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Osimertinib

Potential side effects

Osimertinib blocks some of the cancer-causing enzymes encoded by the Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor gene, most commonly seen in lung cancers. It is usually taken once daily in a dose of 80 mg.

Potential side effects of osimertinib include:

- Diarrhea in 41%
- Rash in 34%
- Dry skin (23%)
- Redness and discomfort around nails in 22%
- Loss of appetite in 18%
- Cough in 16%
- Nausea in 16%
- Fatigue in 16%
- Irritation of mouth in 15%
- Constipation in 14%
- Itching in 13%
- Vomiting in 11%
- Back pain I n10%
- Low platelet count in 10%
- Runny nose on 10%
- Headache in 10%
- Shortness of breath in 9%
- Low white blood cell count in 8%
- Anemia in 8%
- Fever in 6%
- Liver irritation in 5-6%

Side effects of osimertinib are almost always mild.

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