

Table 1. National Cancer Institute terminology criteria for grading adverse events

Grade	Description	Examples
1	Mild transient reaction; infusion interruption not indicated; intervention not indicated	Transient pruritus nausea, dizziness
2	Therapy or infusion interruption indicated but responds promptly to systematic supportive care	Flushing responsive to antihistamines; emesis responsive to antiemetics
3	Prolonged despite supportive care and/or brief interruption of infusion; recurrence of symptoms following initial improvement	Urticaria that evolves into angioedema; persistent back or abdominal pain, recurrent cough
4	Life-threatening consequences; urgent intervention indicated	Cardiovascular instability with tachycardia, hypotension, bronchospasm, dyspnea, fever, rigors, syncope, or throat tightening
5	Death	Anaphylaxis, myocardial infarction

Source: Adapted from reference 7.