservative-free, aqueous solution in single-dose vials.

4 CONTRAINDICATIONS

Oxaliplatin Injection should not be administered to patients with a history of known allergy to oxaliplatin or other platinum compounds [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.1)].

5 WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

5.1 Allergic Reactions

Grade 3/4 hypersensitivity, including anaphylactic/anaphylactoid reactions, to oxaliplatin has been observed in 2% to 3% of colon cancer patients. These allergic reactions which can be fatal, can occur within minutes of administration and at any cycle, and were similar in nature and severity to those reported with other platinum-containing compounds, such as rash, urticaria, erythema, pruritus, and, rarely, bronchospasm and hypotension. The symptoms associated with hypersensitivity reactions reported in the previously untreated patients were urticaria, pruritus, flushing of the face, diarrhea associated with oxaliplatin infusion, shortness of breath, bronchospasm, diaphoresis, chest pains, hypotension, disorientation and syncope. These reactions are usually managed with standard epinephrine, corticosteroid, antihistamine therapy, and require discontinuation of therapy. Rechallenge is contraindicated in these patients [see *Contraindications* (4)]. Drug-related deaths associated with platinum compounds from anaphylaxis have been reported.

5.2 Neurologic Toxicity

Neuropathy

Oxaliplatin is associated with two types of neuropathy

An acute, reversible, primarily peripheral, sensory neuropathy that is of early onset, occurring within hours or one to two days of dosing, that resolves within 14 days, and that frequently recurs with further dosing. The symptoms may be precipitated or exacerbated by exposure to cold temperature or cold objects and they usually present as transient paresthesia, dysesthesia and hypoesthesia in the hands, feet, perioral area, or throat. Jaw spasm, abnormal tongue sensation, dysarthria, eye pain, and a feeling of chest pressure have also been observed. The acute, reversible pattern of sensory neuropathy was observed in about 56% of study patients who received oxaliplatin with fluorouracil/leucovorin. In any individual cycle acute neurotoxicity was observed in approximately 30% of patients. In adjuvant patients the median cycle of onset for Grade 3 peripheral sensory neuropathy was 9 in the previously treated patients the median number of cycles administered on the oxaliplatin with fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm was 6.

An acute syndrome of pharyngolaryngeal dysesthesia seen in 1% to 2% (Grade 3/4) of patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer, and the previously treated patients, is characterized by subjective sensations of dysphagia or dyspnea, without any laryngospasm or bronchospasm (no stridor or wheezing). Ice (mucositis prophylaxis) should be avoided during the infusion of oxaliplatin because cold temperature can exacerbate acute neurological symptoms.

A persistent (> 14 days), primarily peripheral, sensory neuropathy that is usually characterized by paresthesias, dysesthesias, hypoesthesias, but may also include deficits in proprioception that can interfere with daily activities (e.g., writing, buttoning, swallowing, and difficulty walking from impaired proprioception). These forms of neuropathy occurred in 48% of the study patients receiving oxaliplatin with fluorouracil/leucovorin. Persistent neuropathy can occur without any prior acute neuropathy event. The majority of the patients (80%) who developed Grade 3 persistent

neuropathy progressed from prior Grade 1 or 2 events. These symptoms may improve in some patients upon discontinuation of oxaliplatin.

In the adjuvant colon cancer trial, neuropathy was graded using a prelisted module derived from the Neuro-Sensory section of the National Cancer Institute Common Toxicity Criteria (NCI CTC) scale, Version 1, as follows:

Table 1: NCI CTC Grading for Neuropathy in Adjuvant Patients

Grade	Definition
Grade 0	No change or none
Grade 1	Mild paresthesias, loss of deep tendon reflexes
Grade 2	Mild or moderate objective sensory loss, moderate paresthesias
Grade 3	Severe objective sensory loss or paresthesias that interfere with function
Grade 4	Not applicable

Peripheral sensory neuropathy was reported in adjuvant patients treated with the oxaliplatin combination with a frequency of 92% (all grades) and 13% (Grade 3). At the 28-day follow-up after the last treatment cycle, 60% of all patients had any grade (Grade 1=40%, Grade 2=16%, Grade 3=5%) peripheral sensory neuropathy decreasing to 39% at 6 months follow-up (Grade 1=31%, Grade 2=7%, Grade 3=1%) and 21% at 18 months of follow-up (Grade 1=17%, Grade 2=3%, Grade 3=1%).

In the advanced colorectal cancer studies, neuropathy was graded using a study-specific neurotoxicity scale, which was different from the NCI CTC scale, Version 2.0 (see below).

Table 2: Grading Scale for Paresthesias/Dysesthesias in Advanced Colorectal Cancer Patients

Grade	Definition
Grade 1	Resolved and did not interfere with functioning
Grade 2	Interfered with function but not daily activities
Grade 3	Pain or functional impairment that interfered with daily activities
Grade 4	Persistent impairment that is disabling or life-threatening

Overall, neuropathy was reported in patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer in 82% (all grades) and 19% (Grade 3/4), and in the previously treated patients in 74% (all grades) and 7% (Grade 3/4) events. Information regarding reversibility of neuropathy was not available from the trial for patients who had not been previously treated for colorectal cancer.

Reversible Posterior Leukoencephalopathy Syndrome

Reversible Posterior Leukoencephalopathy Syndrome (RPLS, also known as PRES, Posterior Reversible Encephalopathy Syndrome) has been observed in clinical trials (< 0.1%) and postmarketing experience. Signs and symptoms of RPLS could be headache, altered mental functioning, seizures, abnormal vision from blurriness to blindness, associated or not with hypertension [see *Adverse Reactions* (6.2)]. Diagnosis of RPLS is based upon confirmation by brain imaging.

5.3 Severe Neutropenia

Grade 3 or 4 neutropenia occurred in 41 to 44% of patients with colorectal cancer treated with oxaliplatin in combination with fluorouracil (FU) and leucovorin compared to 5% with FU plus leucovorin alone. Sepsis, neutropenic sepsis and septic shock have been reported in patients treated with oxaliplatin, including fatal outcomes [see *Adverse Reactions* (6.1)].

Delay Oxaliplatin Injection until neutrophils are $\geq 1.5 \times 10^9/L$. Withhold Oxaliplatin Injection for sepsis or septic shock. Reduce the dose of Oxaliplatin Injection after recovery from Grade 4 neutropenia or febrile neutropenia [see *Dosage and Administration* ([2.2](#))].

5.4 Pulmonary Toxicity

Oxaliplatin has been associated with pulmonary fibrosis (< 1% of study patients), which may be fatal. The combined incidence of cough and dyspnea was 7.4% (any grade) and < 1% (Grade 3) with no Grade 4 events in the oxaliplatin plus infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm compared to 4.5% (any grade) and no Grade 3 and 0.1% Grade 4 events in the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin alone arm in adjuvant colon cancer patients. In this study, one patient died from eosinophilic pneumonia in the oxaliplatin combination arm. The combined incidence of cough, dyspnea and hypoxia was 43% (any grade) and 7% (Grade 3 and 4) in the oxaliplatin plus fluorouracil/leucovorin arm compared to 32% (any grade) and 5% (Grade 3 and 4) in the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin arm of unknown duration for patients with previously untreated colorectal cancer. In case of unexplained respiratory symptoms such as non-productive cough, dyspnea, crackles, or radiological pulmonary infiltrates, Oxaliplatin Injection should be discontinued until further pulmonary investigation excludes interstitial lung disease or pulmonary fibrosis.

5.5 Hepatotoxicity

Hepatotoxicity as evidenced in the adjuvant study by increase in transaminases (57% vs. 34%) and alkaline phosphatase (42% vs. 20%) was observed more commonly in the oxaliplatin combination arm than in the control arm. The incidence of increased bilirubin was similar in both arms. Changes noted on liver biopsies included: peliosis, nodular regenerative hyperplasia or sinusoidal alterations, perisinusoidal fibrosis, and veno-occlusive lesions. Hepatic vascular disorders should be considered, and if appropriate, should be investigated in case of abnormal liver function test results or portal hypertension which cannot be explained by liver metastases [see *Clinical Trials Experience* ([6.1](#))].

5.6 Cardiovascular Toxicity

QT prolongation and ventricular arrhythmias including fatal Torsade de Pointes have been reported in postmarketing experiences following oxaliplatin administration. ECG monitoring is recommended if therapy is initiated in patients with congestive heart failure, bradyarrhythmias, drugs known to prolong the QT interval, including Class Ia and III antiarrhythmics, and electrolyte abnormalities. Correct hypokalemia or hypomagnesemia prior to initiating Oxaliplatin Injection and monitor these electrolytes periodically during therapy. Avoid Oxaliplatin Injection in patients with congenital long QT syndrome [see *Adverse Reactions* ([6.2](#))].

5.7 Rhabdomyolysis

Rhabdomyolysis, including fatal cases, has been reported in patients treated with oxaliplatin. Discontinue Oxaliplatin Injection if any signs or symptoms of rhabdomyolysis occur [see *Adverse Reactions* ([6.2](#))].

5.8 Embryo-Fetal Toxicity

Based on findings from animal studies and its mechanism of action, Oxaliplatin Injection can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. The available human data do not establish the presence or absence of major birth defects or miscarriage related to the use of oxaliplatin. Reproductive toxicity studies demonstrated adverse effects on embryo-fetal development in rats at maternal doses that were below the recommended human dose based on body surface area. Advise pregnant women of the potential risk to a fetus.

Advise females of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection and for at least 9 months after the final dose. Advise males with female partners of reproductive potential to use effective contraception during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection and for 6 months after the final dose [see *Use in Specific Populations* ([8.1](#), [8.3](#))].

5.9 Recommended Laboratory Tests

Standard monitoring of the white blood cell count with differential, hemoglobin, platelet count, and blood chemistries (including ALT, AST, bilirubin and creatinine) is recommended before each Oxaliplatin Injection cycle [see *Dosage and Administration* (2)].

There have been reports while on study and from postmarketing surveillance of prolonged prothrombin time and INR occasionally associated with hemorrhage in patients who received oxaliplatin plus fluorouracil/leucovorin while on anticoagulants. Patients receiving Oxaliplatin Injection plus fluorouracil/leucovorin and requiring oral anticoagulants may require closer monitoring.

6 ADVERSE REACTIONS

The following serious adverse reactions are discussed in greater detail in other sections of the label:

- Anaphylaxis and Allergic reactions [see *Boxed Warning, Warnings and Precautions* (5.1)]
- Neuropathy [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.2)]
- Severe Neutropenia [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.3)]
- Pulmonary Toxicities [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.4)]
- Hepatotoxicity [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.5)]
- Cardiovascular Toxicities [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.6)]
- Rhabdomyolysis [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.7)]

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

More than 1100 patients with Stage II or III colon cancer and more than 4,000 patients with advanced colorectal cancer have been treated in clinical studies with oxaliplatin. The most common adverse reactions in patients with Stage II or III colon cancer receiving adjuvant therapy were peripheral sensory neuropathy, neutropenia, thrombocytopenia, anemia, nausea, increase in transaminases and alkaline phosphatase, diarrhea, emesis, fatigue and stomatitis. The most common adverse reactions in previously untreated and treated patients were peripheral sensory neuropathies, fatigue, neutropenia, nausea, emesis, and diarrhea [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5)].

Combination Adjuvant Therapy with Oxaliplatin and Infusional Fluorouracil/Leucovorin in Patients with Colon Cancer

One thousand one hundred and eight patients with Stage II or III colon cancer, who had undergone complete resection of the primary tumor, have been treated in a clinical study with oxaliplatin in combination with infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin [see *Clinical Studies* (14)]. The incidence of Grade 3 or 4 adverse reactions was 70% on the oxaliplatin combination arm, and 31% on the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. The adverse reactions in this trial are shown in the tables below. Discontinuation of treatment due to adverse reactions occurred in 15% of the patients receiving oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin. Both fluorouracil/leucovorin and oxaliplatin are associated with gastrointestinal or hematologic adverse reactions. When oxaliplatin is administered in combination with infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin, the incidence of these events is increased.

The incidence of death within 28 days of last treatment, regardless of causality, was 0.5% (n=6) in both the oxaliplatin combination and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arms, respectively. Deaths within 60 days from initiation of therapy were 0.3% (n=3) in both the oxaliplatin combination and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arms, respectively. On the oxaliplatin combination arm, 3 deaths were due to sepsis/neutropenic sepsis, 2 from intracerebral bleeding and one from eosinophilic pneumonia. On the fluorouracil/leucovorin arm, one death was due to suicide, 2 from Stevens-Johnson

syndrome (1 patient also had sepsis), 1 unknown cause, 1 anoxic cerebral infarction and 1 probable abdominal aorta rupture.

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the adjuvant therapy colon cancer clinical trial [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm for events with overall incidences $\geq 5\%$ and for NCI Grade 3/4 events with incidences $\geq 1\%$.

Table 3: Adverse Reactions Reported in Patients with Colon Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Treatment ($\geq 5\%$ of all patients and with $\geq 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events)

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 1108		FU/LV N = 1111	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Any Event	100	70	99	31
Allergy/Immunology				
Allergic Reaction	10	3	2	< 1
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain				
Fatigue	44	4	38	1
Abdominal Pain	18	1	17	2
Dermatology/Skin				
Skin Disorder	32	2	36	2
Injection Site Reaction ¹	11	3	10	3
Gastrointestinal				
Nausea	74	5	61	2
Diarrhea	56	11	48	7
Vomiting	47	6	24	1
Stomatitis	42	3	40	2
Anorexia	13	1	8	< 1
Fever/Infection				
Fever	27	1	12	1
Infection	25	4	25	3
Neurology				
Overall Peripheral Sensory Neuropathy	92	12	16	< 1

¹ Includes thrombosis related to the catheter

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the adjuvant therapy colon cancer clinical trial [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm for events with overall incidences $\geq 5\%$ but with incidences $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events.

Table 4: Adverse Reactions Reported in Patients with Colon Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Treatment ($\geq 5\%$ of all patients, but with $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events)

	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 1108	FU/LV N = 1111
Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)
Allergy/Immunology		
Rhinitis	6	8
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain/Ocular/Visual		
Epistaxis	16	12
Weight Increase	10	10
Conjunctivitis	9	15
Headache	7	5
Dyspnea	5	3
Pain	5	5
Lacrimation Abnormal	4	12
Dermatology/Skin		
Alopecia	30	28
Gastrointestinal		
Constipation	22	19
Taste Perversion	12	8
Dyspepsia	8	5
Metabolic		
Phosphate Alkaline increased	42	20
Neurology		
Sensory Disturbance	8	1

Although specific events can vary, the overall frequency of adverse reactions was similar in men and women and in patients < 65 and ≥ 65 years. However, the following Grade 3/4 events were more common in females: diarrhea, fatigue, granulocytopenia, nausea and vomiting. In patients ≥ 65 years old, the incidence of Grade 3/4 diarrhea and granulocytopenia was higher than in younger patients. Insufficient subgroup sizes prevented analysis of safety by race. The following additional adverse reactions were reported in $\geq 2\%$ and $< 5\%$ of the patients in the oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm (listed in decreasing order of frequency): pain, leukopenia, weight decrease, coughing.

The number of patients who developed secondary malignancies was similar; 62 in the oxaliplatin combination arm and 68 in the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. An exploratory analysis showed that the number of deaths due to secondary malignancies was 1.96% in the oxaliplatin combination arm and 0.98% in infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. In

addition, the number of cardiovascular deaths was 1.4% in the oxaliplatin combination arm as compared to 0.7% in the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. Clinical significance of these findings is unknown.

Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer

Two hundred and fifty-nine patients were treated in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm of the randomized trial in patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer [see *Clinical Studies (14)*]. The adverse reaction profile in this study was similar to that seen in other studies and the adverse reactions in this trial are shown in the tables below.

Both fluorouracil and oxaliplatin are associated with gastrointestinal and hematologic adverse reactions. When oxaliplatin is administered in combination with fluorouracil, the incidence of these events is increased.

The incidence of death within 30 days of treatment in the previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer study, regardless of causality, was 3% with the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination, 5% with irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin, and 3% with oxaliplatin plus irinotecan. Deaths within 60 days from initiation of therapy were 2.3% with the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination, 5.1% with irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin, and 3.1% with oxaliplatin plus irinotecan.

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer study [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm for events with overall incidences $\geq 5\%$ and for Grade 3/4 events with incidences $\geq 1\%$.

Table 5: Adverse Reactions Reported in Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer Clinical Trial ($\geq 5\%$ of all patients and with $\geq 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events)

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259		Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256		Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N = 258	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Any Event	99	82	98	70	99	76
Allergy/Immunology						
Hypersensitivity	12	2	5	0	6	1
Cardiovascular						
Thrombosis	6	5	6	6	3	3
Hypotension	5	3	6	3	4	3
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain/Ocular/Visual						
Fatigue	70	7	58	11	66	16
Abdominal Pain	29	8	31	7	39	10
Myalgia	14	2	6	0	9	2
Pain	7	1	5	1	6	1
Vision abnormal	5	0	2	1	6	1
Neuralgia	5	0	0	0	2	1
Dermatology/Skin						
Skin reaction – hand/foot	7	1	2	1	1	0

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259		Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256		Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N = 258	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Injection site reaction	6	0	1	0	4	1
Gastrointestinal						
Nausea	71	6	67	15	83	19
Diarrhea	56	12	65	29	76	25
Vomiting	41	4	43	13	64	23
Stomatitis	38	0	25	1	19	1
Anorexia	35	2	25	4	27	5
Constipation	32	4	27	2	21	2
Diarrhea-colostomy	13	2	16	7	16	3
Gastrointestinal NOS*	5	2	4	2	3	2
Hematology/Infection						
Infection normal ANC**	10	4	5	1	7	2
Infection low ANC**	8	8	12	11	9	8
Lymphopenia	6	2	4	1	5	2
Febrile neutropenia	4	4	15	14	12	11
Hepatic/Metabolic/Laboratory/Renal						
Hyperglycemia	14	2	11	3	12	3
Hypokalemia	11	3	7	4	6	2
Dehydration	9	5	16	11	14	7
Hypoalbuminemia	8	0	5	2	9	1
Hyponatremia	8	2	7	4	4	1
Urinary frequency	5	1	2	1	3	1
Neurology						
Overall Neuropathy	82	19	18	2	69	7
Paresthesias	77	18	16	2	62	6
Pharyngo-laryngeal dysesthesias	38	2	1	0	28	1
Neuro-sensory	12	1	2	0	9	1
Neuro NOS*	1	0	1	0	1	0
Pulmonary						
Cough	35	1	25	2	17	1
Dyspnea	18	7	14	3	11	2
Hiccups	5	1	2	0	3	2

* Not otherwise specified

** Absolute neutrophil count

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer study [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm for events with overall incidences $\geq 5\%$ but with incidences $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events.

Table 6: Adverse Reactions Reported in Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer Clinical Trial ($\geq 5\%$ of all patients but with $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events)

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259	Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256	Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N=258
	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)
Allergy/Immunology			
Rash	11	4	7
Rhinitis allergic	10	6	6
Cardiovascular			
Edema	15	13	10
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain/Ocular/Visual			
Headache	13	6	9
Weight Loss	11	9	11
Epistaxis	10	2	2
Tearing	9	1	2
Rigors	8	2	7
Dysphasia	5	3	3
Sweating	5	6	12
Arthralgia	5	5	8
Dermatology/Skin			
Alopecia	38	44	67
Flushing	7	2	5
Pruritis	6	4	2
Dry Skin	6	2	5
Gastrointestinal			
Taste perversion	14	6	8
Dyspepsia	12	7	5
Flatulence	9	6	5
Mouth Dryness	5	2	3
Hematology/Infection			
Fever normal ANC*	16	9	9
Hepatic/Metabolic/Laboratory/Renal			
Hypocalcemia	7	5	4
Elevated Creatinine	4	4	5

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259	Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256	Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N=258
	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)
Neurology			
Insomnia	13	9	11
Depression	9	5	7
Dizziness	8	6	10
Anxiety	5	2	6

* Absolute neutrophil count

Adverse reactions were similar in men and women and in patients < 65 and ≥ 65 years, but older patients may have been more susceptible to diarrhea, dehydration, hypokalemia, leukopenia, fatigue and syncope. The following additional adverse reactions, at least possibly related to treatment and potentially important, were reported in ≥ 2% and < 5% of the patients in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm (listed in decreasing order of frequency): metabolic, pneumonitis, catheter infection, vertigo, prothrombin time, pulmonary, rectal bleeding, dysuria, nail changes, chest pain, rectal pain, syncope, hypertension, hypoxia, unknown infection, bone pain, pigmentation changes, and urticaria.

Previously Treated Patients with Advanced Colorectal Cancer

Four hundred and fifty patients (about 150 receiving the combination of oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin) were studied in a randomized trial in patients with refractory and relapsed colorectal cancer [see *Clinical Studies (14)*]. The adverse reaction profile in this study was similar to that seen in other studies and the adverse reactions in this trial are shown in the tables below.

Thirteen percent of patients in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm and 18% in the fluorouracil/leucovorin arm of the previously treated study had to discontinue treatment because of adverse effects related to gastrointestinal, or hematologic adverse reactions, or neuropathies. Both fluorouracil and oxaliplatin are associated with gastrointestinal and hematologic adverse reactions. When oxaliplatin is administered in combination with fluorouracil, the incidence of these events is increased.

The incidence of death within 30 days of treatment in the previously treated study, regardless of causality, was 5% with the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination, 8% with oxaliplatin alone, and 7% with fluorouracil/leucovorin. Of the 7 deaths that occurred on the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm within 30 days of stopping treatment, 3 may have been treatment related, associated with gastrointestinal bleeding or dehydration.

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the previously treated study [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and in decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm for events with overall incidences ≥ 5% and for Grade 3/4 events with incidences ≥ 1%. This table does not include hematologic and blood chemistry abnormalities; these are shown separately below.

Table 7: Adverse Reactions Reported in Previously Treated Colorectal Cancer Clinical Trial (≥ 5% of all patients and with ≥ 1% NCI Grade 3/4 events)

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	FU/LV (N = 142)		Oxaliplatin (N = 153)		Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 150)	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Any Event	98	41	100	46	99	73
Cardiovascular						
Dyspnea	11	2	13	7	20	4
Coughing	9	0	11	0	19	1
Edema	13	1	10	1	15	1
Thromboembolism	4	2	2	1	9	8
Chest Pain	4	1	5	1	8	1
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain						
Fatigue	52	6	61	9	68	7
Back Pain	16	4	11	0	19	3
Pain	9	3	14	3	15	2
Dermatology/Skin						
Injection Site Reaction	5	1	9	0	10	3
Gastrointestinal						
Diarrhea	44	3	46	4	67	11
Nausea	59	4	64	4	65	11
Vomiting	27	4	37	4	40	9
Stomatitis	32	3	14	0	37	3
Abdominal Pain	31	5	31	7	33	4
Anorexia	20	1	20	2	29	3
Gastroesophageal Reflux	3	0	1	0	5	2
Hematology/Infection						
Fever	23	1	25	1	29	1
Febrile Neutropenia	1	1	0	0	6	6
Hepatic/Metabolic/Laboratory/Renal						
Hypokalemia	3	1	3	2	9	4
Dehydration	6	4	5	3	8	3
Neurology						
Neuropathy	17	0	76	7	74	7
Acute	10	0	65	5	56	2
Persistent	9	0	43	3	48	6

The following table provides adverse reactions reported in the previously treated study [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] by body system and in decreasing order of frequency in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm for events with overall incidences $\geq 5\%$ but with incidences $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events.

Table 8: Adverse Reactions Reported in Previously Treated Colorectal Cancer Clinical Trial ($\geq 5\%$ of all patients but with $< 1\%$ NCI Grade 3/4 events)

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	FU/LV (N = 142)	Oxaliplatin (N = 153)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 150)
	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)
Allergy/Immunology			
Rhinitis	4	6	15
Allergic Reaction	1	3	10
Rash	5	5	9
Cardiovascular			
Peripheral Edema	11	5	10
Constitutional Symptoms/Pain/Ocular/Visual			
Headache	8	13	17
Arthralgia	10	7	10
Epistaxis	1	2	9
Abnormal Lacrimation	6	1	7
Rigors	6	9	7
Dermatology/Skin			
Hand-Foot Syndrome	13	1	11
Flushing	2	3	10
Alopecia	3	3	7
Gastrointestinal			
Constipation	23	31	32
Dyspepsia	10	7	14
Taste Perversion	1	5	13
Mucositis	10	2	7
Flatulence	6	3	5
Hepatic/Metabolic/Laboratory/Renal			
Hematuria	4	0	6
Dysuria	1	1	6
Neurology			
Dizziness	8	7	13
Insomnia	4	11	9
Pulmonary			
Upper Resp Tract Infection	4	7	10

Adverse reaction (WHO/Pref)	FU/LV (N = 142)	Oxaliplatin (N = 153)	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 150)
	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)	All Grades (%)
Pharyngitis	10	2	9
Hiccup	0	2	5

Adverse reactions were similar in men and women and in patients < 65 and ≥ 65 years, but older patients may have been more susceptible to dehydration, diarrhea, hypokalemia and fatigue. The following additional adverse reactions, at least possibly related to treatment and potentially important, were reported in ≥ 2% and < 5% of the patients in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm (listed in decreasing order of frequency): anxiety, myalgia, erythematous rash, increased sweating, conjunctivitis, weight decrease, dry mouth, rectal hemorrhage, depression, ataxia, ascites, hemorrhoids, muscle weakness, nervousness, tachycardia, abnormal micturition frequency, dry skin, pruritus, hemoptysis, purpura, vaginal hemorrhage, melena, somnolence, pneumonia, proctitis, involuntary muscle contractions, intestinal obstruction, gingivitis, tenesmus, hot flashes, enlarged abdomen, urinary incontinence.

Hematologic Changes

The following tables list the hematologic changes occurring in ≥ 5% of patients, based on laboratory values and NCI grade, with the exception of those events occurring in adjuvant patients and anemia in the patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer, respectively, which are based on AE reporting and NCI grade alone.

Table 9: Adverse Hematologic Reactions in Patients with Colon Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Therapy (≥ 5% of patients)

Hematology Parameter	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 1108)		FU/LV (N = 1111)	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Anemia	76	1	67	< 1
Neutropenia	79	41	40	5
Thrombocytopenia	77	2	19	< 1

Table 10: Adverse Hematologic Reactions in Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer (≥ 5% of patients)

Hematology Parameter	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259		Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256		Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N = 258	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Anemia	27	3	28	4	25	3
Leukopenia	85	20	84	23	76	24

	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259		Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256		Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N = 258	
Hematology Parameter	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Neutropenia	81	53	77	44	71	36
Thrombocytopenia	71	5	26	2	44	4

Table 11: Adverse Hematologic Reactions in Previously Treated Patients (≥ 5% of patients)

	FU/LV (N = 142)		Oxaliplatin (N = 153)		Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 150)	
Hematology Parameter	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Anemia	68	2	64	1	81	2
Leukopenia	34	1	13	0	76	19
Neutropenia	25	5	7	0	73	44
Thrombocytopenia	20	0	30	3	64	4

Thrombocytopenia and Bleeding

Thrombocytopenia was frequently reported with the combination of oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin. The incidence of all hemorrhagic events in the adjuvant and previously treated patients was higher on the oxaliplatin combination arm compared to the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. These events included gastrointestinal bleeding, hematuria, and epistaxis. In the adjuvant trial, two patients died from intracerebral hemorrhages.

The incidence of Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia was 2% in adjuvant patients with colon cancer. In patients treated for advanced colorectal cancer the incidence of Grade 3/4 thrombocytopenia was 3% to 5%, and the incidence of these events was greater for the combination of oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin over the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin or fluorouracil/leucovorin control groups. Grade 3/4 gastrointestinal bleeding was reported in 0.2% of adjuvant patients receiving oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin. In the previously untreated patients, the incidence of epistaxis was 10% in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin arm, and 2% and 1%, respectively, in the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin or irinotecan plus oxaliplatin arms.

Neutropenia

Neutropenia was frequently observed with the combination of oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin, with Grade 3 and 4 events reported in 29% and 12% of adjuvant patients with colon cancer, respectively. In the adjuvant trial, 3 patients died from sepsis/neutropenic sepsis. Grade 3 and 4 events were reported in 35% and 18% of the patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer, respectively. Grade 3 and 4 events were reported in 27% and 17% of previously treated patients, respectively. In adjuvant patients the incidence of either febrile neutropenia (0.7%) or documented infection with concomitant Grade 3/4 neutropenia (1.1%) was 1.8% in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin arm. The incidence of

febrile neutropenia in the patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer was 15% (3% of cycles) in the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin arm and 4% (less than 1% of cycles) in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm. Additionally, in this same population, infection with Grade 3 or 4 neutropenia was 12% in the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin, and 8% in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination. The incidence of febrile neutropenia in the previously treated patients was 1% in the fluorouracil/leucovorin arm and 6% (less than 1% of cycles) in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm.

Gastrointestinal

In patients receiving the combination of oxaliplatin plus infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin for adjuvant treatment for colon cancer the incidence of Grade 3/4 nausea and vomiting was greater than those receiving infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin alone (see table). In patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer receiving the combination of oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin, the incidence of Grade 3 and 4 vomiting and diarrhea was less compared to irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin controls (see table). In previously treated patients receiving the combination of oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin, the incidence of Grade 3 and 4 nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and mucositis/stomatitis increased compared to fluorouracil/leucovorin controls (see table).

The incidence of gastrointestinal adverse reactions in the previously untreated and previously treated patients appears to be similar across cycles. Premedication with antiemetics, including 5-HT₃ blockers, is recommended. Diarrhea and mucositis may be exacerbated by the addition of oxaliplatin to fluorouracil/leucovorin, and should be managed with appropriate supportive care. Since cold temperature can exacerbate acute neurological symptoms, ice (mucositis prophylaxis) should be avoided during the infusion of Oxaliplatin Injection.

Dermatologic

Oxaliplatin did not increase the incidence of alopecia compared to fluorouracil/leucovorin alone. No complete alopecia was reported. The incidence of Grade 3/4 skin disorders was 2% in both the oxaliplatin plus infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin and the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin alone arms in the adjuvant colon cancer patients. The incidence of hand-foot syndrome in patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer was 2% in the irinotecan plus fluorouracil/leucovorin arm and 7% in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm. The incidence of hand-foot syndrome in previously treated patients was 13% in the fluorouracil/leucovorin arm and 11% in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm.

Intravenous Site Reactions

Extravasation, in some cases including necrosis, has been reported.

Injection site reaction, including redness, swelling, and pain, has been reported.

Anticoagulation and Hemorrhage

There have been reports while on study and from post-marketing surveillance of prolonged prothrombin time and INR occasionally associated with hemorrhage in patients who received oxaliplatin plus fluorouracil/leucovorin while on anticoagulants. Patients receiving Oxaliplatin Injection plus fluorouracil/leucovorin and requiring oral anticoagulants may require closer monitoring.

Renal

About 5% to 10% of patients in all groups had some degree of elevation of serum creatinine. The incidence of Grade 3/4 elevations in serum creatinine in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm was 1% in the previously treated patients. Serum creatinine measurements were not reported in the adjuvant trial.

Hepatic

Hepatotoxicity (defined as elevation of liver enzymes) appears to be related to oxaliplatin combination therapy [see *Warnings and Precautions* (5.6)]. The following tables list the clinical chemistry changes associated with hepatic toxicity

occurring in $\geq 5\%$ of patients, based on adverse reactions reported and NCI CTC grade for adjuvant patients and patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer, laboratory values and NCI CTC grade for previously treated patients.

Table 12: Adverse Hepatic Reactions in Patients with Stage II or III Colon Cancer Receiving Adjuvant Therapy ($\geq 5\%$ of patients)

Hepatic Parameter	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 1108)		FU/LV (N = 1111)	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
Increase in transaminases	57	2	34	1
ALP increased	42	< 1	20	< 1
Bilirubinaemia	20	4	20	5

Table 13: Adverse Hepatic Reactions – Clinical Chemistry Abnormalities in Patients Previously Untreated for Advanced Colorectal Cancer ($\geq 5\%$ of patients)

Clinical Chemistry	Oxaliplatin + FU/LV N = 259		Irinotecan + FU/LV N = 256		Oxaliplatin + Irinotecan N = 258	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
ALT (SGPT-ALAT)	6	1	2	0	5	2
AST (SGOT-ASAT)	17	1	2	1	11	1
Alkaline Phosphatase	16	0	8	0	14	2
Total Bilirubin	6	1	3	1	3	2

Table 14: Adverse Hepatic Reactions – Clinical Chemistry Abnormalities in Previously Treated Patients ($\geq 5\%$ of patients)

Clinical Chemistry	FU/LV (N = 142)		Oxaliplatin (N = 153)		Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (N = 150)	
	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)	All Grades (%)	Grade 3/4 (%)
ALT (SGPT-ALAT)	28	3	36	1	31	0
AST (SGOT-ASAT)	39	2	54	4	47	0
Total Bilirubin	22	6	13	5	13	1

Thromboembolism

The incidence of thromboembolic events in adjuvant patients with colon cancer was 6% (1.8% Grade 3/4) in the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin arm and 6% (1.2% grade 3/4) in the oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin combined arm, respectively. The incidence was 6 and 9% of the patients previously untreated for advanced colorectal cancer and previously treated patients in the oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin combination arm, respectively.

6.2 Postmarketing Experience

The following adverse reactions have been identified during post-approval use of oxaliplatin. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

Body as a whole

angioedema, anaphylactic shock

Cardiovascular disorders

QT prolongation leading to ventricular arrhythmias including fatal Torsade de Pointes

Central and peripheral nervous system disorders

loss of deep tendon reflexes, dysarthria, Lhermitte's sign, cranial nerve palsies, fasciculations, convulsion, Reversible Posterior Leukoencephalopathy Syndrome (RPLS, also known as PRES).

Hearing and vestibular system disorders

deafness

Infections:

septic shock, including fatal outcomes

Infusion reactions/hypersensitivity

laryngospasm

Liver and gastrointestinal system disorders

severe diarrhea/vomiting resulting in hypokalemia, colitis (including Clostridium difficile diarrhea), metabolic acidosis; ileus; intestinal obstruction, pancreatitis; veno-occlusive disease of liver also known as sinusoidal obstruction syndrome, and perisinusoidal fibrosis which rarely may progress.

Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders

rhabdomyolysis, including fatal outcomes.

Platelet, bleeding, and clotting disorders

immuno-allergic thrombocytopenia, prolongation of prothrombin time and of INR in patients receiving anticoagulants

Red blood cell disorders

hemolytic uremic syndrome, immuno-allergic hemolytic anemia

Renal disorders

Acute tubular necrosis, acute interstitial nephritis and acute renal failure.

Respiratory system disorders

pulmonary fibrosis, and other interstitial lung diseases (sometimes fatal)

Vision disorders

decrease of visual acuity, visual field disturbance, optic neuritis and transient vision loss (reversible following therapy discontinuation)

7 DRUG INTERACTIONS

No specific cytochrome P-450-based drug interaction studies have been conducted. No pharmacokinetic interaction between 85 mg/m² oxaliplatin and fluorouracil/leucovorin has been observed in patients treated every 2 weeks. Increases of fluorouracil plasma concentrations by approximately 20% have been observed with doses of 130 mg/m² oxaliplatin dosed every 3 weeks. Because platinum-containing species are eliminated primarily through the kidney, clearance of these products may be decreased by coadministration of potentially nephrotoxic compounds; although, this has not been specifically studied [*see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3)*].

8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

8.1 Pregnancy

Risk Summary

Based on direct interaction with DNA, Oxaliplatin Injection can cause fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman. The available human data do not establish the presence or absence of major birth defects or miscarriage related to the use of oxaliplatin. Reproductive toxicity studies demonstrated adverse effects on embryo-fetal development in rats at maternal doses that were below the recommended human dose based on body surface area (*see Data*). Advise a pregnant woman of the potential hazard to a fetus.

In the U.S. general population, the estimated background risk of major birth defects and miscarriage in clinically recognized pregnancies is 2% to 4% and 15% to 20%, respectively.

Data

Animal Data

Pregnant rats were administered oxaliplatin at less than one-tenth the recommended human dose based on body surface area during gestation days (GD) 1 to 5 (preimplantation), GD 6 to 10, or GD 11 to 16 (during organogenesis). Oxaliplatin caused developmental mortality (increased early resorptions) when administered on GD 6 to 10 and GD 11 to 16 and adversely affected fetal growth (decreased fetal weight, delayed ossification) when administered on GD 6 to 10.

8.2 Lactation

Risk Summary

There are no data on the presence of oxaliplatin or its metabolites in human or animal milk or its effects on the breastfed infant or on milk production. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in breastfed infants, advise women not to breastfeed during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection and for 3 months after the final dose.

8.3 Females and Males of Reproductive Potential

Pregnancy Testing

Verify pregnancy status in females of reproductive potential prior to initiating Oxaliplatin Injection [*see Use in Specific Populations (8.1)*].

Contraception

Oxaliplatin Injection can cause embryo-fetal harm when administered to a pregnant woman [*see Use in Specific Populations (8.1)*].

Females

Advise females of reproductive potential to use effective contraception while receiving Oxaliplatin Injection and for 9 months after the final dose.

Males

Based on its mechanism action as a genotoxic drug, advise males with female partners of reproductive potential to use effective contraception while receiving Oxaliplatin Injection and for 6 months after the final dose [see *Nonclinical Toxicology* (13.1)].

Infertility

Based on animal studies, Oxaliplatin Injection may impair fertility in males and females [see *Nonclinical Toxicology* (13.1)].

8.4 Pediatric Use

The effectiveness of Oxaliplatin Injection in children has not been established. Oxaliplatin has been tested in 2 Phase 1 and 2 Phase 2 trials in 235 patients ages 7 months to 22 years with solid tumors and no significant activity observed.

In a Phase 1/2 study, oxaliplatin was administered as a 2-hour intravenous infusion on Days 1, 8 and 15 every 4 weeks (1 cycle), for a maximum of 6 cycles, to 43 patients with refractory or relapsed malignant solid tumors, mainly neuroblastoma and osteosarcoma. Twenty eight pediatric patients in the Phase 1 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 the 110 mg/m² dose. Fifteen patients received oxaliplatin at a dose of 90 mg/m² intravenous in the Phase 2 portion of the study. At this dose, paresthesia (60%, G3/4: 7%), fever (40%, G3/4: 7%) and thrombocytopenia (40%, G3/4: 27%) were the main adverse reactions. No responses were observed.

In a second Phase 1 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 a separate cohort, oxaliplatin 85 mg/m² was administered on day 1 every 2 weeks, for a maximum of 9 doses. Patients had metastatic or unresectable solid tumors mainly neuroblastoma and ganglioneuroblastoma. No responses were observed. The DLT was sensory neuropathy at the 160 mg/m² dose. Based on these studies, oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² as a 2-hour intravenous infusion on day 1 every 3 weeks (1 cycle) was used in subsequent Phase II studies. A dose of 85 mg/m² on day 1 every 2 weeks was also found to be tolerable.

In one Phase 2 study, 43 pediatric patients with recurrent or refractory embryonal CNS tumors received oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² every 3 weeks for a maximum of 12 months in absence of progressive disease or unacceptable toxicity. In patients < 10 kg the oxaliplatin dose used was 4.3 mg/kg. The most common adverse reactions reported were leukopenia (67%, G3/4: 12%), anemia (65%, G3/4: 5%), thrombocytopenia (65%, G3/4: 26%), vomiting (65%, G3/4: 7%), neutropenia (58%, G3/4: 16%) and sensory neuropathy (40%, G3/4: 5%). One partial response was observed.

In a second Phase 2 study, 123 pediatric patients with recurrent solid tumors, including neuroblastoma, osteosarcoma, Ewing sarcoma or peripheral PNET, ependymoma, rhabdomyosarcoma, hepatoblastoma, high grade astrocytoma, brain stem glioma, low grade astrocytoma, malignant germ cell tumor and other tumors of interest received oxaliplatin 130 mg/m² every 3 weeks for a maximum of 12 months or 17 cycles. In patients ≤ 12 months old the oxaliplatin dose used was 4.3 mg/kg. The most common adverse reactions reported were sensory neuropathy (52%, G3/4: 12%), thrombocytopenia (37%, G3/4: 17%), anemia (37%, G3/4: 9%), vomiting (26%, G3/4: 4%), ALT increased (24%, G3/4: 6%), AST increased (24%, G3/4: 2%), and nausea (23%, G3/4: 3%). Two partial 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 estimated by the population pharmacokinetic analysis was 4.7 L/h. The inter-patient variability of platinum clearance in pediatric cancer patients was 41%. Mean platinum pharmacokinetic parameters in ultrafiltrate were C_{max} of 0.75 ± 0.24 mcg/mL, AUC₀₋₄₈ of 7.52 ± 5.07 mcg•h/mL and AUC_{inf} of 8.83 ± 1.57

mcg•h/mL at 85 mg/m² of oxaliplatin and C_{max} of 1.10 ± 0.43 mcg/mL, AUC₀₋₄₈ of 9.74 ± 2.52 mcg•h/mL and AUC_{inf} of 17.3 ± 5.34 mcg•h/mL at 130 mg/m² of oxaliplatin.

8.5 Geriatric Use

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

In the adjuvant therapy colon cancer randomized clinical trial, [see *Clinical Studies (14)*] 723 patients treated with oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin were < 65 years and 400 patients were ≥ 65 years.

A descriptive subgroup analysis demonstrated that the improvement in DFS for the oxaliplatin combination arm compared to the infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin alone arm appeared to be maintained across genders. The effect of oxaliplatin in patients ≥ 65 years of age was not conclusive. Insufficient subgroup sizes prevented analysis by race.

Patients ≥ 65 years of age receiving the oxaliplatin combination therapy experienced more Grade 3 to 4 granulocytopenia 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, 160 patients treated with oxaliplatin and 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, 95 patients treated with oxaliplatin and 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 diarrhea, 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 Renal Impairment

The exposure (AUC) of unbound platinum in plasma ultrafiltrate tends to increase in renally impaired patients [see *Pharmacokinetics (12.3)*]. Caution and close monitoring should be exercised when Oxaliplatin Injection is administered to patients with renal impairment. The starting Oxaliplatin Injection dose does not need to be reduced in patients with mild (creatinine clearance = 50 to 80 mL/min) or moderate (creatinine clearance = 30 to 49 mL/min) renal impairment. However, the starting dose of Oxaliplatin Injection should be reduced in patients with severe renal impairment (creatinine clearance < 30 mL/min) [see *Dosage and Administration (2.2)*].

10 OVERDOSAGE

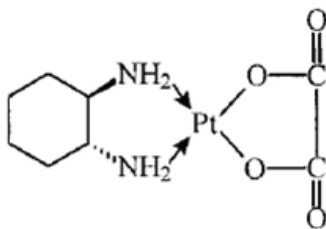
There is no known antidote for oxaliplatin overdose. In addition to thrombocytopenia, the anticipated complications of an oxaliplatin overdose include hypersensitivity reaction, myelosuppression, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and neurotoxicity.

Several cases of overdoses have been reported with oxaliplatin. Adverse reactions observed were Grade 4 thrombocytopenia (< 25,000/mm³) without any bleeding, anemia, sensory neuropathy such as paresthesia, dysesthesia, laryngospasm and facial muscle spasms, gastrointestinal 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 suspected of receiving an 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 is a platinum-based drug with the chemical name of *cis*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1,2-cyclohexanediamine-*N,N'*] [oxalato(2-)-*O,O'*] platinum. Oxaliplatin is an organoplatinum complex in which the platinum atom is complexed with 1,2-diaminocyclohexane(DACH) and with an oxalate ligand as a leaving group.



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

Oxaliplatin Injection for intravenous use is supplied in a single-dose vial containing 50 mg or 100 mg of oxaliplatin as a sterile, preservative-free, aqueous solution at a concentration of 5 mg/mL. The pH is 4.0 to 6.0. Lactose monohydrate is present as an inactive ingredient at 450 mg and 900 mg in the 50 mg and 100 mg dosage strengths, respectively. Water for Injection, USP is also present as an inactive ingredient.

12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 Mechanism of Action

Oxaliplatin undergoes nonenzymatic conversion in physiologic solutions to active derivatives via displacement of the labile oxalate ligand. Several transient reactive species are formed, including monoaquo and diaquo DACH platinum, which covalently bind with macromolecules. Both inter- and intrastrand Pt-DNA crosslinks are formed. Crosslinks are formed between the *N7* positions of two adjacent guanines (GG), adjacent adenine-guanines (AG), and guanines separated by an intervening nucleotide (GNG). These crosslinks inhibit DNA replication and transcription. Cytotoxicity is cell-cycle nonspecific.

In vivo studies have shown antitumor activity of oxaliplatin against colon carcinoma. In combination with fluorouracil, oxaliplatin exhibits in vitro and in vivo antiproliferative activity greater than either compound alone in several tumor models [HT29 (colon), GR (mammary), and L1210 (leukemia)].

12.3 Pharmacokinetics

The reactive oxaliplatin derivatives are present as a fraction of the unbound platinum in plasma ultrafiltrate. The decline of ultrafilterable platinum levels following oxaliplatin administration is triphasic, characterized by two relatively short distribution phases ($t_{1/2\alpha}$; 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 2-hour intravenous infusion of oxaliplatin at a dose of 85 mg/m² expressed as ultrafilterable platinum were C_{\max} of 0.814 mcg/mL and volume of distribution of 440 L.

Interpatient and inpatient variability in ultrafilterable platinum exposure (AUC_{0-48hr}) assessed over 3 cycles was moderate to low (23% and 6%, respectively). A pharmacodynamic relationship between platinum ultrafiltrate levels and clinical safety and effectiveness has not been established.

Distribution

At the end of a 2-hour infusion of oxaliplatin, 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 irreversible and is greater than 90%. The main binding proteins are albumin and gamma-globulins. Platinum also binds irreversibly and accumulates (approximately 2-fold) in erythrocytes, where it appears to have no relevant activity. No platinum accumulation was observed in plasma ultrafiltrate following 85 mg/m² every two weeks.

Metabolism

Oxaliplatin undergoes rapid and extensive nonenzymatic biotransformation. There is no evidence of cytochrome P450-mediated metabolism in vitro.

Up to 17 platinum-containing derivatives have been observed in plasma ultrafiltrate samples from patients, including several cytotoxic species (monochloro DACH platinum, dichloro DACH platinum, and monoquo and diaquo DACH platinum) and a number of noncytotoxic, conjugated species.

Elimination

The major route of platinum elimination is renal excretion. At five days after a single 2-hour infusion of oxaliplatin, 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 to 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 gender on the clearance of ultrafilterable platinum. The renal clearance of ultrafilterable platinum is significantly correlated with GFR.

Pharmacokinetics in Special Populations

Renal Impairment

A study was conducted in 38 patients with advanced GI cancer and varying degrees of renal impairment. Patients in the normal (creatinine clearance (CrCL) > 80 mL/min, N=11), mild (CrCL=50 to 80 mL/min, N=13), and moderate (CrCL=30 to 49 mL/min, N=10) groups were treated with 85 mg/m² oxaliplatin and those in the severe (CrCL < 30 mL/min, N=4) group were treated with 65 mg/m² oxaliplatin. The mean AUC of unbound platinum was 40%, 95%, and 342% higher in the mild, moderate, and severe groups, respectively, than in the normal group. Mean C_{max} of unbound platinum appeared to be similar among the normal, mild and moderate renal function groups, but was 38% higher in the severe group than in the normal group. Caution should be exercised in renally impaired patients [see *Use in Specific Populations* (8.6)]. The starting dose of Oxaliplatin Injection should be reduced in patients with severe renal impairment [see *Dosage and Administration* (2.2)].

Drug - Drug Interactions

No pharmacokinetic interaction between 85 mg/m² of oxaliplatin and infusional fluorouracil has been observed in patients treated every 2 weeks, but increases of fluorouracil plasma concentrations by approximately 20% have been observed with doses of 130 mg/m² of oxaliplatin administered every 3 weeks. In vitro, platinum was not displaced from plasma proteins by the following medications: erythromycin, salicylate, sodium valproate, granisetron, and paclitaxel. In vitro, oxaliplatin is not metabolized by, nor does it inhibit, human cytochrome 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 rats were given oxaliplatin at 0, 0.5, 1, or 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 pregnancy rate, but resulted in 97% postimplantation loss (increased early resorptions, decreased live fetuses, decreased live births) and delayed growth (decreased fetal weight).

The evaluation of ovaries and testes from mice that received oxaliplatin in a single intraperitoneal dose of 15 mg/kg (approximately one-half the recommended human dose based on body surface area) showed a decreased number of growing follicles in the ovaries 1 month after dosing and decreased spermatogonia, spermatocyte numbers, and sperm mobility in testes 1 week after dosing. Testicular damage, characterized by degeneration, hypoplasia, and atrophy, was

observed in dogs administered oxaliplatin at 0.75 mg/kg/day (approximately one-sixth of the recommended human dose on a body surface area basis) x 5 days every 28 days for three cycles. A no effect level was not identified.

14 CLINICAL STUDIES

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

An international, multicenter, randomized study compared the efficacy and evaluated the safety of oxaliplatin in combination with an infusional schedule of fluorouracil/leucovorin to infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin alone, in patients with Stage II (Dukes' B2) or III (Dukes' C) colon cancer 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 and infusional fluorouracil/leucovorin to those receiving fluorouracil/leucovorin alone. Patients were to be treated for a total of 6 months (i.e., 12 cycles). A total of 2246 patients were randomized; 1123 patients per study arm. Patients in the study had to be between 18 and 75 years of age, have histologically proven Stage II (T₃ to T₄ N₀ M₀; Dukes' B2) or III (any T N₁₋₂ M₀; Dukes' C) colon carcinoma (with the inferior pole of the tumor above the peritoneal reflection, i.e., ≥ 15 cm from the anal margin) and undergone (within 7 weeks prior 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 have an ECOG performance status of 0, 1, or 2 (KPS ≥ 60%), absolute neutrophil count (ANC) > 1.5 × 10⁹/L, platelets ≥ 100 × 10⁹/L, serum creatinine ≤ 1.25 × ULN total bilirubin < 2 × ULN, AST/ALT < 2 × ULN and carcinoembryogenic antigen (CEA) < 10 ng/mL. Patients with preexisting peripheral neuropathy (NCI Grade ≥ 1) were ineligible for this trial.

The following table shows the dosing regimens for the two arms of the study.

Table 15: Dosing Regimens in Adjuvant Therapy Study

Treatment Arm	Dose	Regimen
Oxaliplatin + FU/LV (FOLFOX4) (N = 1123)	Day 1: Oxaliplatin: 85 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion) + LV: 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 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 FU: 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion)	every 2 weeks 12 cycles
FU/LV (N = 1123)	Day 1: LV: 200 mg/m ² (2-hour infusion), followed by 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 FU: 400 mg/m ² (bolus), 600 mg/m ² (22-hour infusion)	every 2 weeks 12 cycles

The following tables show the baseline characteristics and dosing of the patient population entered into this study. The baseline characteristics were well balanced between arms.

Table 16: Patient Characteristics in Adjuvant Therapy Study

	Oxaliplatin + Infusional FU/LV N = 1123	Infusional FU/LV N = 1123
Sex: Male (%)	56.1	52.4
Female (%)	43.9	47.6
Median age (years)	61	60

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Read this Patient Information leaflet carefully before you start receiving Oxaliplatin Injection. There may be new information. It will help you learn more about Oxaliplatin Injection. This leaflet 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, including allergic reactions that can lead to death.

Oxaliplatin Injection is a platinum base medicine. Serious allergic reactions including death can happen in people who take oxaliplatin and who have had previous allergic reactions to platinum medicines. Serious allergic reactions can happen within a few minutes of your Oxaliplatin Injection infusion or any time during your treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection.

Get emergency help right away if you:

- **have trouble breathing**
- **feel like your throat is closing up**

Call your doctor right away if you have any of the following signs or symptoms of an 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 about 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 fluorouracil and leucovorin to treat people with:

- Stage III colon cancer after surgery to remove the tumor
- advanced colon or rectal cancer (colorectal cancer)

It is not known if Oxaliplatin Injection is effective in children.

Who should not receive Oxaliplatin Injection?

Do not receive Oxaliplatin Injection if you are allergic to any of the ingredients in Oxaliplatin Injection or other medicines that contain platinum. See the end of this leaflet for a complete list of the ingredients in Oxaliplatin Injection. Ask your doctor if you are not sure if you take a medicine that contains platinum.

What should I tell my doctor before receiving Oxaliplatin Injection?

Before receiving Oxaliplatin Injection, tell your doctor about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have an infection
- have lung, liver, or kidney problems
- have or had heart problems such as an abnormal heart test called an electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG), a condition called long QT syndrome, an irregular or slow heartbeat, or a family history of heart problems.
- have had changes in the level of certain blood salt (electrolytes) levels, including potassium, magnesium, and calcium
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant. Oxaliplatin Injection may harm your unborn baby. Females who are able to become pregnant should avoid becoming pregnant and should use effective birth control during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection and for 9 months after the last dose of Oxaliplatin Injection. Males with female sexual partners who are able to become pregnant should use effective birth control during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection and for 6 months after the last dose of Oxaliplatin Injection.
- are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed. It is not known if Oxaliplatin Injection passes into your breast milk. You and your doctor should decide if you will receive Oxaliplatin Injection or breastfeed. You should not do both.

Tell your doctor about all the medicines you take, including prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

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 will I receive Oxaliplatin Injection?

- Oxaliplatin Injection is given to you into your vein through an intravenous (IV) tube.
- Your doctor will prescribe Oxaliplatin Injection in a dose that is right for you.
- Your doctor may change how often you receive Oxaliplatin Injection, your dose, or how long your infusion will take.
- You and your doctor will decide how many Oxaliplatin Injection treatments you will receive.
- It is very important that you do exactly what your doctor and nurse tell you to do.
- Some medicines may be given to you before Oxaliplatin Injection to help prevent nausea and vomiting.
- 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.
- It is important for you to keep all of your medical appointments. Call your doctor if you miss an appointment. There may be special instructions for you.

Treatment Day 1:

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

Treatment Day 2:

You **will not** get Oxaliplatin Injection on Day 2. Leucovorin and fluorouracil will be given the same way as on Day 1. The fluorouracil will be given through your IV 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 should I avoid while receiving 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.
- Oxaliplatin Injection can cause dizziness, vision problems, or vision loss that can affect your ability to drive or use machines. You should not drive or operate machinery if you develop these symptoms while receiving Oxaliplatin Injection.

See “**How can I reduce the side effects caused by cold temperatures?**” for more information.

Talk with 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, including:

- See “**What is the most important information I should know about Oxaliplatin Injection?**”
- **Nerve problems.** Oxaliplatin Injection can affect how your nerves work and make you feel. Nerve problems may happen with the first treatment or within two days after your treatment of Oxaliplatin Injection. Nerve problems may last a short time (acute) or may become persistent. Symptoms may improve after stopping treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection. Exposure to cold or cold objects may cause or worsen nerve problems. Tell your doctor right away if you get any signs of nerve problems, including:
 - very sensitive to cold temperatures and cold objects
 - trouble breathing, swallowing, or saying words, jaw tightness, odd feelings 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.

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?**”

- **Reversible Posterior Leukoencephalopathy (RPLS).** RPLS is a rare condition that affects the brain. Tell your doctor right away if you have any of the following signs and symptoms of RPLS:
 - headache
 - confusion or a change in the way you think
 - seizures
 - vision problems, such as blurriness or vision loss
- **Low white blood cell counts (neutropenia).** Oxaliplatin Injection can cause low white blood cells counts. Low blood cell counts are common with Oxaliplatin Injection and can lead to serious infection and death. Tell your doctor right away if you have a fever greater than 100.9°F (38.3°C) or a prolonged fever greater than 100.4°F (38°C) for more than one hour (febrile neutropenia). Call your doctor right away if you get any of the following signs of infection:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ chills or shivering ○ pain on swallowing ○ sore throat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ cough that brings up mucus ○ burning or pain on urination ○ redness or swelling at intravenous site ○ persistent diarrhea
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- **Lung problems (interstitial fibrosis).** Oxaliplatin Injection can cause lung problems that may lead to death. Tell your doctor right away 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 check your liver.
- **Heart problems.** Oxaliplatin Injection can cause heart problems that have led to death. Your doctor may do blood and heart tests during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection if you have certain heart problems. If you faint (lose consciousness) or have an irregular heartbeat or chest pain during treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection, tell your doctor right away as this may be a sign of a serious heart condition.
- **Muscle problems.** Oxaliplatin Injection can cause muscle damage (rhabdomyolysis) which can lead to death. Tell your doctor right away if you have muscle pain and swelling, along with weakness, fever, or red brown urine.
- **Harm to an unborn baby.** See “**What should I tell my doctor before treatment with Oxaliplatin Injection?**”

The most common side effects of Oxaliplatin Injection include:

- Numbness, pain, tingling, and/or burning along the nerves
- Low white blood cells (neutropenia)
- Low platelet count (important for clotting and to control bleeding)
- Low red blood cells (blood cells that carry oxygen to the tissues)
- Nausea
- Changes in liver function tests
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Tiredness
- Mouth sores

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 doctor 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 healthcare provider or doctor know **before** your next treatment how well you did since your last visit.

Your doctor 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 purposes other than those listed in the Patient Information leaflet.

This Patient Information 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

Concentrate for solution for infusion inactive ingredients: lactose monohydrate and water for injection.

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