

## Cholescintigraphy

The purpose of the examination is to determine the function and possible disorders of the bile ducts.

Please reserve approximately 6 hours your visit.

If you have had any medical imaging with contrast agent, please call the number listed in the arrival instructions.

If you are pregnant or suspect that you are pregnant, please call the number listed in the arrival instructions. This examination is generally not carried out during pregnancy.

### **Before the examination**

Do not eat for 6 hours before the examination. However, newborn babies may eat as usual.

### **During the examination**

An intravenous catheter will be placed into your arm, and a small amount of radioactive contrast agent will be given via the catheter.

The imaging will begin immediately after administering the tracer and it will take approximately an hour. Additional scans may be performed after 3 and 6 hours after the first scan.

During the scan, you will lie still on an examination table. Scanning is painless.

### **After the examination**

Drink plenty of water and empty your bladder more frequently than you normally would. This is to make sure that the radioactive tracer leaves your body.

After receiving the radioactive contrast agent, do not hold a child or remain in prolonged close contact with children for the remainder of the day.

If you breastfeed, you must stop breastfeeding for 4 hours after the radioactive tracer is administered. The milk expressed during this period must be poured down the drain.

### **Other things to note**

Please take your health insurance card (Kela card) or identity card with you.

Your attending physician will inform you of the test results. Please contact the unit responsible for your care if you do not already have a scheduled appointment or a phone consultation with your doctor.

You will not be charged for the examination separately. Cancel the appointment if you cannot come. If you do not cancel, you will be charged a fine.



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