

# Side effects of Skin Cancer Treatment

Organ System	Acute Complications (Days-Months After Treatment)	Late Complications (Months-Years After Treatment)
General Body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tiredness (temporary fatigue, common)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>
Skin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Itching (pruritis)</li> <li>Darkening</li> <li>Redness</li> <li>Dryness</li> <li>Hair loss (inside radiation treatment area only)</li> <li>Pain</li> <li>Dry peeling (dry desquamation)</li> <li>Wet peeling (moist desquamation)</li> <li>Mucosal irritation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Firmness</li> <li>Small blood vessel formation at surface of the skin (telangiectasia)</li> <li>Darkening or lightening of skin</li> <li>Fibrosis</li> </ul>
Lymph (Drainage) System		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swelling of nearby body parts (leg or arm edema if lymph nodes were treated)</li> <li>Uncommon for skin cancer</li> </ul>
Radiation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New (radiation-induced) skin cancers inside or near the treatment field or new cancers of the underlying muscle/bone (rare)</li> <li>Soft tissue necrosis</li> <li>Cartilage damage</li> </ul>

