**Medication:** Gemcitabine (Gemzar®)

**Uses:** To treat various forms of cancer

**Administration:** Intravenous

**Potential Side Effects:**
- Nausea, vomiting
- Hair loss (thinning), this is temporary and will grow back
- Swelling sensation in fingers and toes
- Muscle pain
- Skin rash or hives
- Drop in blood cell counts within 7-14 days after treatment
- Difficulty breathing

(If you experience any of the side effects listed in **Bold** please contact your doctor immediately. The side effects listed above are those that occur most frequently. Other side effects may occur; please contact your doctor to report any new medical problems!)

**Warnings:**
- Inform your doctor if you are:
  1. allergic to any food or medicine,
  2. taking any non-cancer related prescriptions or over the counter drugs
- Ask your doctor or pharmacist before using any new medications including: prescriptions, over-the-counter drugs, vitamins or herbal supplements.