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Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection

STUDY: Confirms Diagnosis



Initial CT (5/6/88)

Showed multiple low-density regions involving white and gray matter in the parietal and occipital areas. Thought to be related to an inflammatory process, less likely an embolic insult. A confirmatory diagnosis was not possible.



Repeat CT (5/16/88)

Showed some change to the low attenuation areas—appearing larger and more confluent than previously noted. The pattern was atypical for infarction. Again, infectious etiology for the abnormality was entertained and diagnosis nonconfirmatory.

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For additional information on the use of SPECTamine in stroke diagnosis, contact your local Medi-Physics Territory Manager, or call the SPECTamine® Hotline 1-800-451-7732.

A Case Study:

61-year-old female postop aorta bifemoral graft with a complicated 7-month postoperative course including renal failure, diverticulitis, Candida sepsis, multiple enteric cutaneous fistulous with multiple surgical procedures.

On 5/6/88, patient was noted to have two generalized seizures.

On 5/16/88, patient began to deteriorate neurologically. Complained of blindness.



SPECT Study (5/19/88)

Demonstrated bilaterally posterior cerebral artery infarction. Subsequent neurologic exams and clinical course confirmed diagnosis.

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SPECTamine® Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection

For complete product information, consult package insert,
a brief summary of which follows:

DIAGNOSTIC - FOR INTRAVENOUS USE

DESCRIPTION: SPECTAMINE® Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection, is supplied as a sterile, apyrogenic, aqueous, isotonic sodium chloride solution for intravenous administration. Each milliliter of the solution contains 37 megabecquerels (1 millicurie) of Iofetamine HCl I 123 at calibration time, 0.15 milligram Iofetamine HCl, 0.017 millimole sodium phosphate, and 8.0 milligrams sodium chloride for isotonicity. The pH is adjusted to 4.5-6.0 with sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid. SPECTAMINE contains no bacteriostatic preservative. The radionuclidic composition at calibration time is not less than 94.7 percent I 123, not more than 4.8 percent I 124, and not more than 0.5 percent all others (I 125, I 126, I 130 and Te 121). The radionuclidic composition at the 6-hour expiration time is not less than 93.1 percent I 123, not more than 6.2 percent I 124, and not more than 0.7 percent all others.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE: SPECTAMINE (Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection) is recommended for use as a lipid-soluble brain-imaging agent. It has been shown to be useful in the evaluation of nonlacunar stroke especially when used within 96 hours of onset of focal neurological deficit. The rates of agreement between abnormal images and the neurological examination suggestive of ischemic cerebrovascular insufficiency, appear to increase with the severity of symptoms. Its usefulness for the measurement of cerebral blood flow has not been established.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: None known.

WARNINGS: SPECTAMINE (Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection) should not be administered to individuals with known hypersensitivity to sympathomimetic amines or to those individuals taking monoamine oxidase inhibitors.

PRECAUTIONS:

General

Some primate (*Macaca fascicularis*) studies have shown marked eye uptake of Iofetamine HCl I 123. Localization has not been studied in the isolated human eye although in vivo images suggest the concentration of Iofetamine HCl I 123 is below the limit of detection. Individual human variations in pharmacokinetics of this drug and the long-term effect on the eye have not been elucidated. The contents of the vial are radioactive. Adequate shielding of the preparation must be maintained at all times.

Do not use after the expiration time and date (6 hours after calibration time) stated on the label. Potassium Iodide Oral Solution should be administered before the examination to minimize thyroid uptake of Iodine 123.

The prescribed Iofetamine HCl I 123 dose should be administered as soon as practical from the time of receipt of the product (i.e., as close to calibration time or before, if possible), in order to minimize the fraction of radiation exposure due to relative increase of radionuclidic contaminants with time.

To minimize radiation dose to the bladder, the patient should be encouraged to drink fluids and void frequently.

SPECTAMINE, as well as other radioactive drugs, must be handled with care. Appropriate safety measures should be used to minimize radiation exposure to clinical personnel. Care should also be taken to minimize radiation exposure to the patient consistent with proper patient management. Radiopharmaceuticals should be used only by physicians who are qualified by training and experience in the safe use and handling of radionuclides, and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate government agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

Drug Interactions

There has been a single report of elevated diastolic hypertension (about 30 mm Hg) occurring 18 hours after administration of SPECTAMINE in a patient maintained on therapeutic doses of valproic acid.

Concurrent use of monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitors and compounds containing the amphetamine structure has been known to result in hypertensive crisis. Caution, therefore, should be exercised when administering SPECTAMINE (Iofetamine HCl I 123 Injection) to individuals taking medications known to potentiate the effects of sympathomimetic amines. It is recommended that SPECTAMINE not be administered during or within 14 days following administration of MAO inhibitors.

Sympathomimetic amines may affect the biodistribution of SPECTAMINE and, thus, may influence the image quality and diagnostic utility of the image.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

No long-term animal studies have been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential, mutagenic potential or effects on fertility in male or female animals. The Ames test was negative for mutagenic effects.

Pregnancy Category C

Animal reproduction studies have not been conducted with SPECTAMINE. It is also not known whether SPECTAMINE can cause fetal harm when administered to a man or a pregnant woman or can affect reproduction capacity. SPECTAMINE should be given to a pregnant woman only if clearly needed.

Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, in women of childbearing capability, should be performed during the first few (approximately ten) days following the onset of menses.

Nursing Mothers

Since Iodine I 123 is excreted in human milk, formula feeding should be substituted for breast feeding if the agent must be administered to the mother during lactation.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: In a clinical study in 93 patients with sudden onset of focal neurological deficit, e.g., cerebral infarction, 7 patients died within 2 to 55 days after administration. The deaths were considered to be a result of the disease state. Although there was no concurrent control group, statistics from historical controls support this evaluation.

There is evidence suggesting that the administration of 1 to 2 milligrams of Iofetamine HCl, the carrier in SPECTAMINE, may increase systolic blood pressure by about 10 mm Hg. In a patient with a history of hypertension, there has been a single report of sudden onset of hypertension and dizziness with transient chest tightness which occurred 5-10 minutes after administration of SPECTAMINE. One case of transient unilateral hearing loss also was reported several hours after the use of SPECTAMINE in a patient with a coincidental upper respiratory infection.

As with all organic-iodine-containing compounds, the possibility of allergic reactions must be considered.

HOW SUPPLIED: SPECTAMINE is supplied in nominal 3.5 ml vials as a sterile, apyrogenic, aqueous, isotonic sodium chloride solution for intravenous injection. Each milliliter contains 37 megabecquerels (1 mCi) of Iofetamine HCl I 123 at calibration time.

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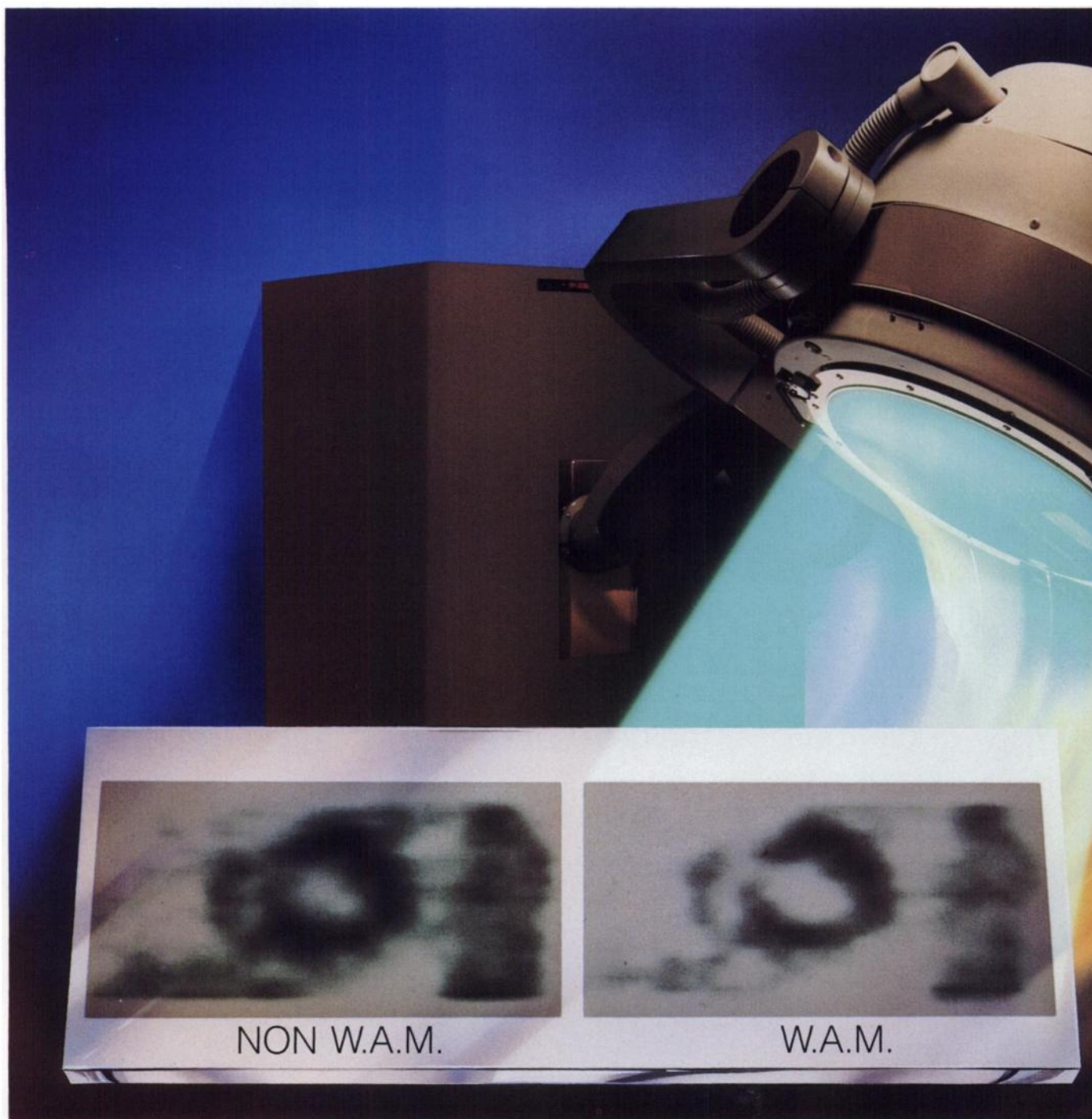


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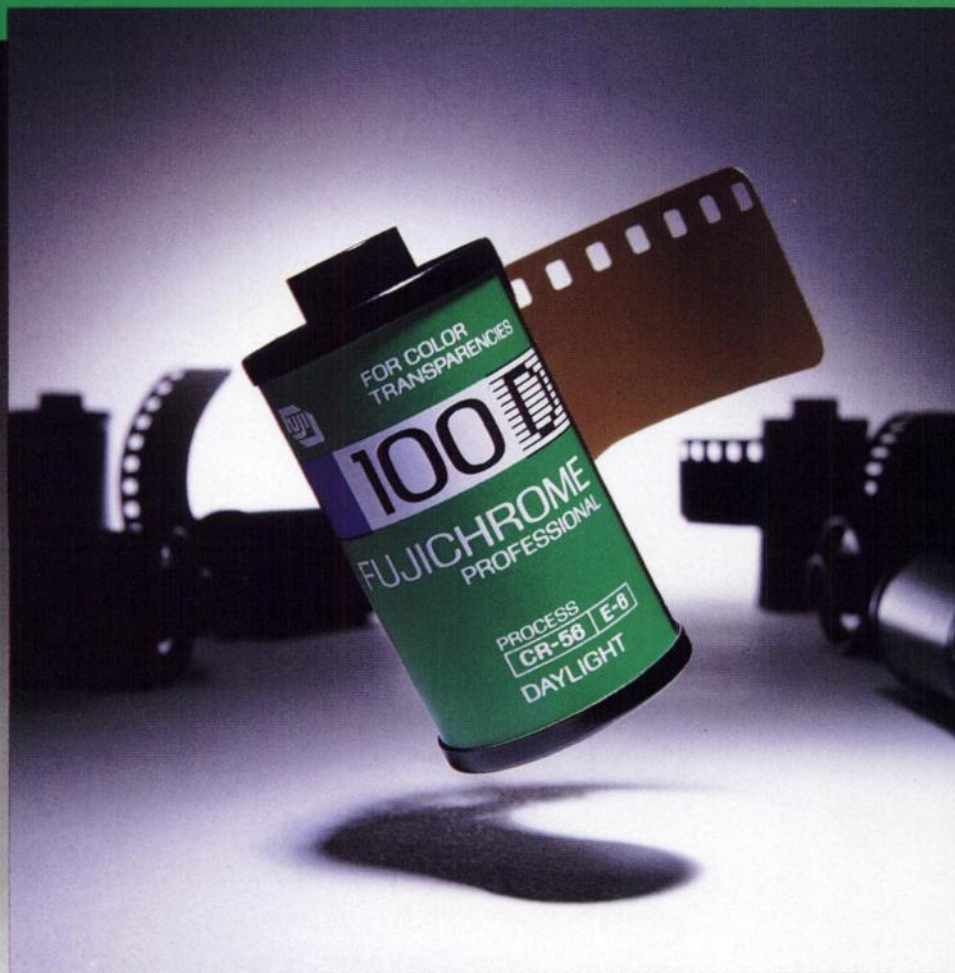


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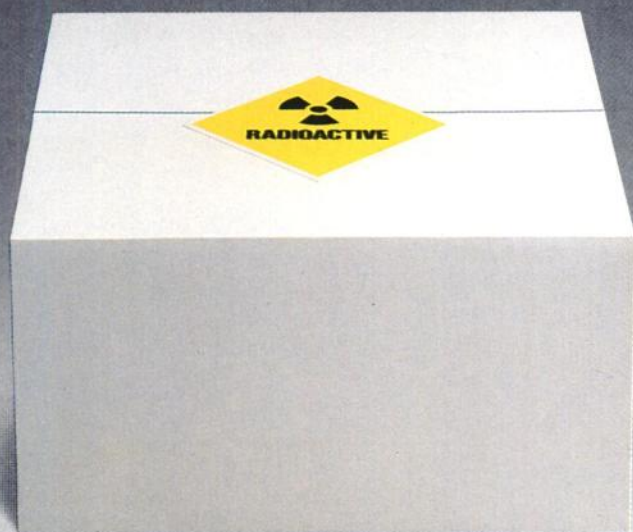
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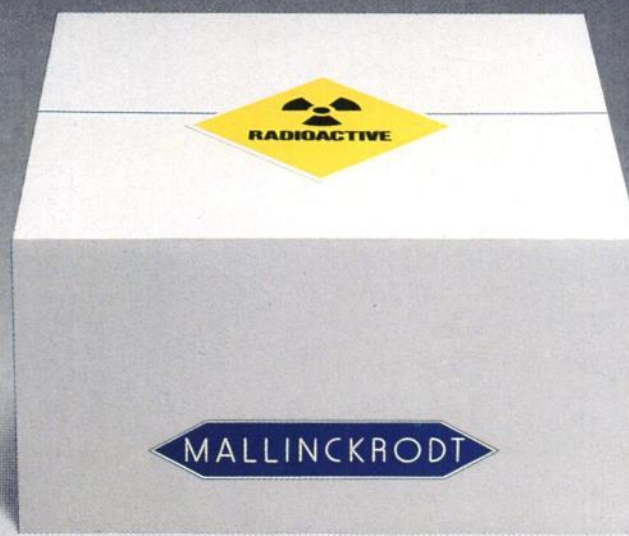


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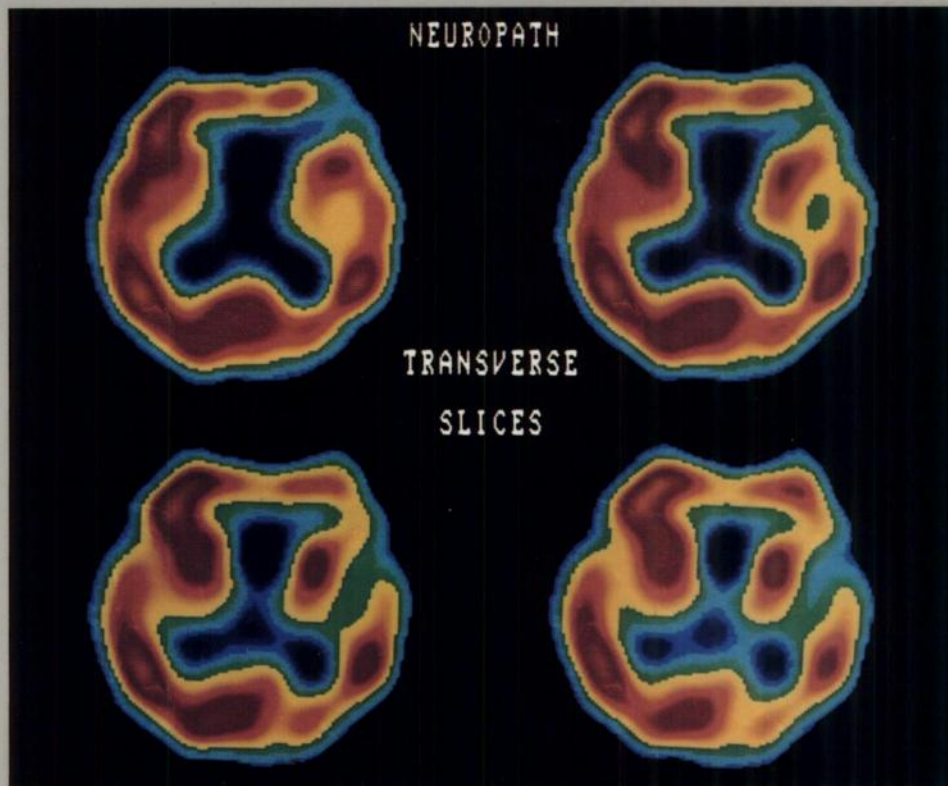
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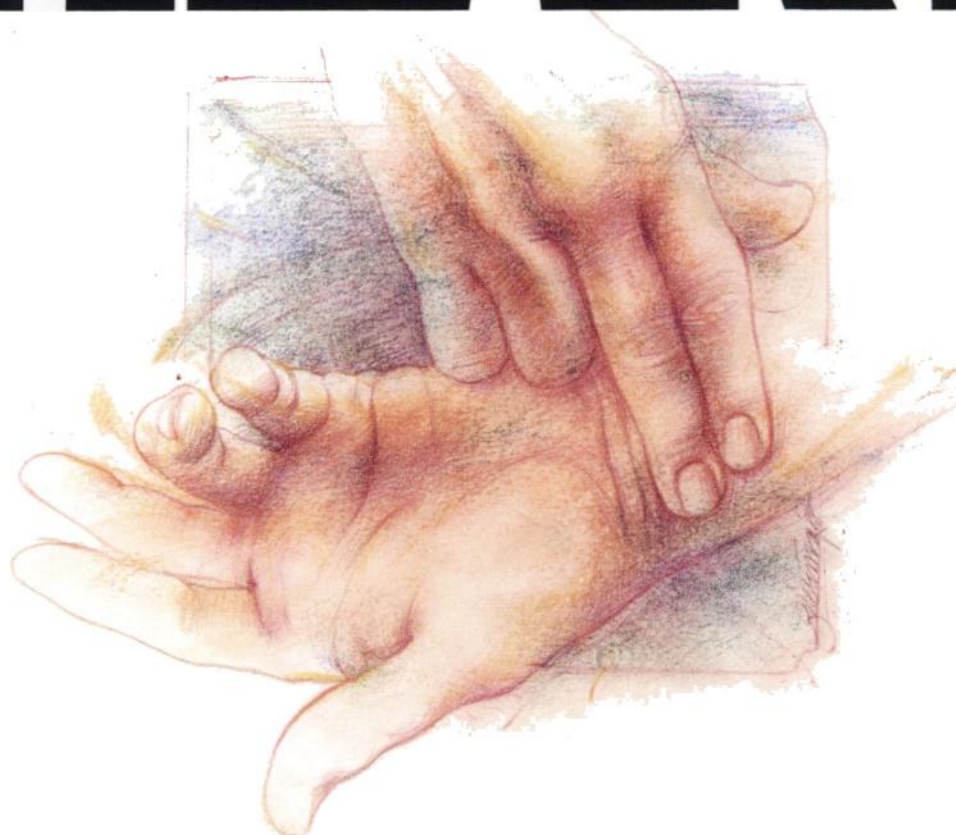
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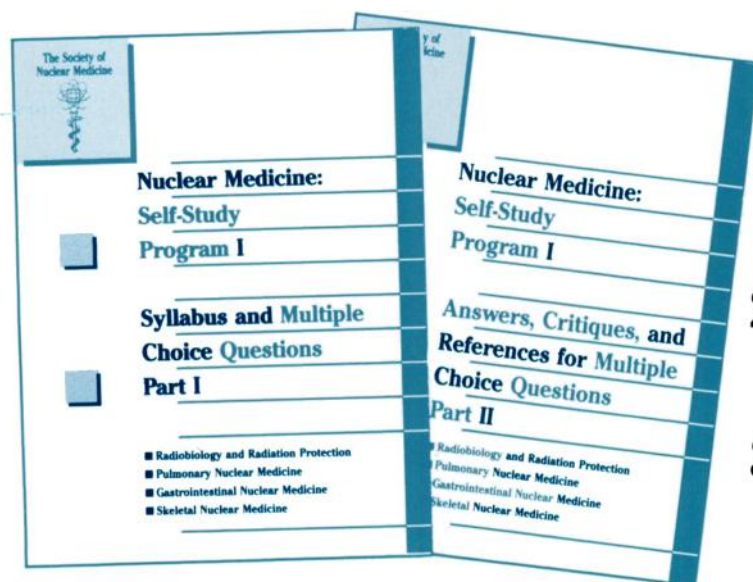


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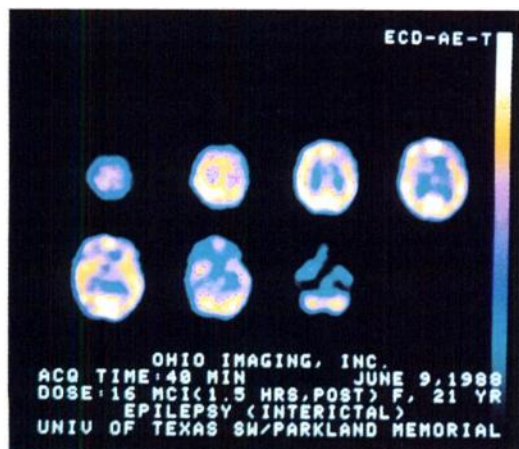


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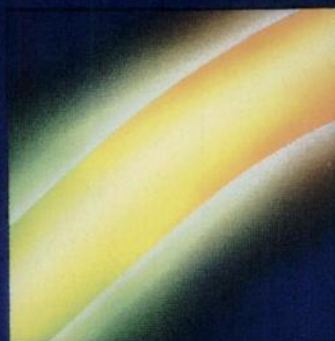
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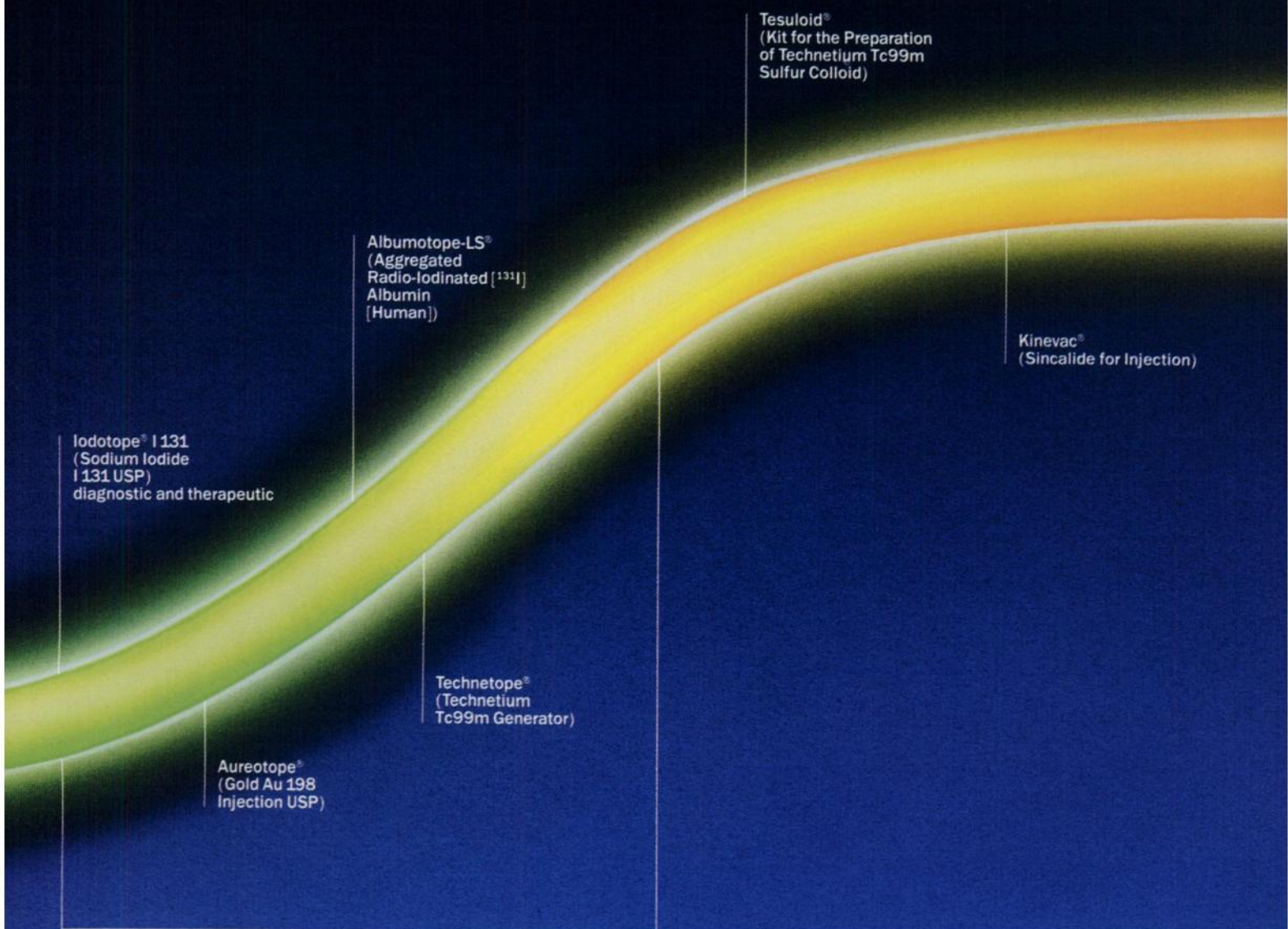


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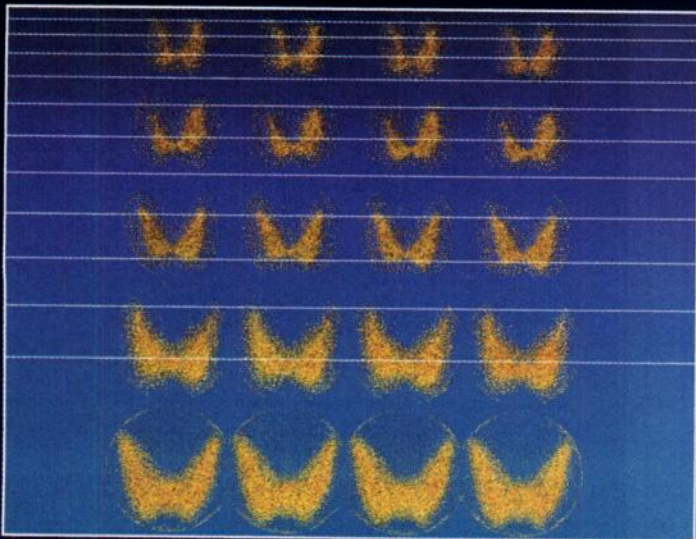


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CONTRAINDICATIONS

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Animal reproduction studies have not been conducted with sodium iodide I 131.

WARNINGS

Sodium Iodide I 131 is not usually used for the treatment of hyperthyroidism in patients under 30 years of age unless circumstances preclude other methods of treatment.

PRECAUTIONS

General

The uptake of radioiodide will be affected by recent intake of stable iodine in any form, or by the use of thyroid, anti-thyroid and certain other drugs. Accordingly, the patient should be questioned carefully regarding previous medication and procedures involving radiographic contrast media.

This drug should not be used after the expiration date stated on the container label.

Radiopharmaceuticals should be used only by physicians who are qualified by training and experience in the safe use and handling of radionuclides, and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate government agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

As in the use of any radioactive material, care should be taken to minimize radiation exposure to the patient consistent with proper patient management and to insure minimum radiation exposure to occupational workers.

Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility
No long term animal studies have been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential.

Pregnancy Category X
See CONTRAINDICATIONS.

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Nursing Mothers

It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. As a general rule nursing should not be undertaken when a patient is administered radioactive material.

Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

The immediate adverse reactions following sodium iodide I 131 treatment of hyperthyroidism are usually mild. Following the larger doses used in treating thyroid carcinoma, adverse reactions may be much more severe and present special problems.

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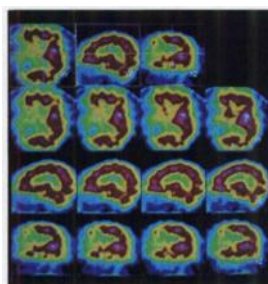
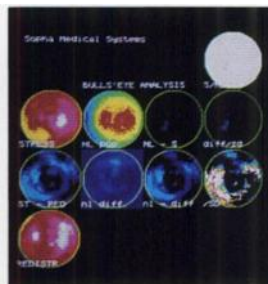
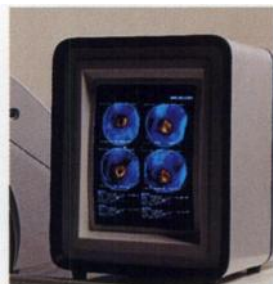
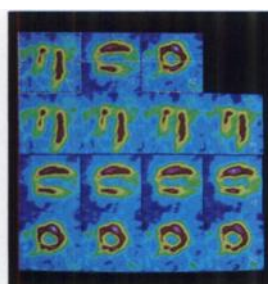
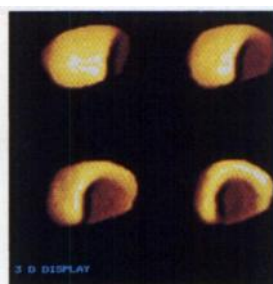
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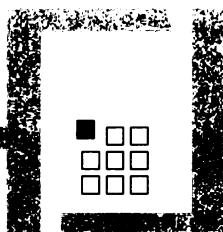


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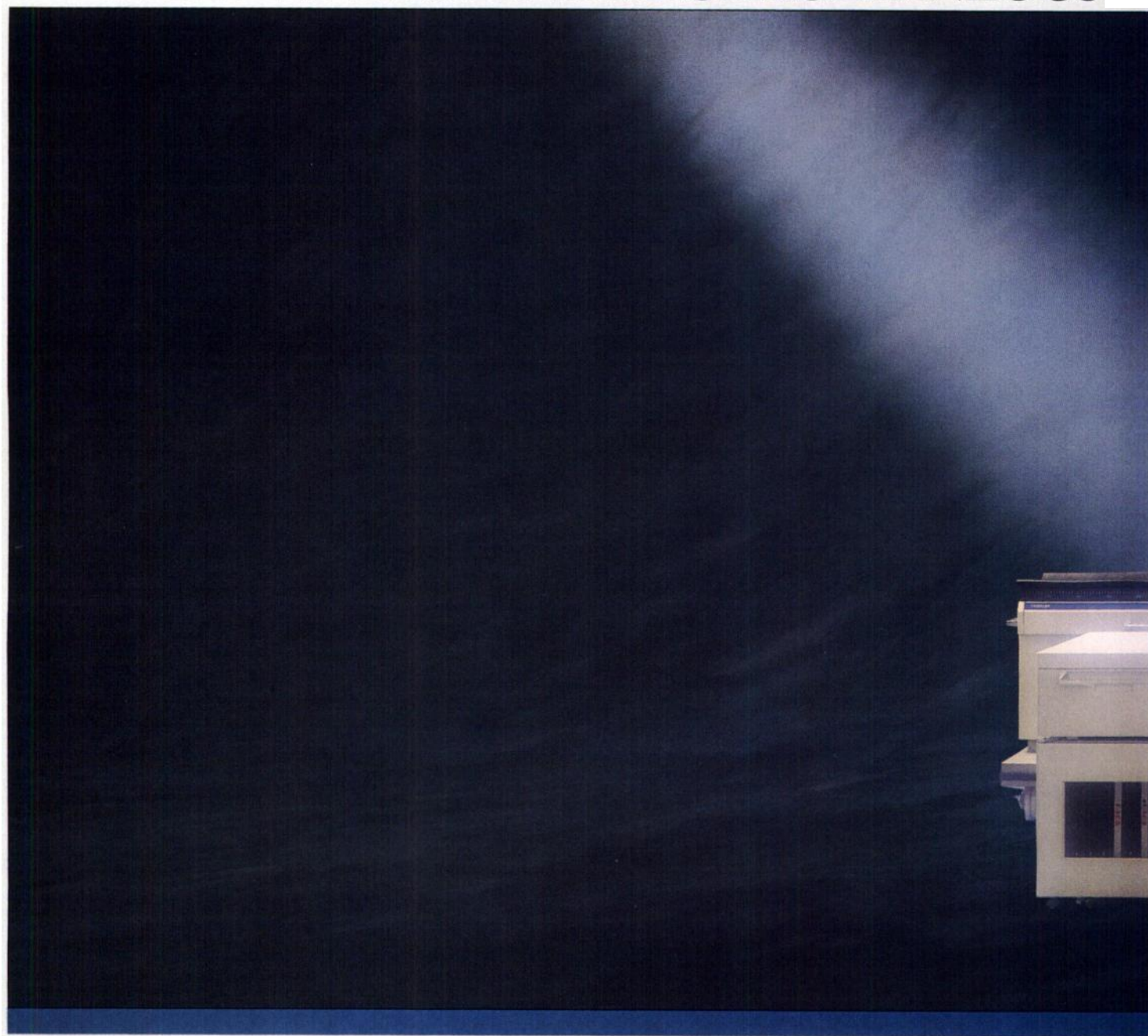


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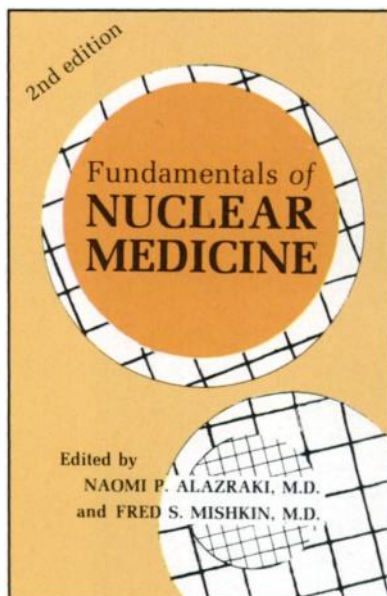
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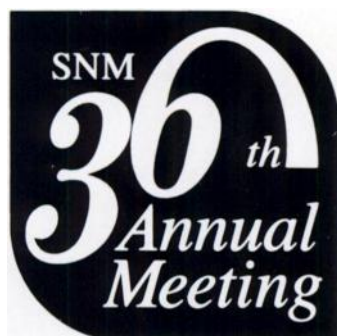
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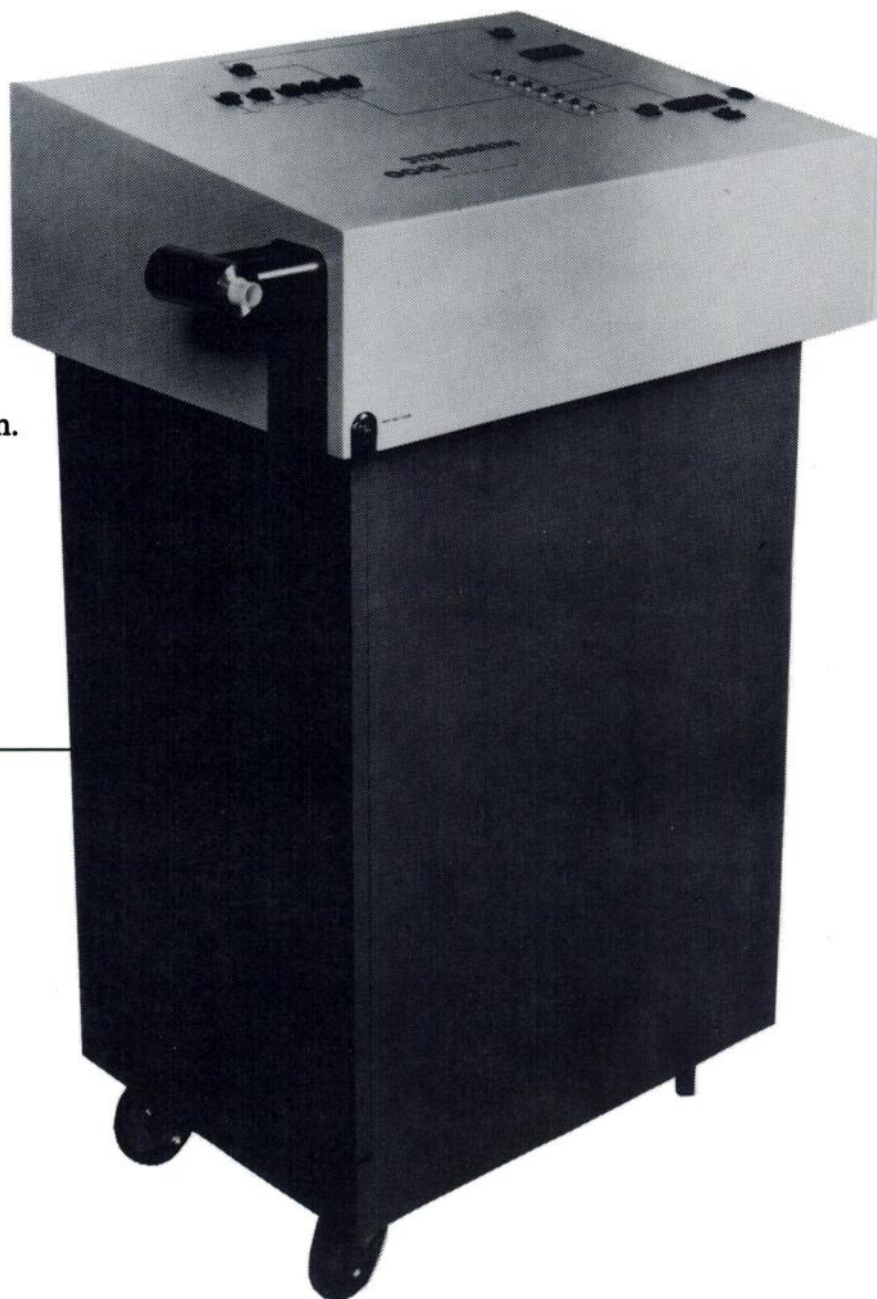
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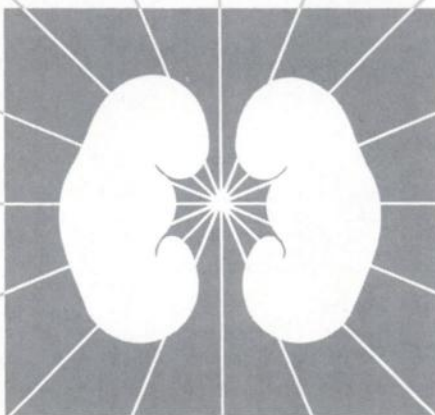
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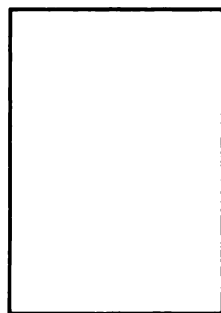
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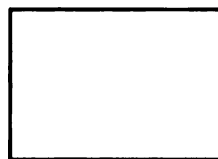
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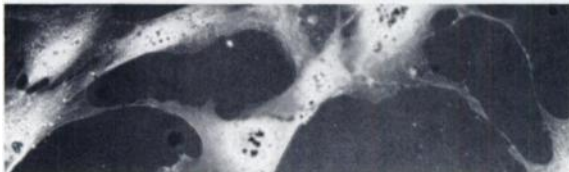
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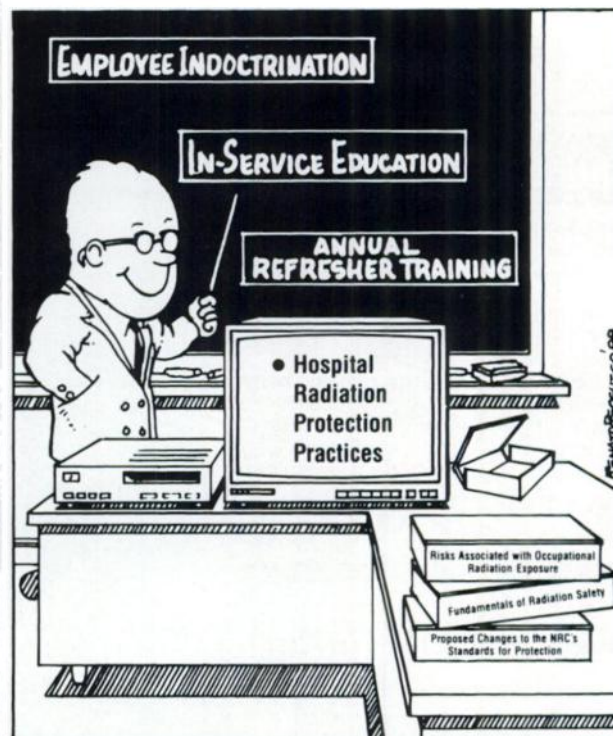


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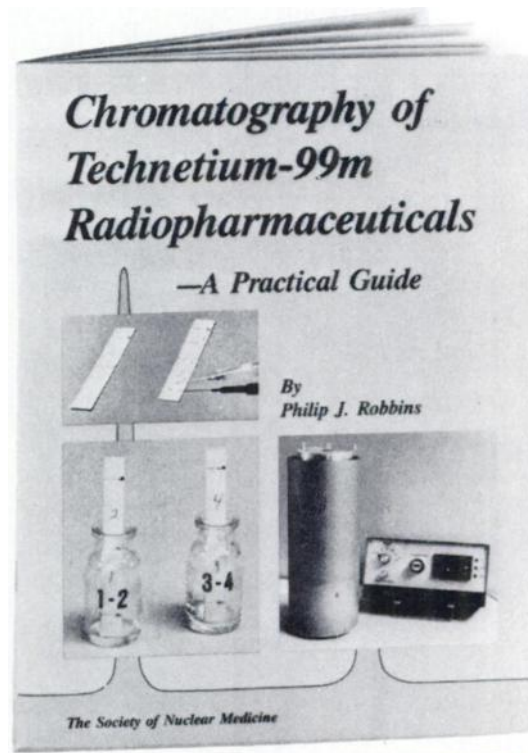
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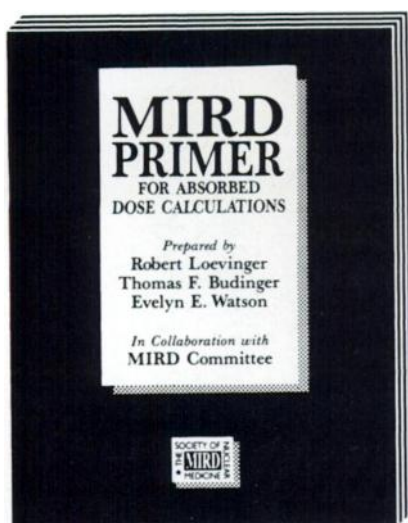
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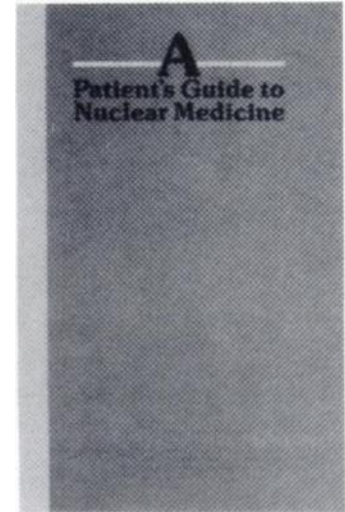
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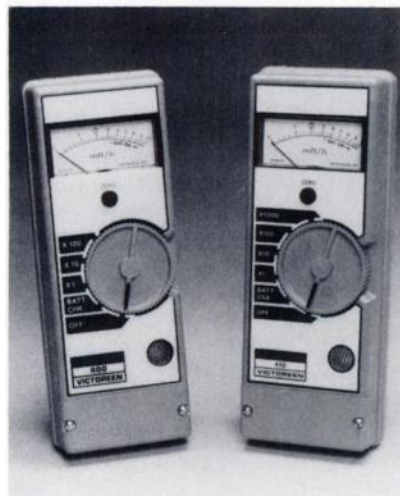
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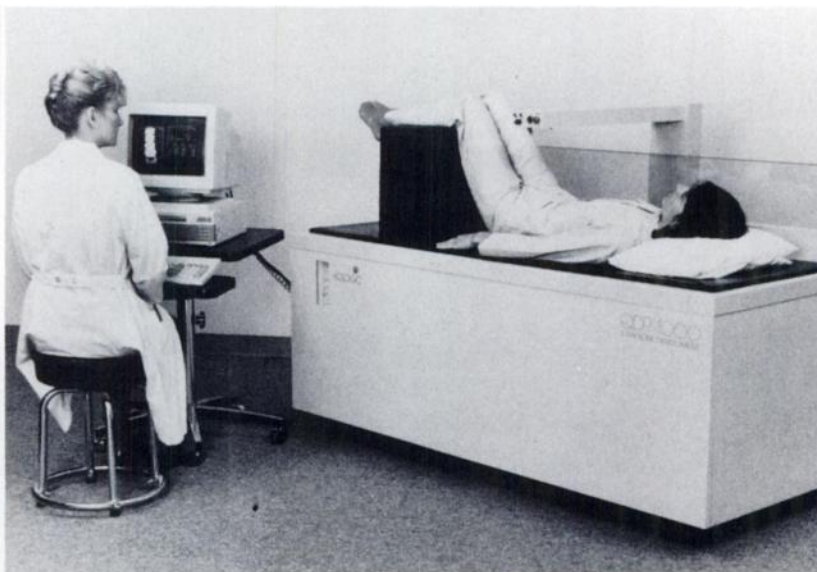
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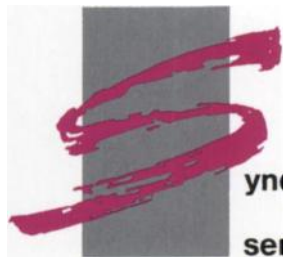
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General

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The components of the kit are sterile and non-pyrogenic. It is essential to follow directions carefully and to adhere to strict aseptic procedures during preparation.

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Radiopharmaceuticals should be used only by physicians who are qualified by training and experience in the safe use and handling of radionuclides and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate government agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

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