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Given the mechanism of action of leflunomide includes suppression of the proliferation of T lymphocytes, one of the adverse side effects is suppression of other cell lines. Patients taking leflunomide have been reported to experience any combination of suppression, leading to anemia, thrombocytopenia, agranulocytosis or pancytopenia.

GI Upset

Upset GI Guy

Symptoms of GI upset such as diarrhea and nausea/vomiting are the most commonly reported side effects in patients taking leflunomide, having been reported in approximately 13-27% of patients.

Alopecia

Aloe-plant on-head

Alpecia, or hair loss, is one of the most commonly reported side effects in patients taking leflunomide, and is reported in 9-17% of patients.