

Table 2 Incidence of reported side effects

Side effects	Dose	Study	Incidence(%) Placebo group	Incidence (%) Intervention group
Paraesthesia	250mg	Basnyat 2003	3.7	48.6
		Basnyat 2006	31.0	76.0
	500mg	Chow 2005	0.0	35.0
		Gertsch 2004	10.0	72.0
	750mg	Basnyat 2006	31.0	91.0
Polyuria	250mg	Basnyat 2006	53.0	55.0
	500mg	Chow 2005	35.0	20.0
		Gertsch 2004	2.0	8.0
	750mg	Basnyat 2006	53.0	60.0
	Larson 1982	0.0	15.3	
Rash	250mg	Basnyat 2006	0.0	3.0
	500mg	Chow 2005	0.0	0.0
		Gertsch 2004	1.0	0.0
	750mg	Basnyat 2006	0.0	5.0
Dysgeusia	250mg	Basnyat 2006	4.0	4.0
	500mg	Chow 2005	10.0	10.0
		Gertsch 2004	2.0	11.0
	750mg	Basnyat 2006	4.0	14.0