**Medication:** Cytarabine (Cytosar-U®, Ara-C)

**Uses:** To treat leukemia

**Administration:** Intravenous or Intramuscular

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**Potential Side Effects:**
- Weakness, fatigue
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea and/or vomiting
- Rash or hives
- Confusion, agitation, or hallucinations, and headache
- Temporary increase in blood sugar
- Fever, bone pain, muscle aches, rash
- Mouth ulcers
- Eye irritation/redness, light sensitivity, pain, burning, blurred vision and excessive tearing
- Numbness, tingling, burning sensation or pain in hands or feet
- Trouble standing/walking
- Drop in blood cell count within 7–24 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.