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Abstract:

Fosaprepitant dimeglumine (Emend IV®) is an IV antiemetic that may be beneficial to patients receiving highly emetogenic regimens. Aprepitant (Emend®) is an oral medication that is administered for three consecutive days, whereas fosaprepitant is a single-dose IV medication that is administered on the day of chemotherapy for 20-30 minutes (depending on the IV access type). Fosaprepitant may be useful, yet it can also present a risk for hypersensitivity reactions and phlebitis. Oncology nurses must be aware of the signs and symptoms of these potential adverse events to properly care for their patients.

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Pritchett, W. and Kinsley, K. (2016) Benefits and Risks of Fosaprepitant in Patients Receiving Emetogenic Regimens. *Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing*. 20(5), p.555-6.

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