

Disadvantages

While taking chemotherapy and having a stem cell transplant there are some side effects that could or may happen.

- 1) A risk on an infection: Since you will be low on white blood cells it will be easier for you to get an infection in our skin or in our digestive system. This can be cured with antibiotics.
- 2) Anaemia: Having a low blood cell count. A blood transfusion will be needed if your red blood cell amount gets too low for this will make you feel very tired.
- 3) Risk of bleeding: After your treatment your platelet levels will be very low, causing you to have a risk of bleeding.
- 4) Sickness and diarrhea: You will have a sore mouth, it will be difficult to eat and drink certain foods and you will feel dizzy.
- 5) Graft versus host disease: Some stem cell transplant donors that donate they're stem cells to others, can recognise their own tissues as being foreign and attack them.