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Neoscan™ MEANS gallium citrate Ga 67 from Medi-Physics, Inc. Neoscan can aid in demonstrating the presence and extent of Hodgkin’s disease, lymphoma and bronchogenic carcinoma. Positive uptake in the absence of prior symptoms warrants follow-up as an indication of a potential disease state.

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE: Neoscan may be useful to demonstrate the presence and extent of Hodgkin's disease, lymphomas, and bronchogenic carcinoma. Positive gallium Ga 67 uptake in the absence of prior symptoms warrants follow-up as an indication of a potential disease state.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: None known.

WARNINGS: This radiopharmaceutical should not be administered to children or to patients who are pregnant or to nursing mothers unless the information to be gained outweighs the potential hazards. Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, in women of childbearing capability should be performed during the first few (approximately 10) days following the onset of menses.

PRECAUTIONS: A thorough knowledge of the normal distribution of intravenously administered gallium citrate Ga 67 is essential in order to accurately interpret pathologic studies. The finding of an abnormal gallium concentration usually implies the existence of underlying pathology, but further diagnostic studies should be done to distinguish benign from malignant lesions. Neoscan is intended for use as an adjunct in the diagnosis of certain neoplasms. Negative results do not preclude the presence of disease.

Gallium citrate Ga 67 as well as other radioactive drugs, must be handled with care. Appropriate safety measures should be used to minimize radiation exposure to clinical personnel and to patients, consistent with proper patient management. No long-term animal studies have been performed to evaluate carcinogenic potential.

Adequate reproduction studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has other adverse effects on the fetus. Gallium citrate Ga 67 should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed.

Gallium citrate Ga 67 has been found to accumulate in breast milk and should not be used in nursing mothers.

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: No adverse reactions have been reported with the use of Neoscan at this time.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION: The recommended adult (70 kg) dose is 2-5 millicuries. Neoscan is intended for intravenous administration only. The patient dose should be measured by a suitable radioactivity calibration system immediately prior to administration.

Approximately 10% of the administered dose is excreted in the feces during the first week after injection. Daily laxatives and/or enemas are recommended from the first day of injection until the final images are obtained in order to cleanse the bowel of radioactive material and minimize the possibility of false positive studies.

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Warnings: The possibility of allergic reactions should be considered in patients who receive multiple doses.

Theoretically, the intravenous administration of particulate material such as aggregated albumin imposes a temporary small mechanical impendiment to blood flow. While this effect is probably physiologically insignificant in most patients the administration of aggregated albumin is possibly hazardous in acute cor pulmonale and other states of severely impaired pulmonary blood flow.

This radiopharmaceutical preparation should not be administered to children or to pregnant or lactating women unless the expected benefits to be gained outweigh the potential risks.

Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, of a woman of childbearing capability should be performed during the first few (approximately 10) days following the onset of menses.

Precautions: In cases of right-to-left cardiac shunt, additional risk may exist due to the rapid entry of aggregated albumin into the systemic circulation.

The contents of the kit are not radioactive. However, after the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained.

The labeling reactions involved in preparing the agent depend on maintaining tin in the reduced state. Any oxidant present in the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m supply may thus adversely affect the quality of the prepared agent. Hence, sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m containing oxidants, or other additives, should not be employed without first demonstrating that it is without adverse effect on the properties of the resulting agent.

The contents of the vial are sterile and non-pyrogenic. It is essential that the user follow the directions carefully and adhere to strict aseptic procedures during preparation of the radiopharmaceutical.

Technetium Tc 99m aggregated albumin is physically unstable and as such the particles will settle with time. Failure to mix the vial contents adequately before use may result in non-uniform distribution of radioactivity.

It is also recommended that, because of the increasing probability of agglomeration with aging, a batch of Technetium Tc 99m aggregated albumin not be used after eight hours from the time of reconstitution. Refrigerate at 2° to 8°C after reconstitution. If blood is withdrawn into the syringe, unnecessary delay prior to injection may result in clot formation in situ.

The contents of the vial are under a nitrogen atmosphere and should be protected from air. Do not use if clumping or foaming of the contents is observed.

Adequate reproduction studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has other adverse effects on the fetus. Technetium Tc 99m aggregated albumin should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed.

It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. As a general rule, nursing should not be undertaken while a patient is on a drug since many drugs are excreted in human milk.

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

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

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 governmental agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

Adverse Reactions: The literature contains reports of deaths occurring after the administration of aggregated albumin to patients with pre-existing severe pulmonary hypertension. Instances of hemodynamic or idiosyncratic reactions to preparations of Tc 99m-labeled aggregated albumin have been reported.

Hypersensitivity reactions are possible whenever protein-containing materials such as Tc 99m-labeled aggregated albumin are used in man. Epinephrine, antihistamines and corticosteroid agents should be available for use.

Dosage and Administration: The recommended intravenous dose range for the average patient (70kg) is 1 to 4 millicuries. The volume of the dose may vary from 0.2 to 1.3ml.

The recommended number of aggregated albumin particles to be administered per dose is 200,000-700,000 with the suggested number being approximately 350,000.

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Multi-Dose Kit for the Preparation of Technetated (Tc 99m) Aggregated Albumin (Human)

Diagnostic—For Intravenous Use

DESCRIPTION
The TechneScan MAA 10-milliliter vial contains a sterile, pyrogen-free, lyophilized mixture of 2.0 milligrams of aggregated albumin (Human), 120 micrograms of stannous chloride dihydrate, 80 milligrams of lactose, 24 milligrams of succinic acid and 1.4 milligrams of sodium acetate. TechneScan MAA is prepared from albumin that was nonreactive when tested for hepatitis B antigen (HBsAg) by radioimmunoassay. Each vial contains approximately 8 ± 2 x 10^9 aggregated albumin particles. The particle size distribution of the aggregated albumin is such that not less than 90 percent are 10 to 90 microns in size. Typically, approximately 90 percent are within the 10 to 40 micron range. There are no aggregated albumin particles greater than 150 microns in size. Reconstitution of TechneScan MAA with sterile, non-pyrogenic sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m provides a aqueous suspension of technetium Tc-99m aggregated albumin, with a labeling efficiency of 90 percent or greater.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE
TechneScan MAA Tc 99m is indicated only for scintigraphic imaging of the lungs as an adjunct to other diagnostic procedures whenever information about pulmonary circulation is desired.

CONTRAINDICATIONS
TechneScan MAA Tc 99m should not be administered to patients with severe pulmonary hypertension.

The use of TechneScan MAA Tc 99m is contraindicated in persons with a history of hypersensitivity reactions to products containing human serum albumin.

WARNINGS
The possibility of allergic reactions should be considered in patients who receive multiple doses of TechneScan MAA Tc 99m.

Theoretically, the intravenous administration of particulate material such as aggregated albumin imposes a temporary small mechanical impediment to blood flow. While this effect is probably physiologically insignificant in most patients the administration of aggregated albumin is possibly hazardous in acute or pulmonary and other states of severely impaired pulmonary blood flow.

This radiopharmaceutical preparation should not be administered to persons under the age of 18, to pregnant women or to nursing mothers unless the expected benefits to be gained outweigh the potential risks.

Ideally, examination using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, of women of childbearing capability should be performed during the first few (approximately 10) days following the onset of menses.

PRECAUTIONS
In cases of right-to-left cardiac shunt, additional risk may exist due to the rapid entry of aggregated albumin particles into the systemic circulation.

The contents of the TechneScan MAA kit are not radioactive. However, after the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained.

The labeling reactions involved in preparing TechneScan MAA Tc 99m depend upon maintaining tin in the reduced state. Any oxidants present in the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m may thus adversely affect the quality of the preparation. Hence, sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m containing oxidizing agents is not suitable for preparation of TechneScan MAA Tc 99m.

The contents of the TechneScan MAA vial are sterile and pyrogen free. It is essential that the user follow the directions carefully and adhere to strict aseptic procedures during preparation of the radiopharmaceutical.

TechneScan MAA Tc 99m is a suspension and as such the particles will settle with time. Failure to mix the vial contents adequately before use may result in a non-uniform distribution of radioactivity in the lungs.

It is also recommended that, because of the increasing probability of agglomeration with aging, a batch of Technetium Tc 99m aggregated albumin will not be used after eight hours from the time of reconstitution. Refrigerate at 2°C to 8°C after reconstitution. If blood is withdrawn into the syringe, unnecessary delay prior to injection may result in clot formation in situ.

The contents of the vial are under a nitrogen atmosphere and should be protected from air. On reconstitution with pertechnetate Tc 99m, the contents of the vial should be mixed by gentle swirling to avoid changes in particle size. Do not use if clumping or foaming of the contents is observed.

Adverse reproduction studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has other adverse effects on the fetus. Technetium Tc 99m aggregated albumin should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed.

It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. As a general rule, nursing should not be undertaken while a patient is on a drug since many drugs are excreted in human milk.

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

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

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 governmental agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

ADVERSE REACTIONS
The literature contains reports of deaths occurring after the administration of aggregated albumin to patients with pre-existing severe pulmonary hypertension. Instances of hemodynamic or idiosyncratic reactions to preparations of Tc 99m-labeled aggregated albumin have been reported.

Hypersensitivity reactions are possible whenever protein-containing materials such as Tc 99m labeled aggregated albumin are used in man. Epinephrine, antihistamines and corticosteroid agents should be available for use.

DOSEAGE AND ADMINISTRATION
The recommended intravenous dose range for the average patient (70 kg) is 1 to 4 milliluries. The volume of the dose may vary from 0.4 to 1.0 ml.

The recommended number of aggregated albumin particles to be administered per dose is 200,000-1,200,000 with the suggested number being approximately 600,000.

HOW SUPPLIED
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TechneScan MAA Kit (Lyophilized)

Kit Contains:
5—Aggregated Albumin (Human) Reaction Vials
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Reaction Vial Contains (in lyophilized form):
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120 µg Stannous Chloride Dihydrate
80 mg Lactose
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1.4 mg Sodium Acetate
Hydrochloric Acid or Sodium Hydroxide is added for pH adjustment.

Each vial contains 8 ± 2 x 10^9 aggregated albumin particles.

TechneScan MAA contains no preservatives; after reconstitution, the shielded vial should be stored at 2°C to 8°C.

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Indications and Usage
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Combined radionuclide ventriculography and imaging of the lungs (thromboembolography, TEG) with Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection is indicated as an adjunct to other diagnostic procedures where deep venous thrombosis in the lower extremities is suspected.

Contraindications
Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection should not be administered to patients with severe pulmonary hypertension. The use of Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection is contraindicated in persons with a history of hypersensitivity reactions to products containing human serum albumin.

Warnings
The possibility of allergic reactions should be considered in patients who receive multiple doses.

Theoretically, the intravenous administration of particulate material such as Albumin Microspheres imposes a temporary small mechanical impediment to blood flow. While this effect is probably physiologically insignificant in most patients, the administration of Albumin Microspheres is possibly hazardous in acute coronary and other states of severely impaired pulmonary blood flow.

This radiopharmaceutical preparation should not be administered to children or to pregnant or lactating women unless the expected benefits to be gained outweigh the potential risks.

Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, of a woman of childbearing capability should be performed during the first few (approximately 10) days following the onset of menses.

Precautions
In cases of right-to-left cardiac shunt, additional risk may exist due to the rapid entry of Albumin Microspheres into the systemic circulation.

The contents of the kit are not radioactive. However, after the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained.

The labeling reactions involved in preparing the agent depend on maintaining Tc in the reduced state. Any oxidant present in the sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m supply may thus adversely affect the quality of the prepared agent. Hence, sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m containing oxidants or other additives should not be employed without first demonstrating that it is without adverse effect on the properties of the resulting agent.

The contents of the vial are sterile and non-pyrogenic. It is essential that the user follows the directions carefully and adheres to strict aseptic procedures during preparation of the radiopharmaceutical.

The suspended Albumin Microspheres will settle with time. Failure to mix the vial contents adequately before use may result in nonuniform distribution of radioactivity.

It is also recommended that Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection not be used after eight hours from the time of reconstitution. Refrigerate at 2°C to 8°C after reconstitution. If blood is withdrawn from the syringe, unnecessary delay prior to injection may result in clot formation in situ.

If aggregation of the Albumin Microspheres is observed, the vial should be sonicated or shaken vigorously.

Adequate reproduction studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has other adverse effects on the fetus. Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed.

It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. As a general rule, nursing should not be undertaken while a patient is on a drug since many drugs are excreted in human milk.

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

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

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 competent governmental agency authorized to license the use of radionuclides.

Adverse Reactions
The most frequently reported adverse reactions associated with the use of Technetium Tc 99m Albumin Microspheres Injection are transient facial flushing and dyspnea. Less frequent adverse reactions are transient nausea, perspiration, and cyanosis. An adverse reaction, which occurs rarely, is severe respiratory distress.

The literature contains reports of deaths occurring after the administration of aggregated albumin to patients with pre-existing severe pulmonary hypertension. Instances of hemodynamic or idiosyncratic reactions to preparations of Tc 99m labeled aggregated albumin have been reported.


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DESCRIPTION: Thallous Chloride Ti 201 is supplied in isotonic solution as a sterile, nonpyrogenic diagnostic radiopharmaceutical for intravenous administration. The aqueous solution at calibration time contains 1mCi/ml Thallous Chloride Ti 201, adjusted to pH 4.5-6.5 by the addition of hydrochloric acid and/or sodium hydroxide solution. It is made isotonic with 0.9% sodium chloride and is preserved with 0.9% benzyl alcohol. Thallium Ti 201 has a half-life of 73.1 hours and is cyclotron-produced. It is essentially carrier-free, and contains less than 0.25% lead Pb 203 and less than 0.1% Thallium Ti 202.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Thallium Ti 201 decays by electron capture to Mercury Hg 201 with a physical half-life of 73.1 hours.1 Photons that are useful for detection and imaging are listed in Table 1. The lower energy X-rays obtained from the Mercury Hg 201 daughter of Ti 201 are recommended for myocardial imaging, because the mean %disintegration at 68-80.3 keV is much greater than the combination of gamma-4 and gamma-6 mean %disintegration.

Table 1. Principal Radiation Emission Data

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<th>Radiation</th>
<th>Mean Energy (keV)</th>
<th>Mean % Disintegration</th>
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<td>Gamma-4</td>
<td>2.65</td>
<td>135.3</td>
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<td>Gamma-6</td>
<td>10.0</td>
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<td>Mercury X-rays</td>
<td>94.5</td>
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Table 2. Radiation Attenuation By Lead Shielding

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<th>Coefficient of Attenuation</th>
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To correct for physical decay of this radionuclide, the fractions that remain at selected intervals before and after calibration are shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Thallium Ti 201 Decay Chart: Half-Life 73.1 Hours

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<th>Fraction Remaining Hours Remaining</th>
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Table 4. Radiation Dose Estimates of Thallous Chloride Ti 201: Absorbed Dose/1mCi of Thallium Ti 201 Administered

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<th>Organ</th>
<th>Absorbed Dose (mrem)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Heart</td>
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<tr>
<td>Small Intestines</td>
<td>0.97</td>
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<tr>
<td>Kidneys</td>
<td>2.2</td>
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<td>Liver</td>
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<td>Red Marrow</td>
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<td>Testes</td>
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<td>Thyroid</td>
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<td>Total Body</td>
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The estimated absorbed radiation dose2 to an average patient (70kg) from an intravenous injection of a maximum dose of 1.5 milli- curies of Ti 201 is shown in Table 4.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: Adverse reactions related to use of this agent have not been reported to date.

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INDICATIONS AND USAGE: Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin complex may be used as a bone imaging agent to delineate areas of altered osteogenesis. It is also a cardiac imaging agent used as an adjunct in the diagnosis of acute myocardial infarction.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: None known.

WARNINGS: This product should not be administered to patients who are pregnant or to nursing mothers unless the benefits to be gained outweigh the potential hazards. Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, of a woman of child-bearing capability should be performed during the first few (approx. 10) days following the onset of menses.

It has been reported that false-positive or false-negative brain scans may result when brain scans using sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m are performed after a bone scan has been done using an agent containing stannous ions, e.g., a pyrophosphate bone agent. This is thought to be due to the interaction of Tc 99m with stannous ions inside red blood cells. Therefore, in those cases where brain scans are indicated along with imaging of bone or myocardial imaging, the brain scan should be performed first, if feasible. Alternatively, another brain imaging agent, such as Tc 99m DTPA, may be employed. False-positive and false-negative myocardial scans may occur; therefore, the diagnosis of acute myocardial infarction depends on the overall assessment of laboratory and clinical findings.

The contents of the Phosphotec reaction vial are intended only for use in the preparation of Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin solution and are not to be directly administered to the patient. Any sodium pertechnetate 99mTc solution which contains an oxidizing agent is not suitable for use with Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin Kit. The contents of the kit are not radioactive. However, after sodium pertechnetate 99mTc is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained. Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin Solution must be used within 12 hours of reconstitution.

PRECAUTIONS: Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin solution, as well as other radioactive drugs, must be handled with care and appropriate safety measures should be used to minimize radiation exposure to clinical personnel. Also, care should be taken to minimize radiation exposure to the patients consistent with proper patient management. Both prior to and following administration of Technetium Tc 99m-Pyrophosphate-Tin solution, the patient should be encouraged to drink fluids and to void as often as possible thereafter to minimize radiation exposure to the bladder and background interference during imaging if not contraindicated by the patient's cardiac status. The patient's cardiac condition should be stable before beginning the cardiac imaging procedure. Interference from chest wall lesions such as breast tumors and healing rib fractures can be minimized by employing three projections (e.g., anterior, lateral, and left anterior oblique).

Adequate reproductive studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has other adverse effects on the fetus. This drug should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed. It is not known whether this drug is excreted in human milk. As a general rule, nursing should not be undertaken while a patient is on the drug since many drugs are excreted in human milk. Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

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Contraindications: None known.

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Bone Imaging: Both prior to and following Tc99m-labeled OSTEOSCAN administration, patients should be encouraged to drink fluids. Patients should void as soon as possible after the Tc99m-labeled OSTEOSCAN injection to minimize background interference from accumulation in the bladder and unnecessary exposure to radiation.

Cardiac Imaging: Patient's cardiac condition should be stable before beginning the cardiac imaging procedure. If not contraindicated by the cardiac status, patients should be encouraged to ingest fluids and to void frequently in order to reduce unnecessary radiation exposure.

Interference from chest wall lesions such as breast tumors and healing rib fractures can be minimized by employing the three recommended projections.

Adverse reactions: None known.

Dosage and administration: The recommended adult dose of Tc99m-labeled OSTEOSCAN is 10-15 mCi. The activity of each dose should be measured by a suitable radiation calibration system just prior to administration. The dose should be given intravenously by slow injection. For optimal results bone imaging should be done 2-4 hours post injection and cardiac imaging 1-1½ hours post injection. The acute myocardial infarct can be visualized from 1-8 days following onset of symptoms with maximum uptake at 2-3 days. It is recommended that three projections of the heart be made (anterior, left anterior oblique and left lateral).
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### Contraindications

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### Precautions

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### Adverse reactions

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### Dosage and administration

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DESCRIPTION: New England Nuclear's OSTEOLITE™ Technetium Tc 99m Medronate Sodium Kit (formerly known as MDP) is supplied sterile and non-pyrogenic in lyophilized kit form suitable for reconstitution with sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m to form a diagnostic skeletal imaging agent for intravenous administration. Each vial contains 10mg medronate disodium and 0.85mg stannous chloride dihydrate; pH is adjusted to between 7.0—7.5 with hydrochloric acid and/or sodium hydroxide solution. The contents of the vial are lyophilized and stored under nitrogen.

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS: Technetium Tc 99m decays by isomeric transition with a physical half-life of 6.02 hours. (SOURCE: Martin, M. J. Nuclear Data Project, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, March, 1976.) Photons are useful for imaging studies are listed in Table 1.

| Table 1. Principal Radiation Emission Data — Technetium Tc 99m |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Radiation       | Disintegration  | Energy (keV)    |
| Gamma-2         | 88.96           | 140.5           |

To facilitate correction for physical decay of Technetium Tc 99m, the fractions of initial activity that remain at selected intervals after the time of calibration are shown in Table 2.

| Table 2. Physical Decay Chart: Technetium Tc 99m Half-Life 6.02 Hours |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fraction Remaining | Hours          | Fraction Remaining |
| 0.0             | 1.000           | 8               |
| 1               | 891             | 9               |
| 2               | 794             | 10              |
| 3               | 708             | 11              |
| 4               | 631             | 12              |
| 5               | 562             | 13              |
| 6               | 501             | 14              |
| 7               | 447             | 15              |

*Calibration Time: 5% of initial activity remains.

EXTERNAL RADIATION: The specific gamma ray constant for Technetium Tc 99m is 0.89x10^-3 mCi-hr at 1cm. The half value layer is 0.22mm Pb. To facilitate control of radiation exposure from milliCurie amounts of Technetium Tc 99m, the use of a 6.35mm thick standard radiation elution lead shield will attenuate the radiation emitted by a factor greater than 10^-4.

| Table 3. Radiation Attenuation By Lead Shielding |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Shield Thickness (mm) | Coefficient of Attenuation |
| 0.2             | 0.05            | 10^-4           |
| 0.5             | 0.05            | 10^-4           |
| 0.8             | 0.05            | 10^-4           |
| 1.0             | 0.05            | 10^-4           |
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| 7.0             | 0.05            | 10^-4           |

CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY: Upon intravenous injection, Technetium Tc 99m OSTEOLITE exhibits a specific affinity for areas of altered osteogenesis. In humans, blood levels fall to 4-10% of the injected dose by two hours post-injection and to 3-5% by three hours. During the next 24 hours following its administration, in patients with normal renal function, 50-75% of the radioactivity is excreted into the urine and less than 2% of the injected dose remains in the vascular system. Uptake of the Technetium Tc 99m in bone appears to be related to osteogenic activity and to skeletal blood perfusion. The deposition in the skeleton is bilaterally symmetrical, with increased accumulation in the axial structure as compared to the appendicular skeleton. There is increased activity in the distal aspect of long bones as compared to the diaphyses. In pediatric patients, in whom the epiphyseal centers are still open, there is more marked accumulation of the radiopharmaceutical in the distal regions of long bones than is seen in adults in whom the epiphyseal centers are closed. Localized areas of abnormal accumulation of the radiopharmaceutical may be seen in primary skeletal malignancies, metastatic malignancies to bone, acute or chronic osteomyelitis, arthritis, recent fractures, areas of aseptic calcification, Paget's disease, regions of recent osteogenesis, and, in general, any pathological situation involving bone in which there is increased osteogenic activity or localized increased osseous blood perfusion. Since increased osteogenic activity and localized increased osseous blood perfusion is often associated with chronic bone diseases, bone imaging agents, in general, are not effective in detecting such diseases. Localized areas of decreased accumulation of the radiopharmaceutical may be noted in areas of bone which have received localized fields of external radiation or to which blood flow has been interrupted. OSTEOLITE has also been noted to accumulate in areas of acute myocardial infarction from one to fourteen days following the pathologic event.

INDICATIONS AND USAGE: Technetium Tc 99m OSTEOLITE may be used as a bore imaging agent to delineate areas of altered osteogenesis.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: None known.

WARNINGS: The contents of the OSTEOLITE vial are intended only for use in the preparation of Technetium Tc 99m medronate sodium and are NOT to be directly administered to the patient.

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PRECAUTIONS: A thorough knowledge of the normal distribution of intravenously administered Technetium Tc 99m medronate sodium is essential in order to accurately interpret pathologic studies. Technetium Tc 99m medronate sodium, as well as any radiopharmaceutical, must be handled with care. Once sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m is added to the kit, appropriate safety measures should be used to minimize external radiation exposure to clinical personnel. Care should also be taken to minimize radiation exposure to patients in a manner consistent with proper patient management.

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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.

SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS: Have not been established.

ADVERSE REACTIONS: None reported.

DOSE AND ADMINISTRATION: The recommended dose for the average 70kg adult patient is 5mCi with a range of 10-20mCi. The patient dose should be measured by a suitable radioactivity calibration system immediately prior to administration. Optimal imaging results are obtained within one to four hours after administration.

OSTEOLITE should be used within six hours after aseptic reconstitution with sodium pertechnetate Tc 99m. For optimum results this time should be minimized. The vial contains no bacteriostat.

Radiopharmaceuticals should be used by persons who are qualified by specific training in the safe use and handling of radionucleides produced by nuclear reactor or particle accelerator and whose experience and training have been approved by the appropriate governmental agencies authorized to license the use of radionucleides.

RADIATION DOSIMETRY: The estimated absorbed radiation dose to an average patient (70kg) from an intravenous injection of a maximum dose of 20 millicuries of Technetium Tc 99m OSTEOLITE is shown in Table 4.

| Table 4. Absorbed Radiation Dose Technetium Tc 99m Medronate Sodium Organ (rads/20mCi) |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total Body      | 0.13            | Bone Total      | 0.70            |
| Red Marrow      | 0.96            | Kidneys         | 0.62            |
| Liver           | 0.16            | Bladder Wall    | 2.60            |
|                | 4.8            | Urines          | 0.24            |
|                | 4.6            | Tests           | 0.16            |
|                | 4.6            | Total           | 0.22            |


HOW SUPPLIED: OSTEOLITE™ Technetium Tc 99m Medronate Sodium Kit is supplied as a set of five or thirty vials, sterile and non-pyrogenic. Each nitrogen-flushed vial contains in lyophilized form: Medronate Disodium—10mg Stannous Chloride Dihydrate—0.85mg The pH is adjusted to between 7.0—7.5 with hydrochloric acid and/or sodium hydroxide solution. The contents of the vials were lyophilized under nitrogen. Store at room temperature (15°-30° C), included in each five (5) vial kit is one (1) package insert and six (6) radiation labels. Included in each thirty (30) vial kit is one (1) package insert and thirty-six (36) radiation labels.

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physical characteristics

Technetium Tc 99m decays by isomeric transition with a physical half-life of 6.0 hours (1). Photons that are useful for detection and imaging studies are listed in Table I.

table I. principal radiation emission data

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external radiation

The specific gamma ray constant for Technetium Tc 99m is 0.8 R/micrule/four-hour at 1 cm. The first half-value thickness of lead (Pb) for Technetium Tc 99m is 0.2 mm. A range of values for the relative attenuation of the radiation emitted by this radionuclide that results from increasing thicknesses of Pb is shown in Table II. For example, the use of 2.7 mm of Pb will decrease the external radiation exposure by a factor of 1,000.

To correct for physical decay of this radionuclide, the fraction (f) that remains at selected intervals relative to the time of calibration are shown in Table III.

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table II. radiation attenuation by lead shielding

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To correct for physical decay of this radionuclide, the fraction (f) that remains at selected intervals relative to the time of calibration are shown in Table III.


table III. physical decay chart

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*Calibration Time. (Time of Preparation)

clinical pharmacology

Normal Human Serum Albumin, being a normal component of blood, leaves the vascular space at a rate slow enough to permit imaging procedures utilizing radioactive tags. Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin does not rapidly leak from the vascular space, nor is there significant accumulation in tissues other than those of the excretion, the kidney and bladder. Therefore, the vascular system may be imaged with a mini-

mur of background and organ interference. In humans, a two-component blood clearance rate is observed. The T1/2 slow component ranging from 10 to 18 hours. Twenty-four hour urine clearance averaged 39%.

indications and usage

Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin is used as an agent for imaging the heart blood pool and to assist in the detection of pericardial effusion and ventricular aneurysm.

contraindications

The use of Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin is contraindicated in persons with a history of hypersensitivity reactions to products containing human serum albumin.

warnings

The contents of the kit are not radioactive. However, after the Sodium Pertechnetate Tc 99m is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained.

This radiopharmaceutical preparation should not be administered to children or to patients who are pregnant or to nursing mothers unless the expected benefits to be gained outweigh the potential hazards.

Ideally, examinations using radiopharmaceuticals, especially those elective in nature, of women of childbearing capacity should be performed during the first few (approximately 10) days following the onset of menses.

precautions

The components of the kit are sterile and pyrogen-free. It is essential that the user follows the directions carefully and adheres to strict aseptic procedures during preparation of the radiodiagnostic.

Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin must not be used after three hours from the time of preparation. Adequate reproduction studies have not been performed in animals to determine whether this drug affects fertility in males or females, has teratogenic potential, or has any adverse effects on the fetus. Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin should be used in pregnant women only when clearly needed.

It is not known if it is excreted in human milk. As a general rule, nursing should not be undertaken while a patient is on a drug since many drugs are excreted in human milk.

Safety and effectiveness in children have not been established.

Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin, as well as other radiopharmaceuticals, must be handled with care and appropriate safety measures should be used to minimize external radiation exposure to clinical personnel. Also, care should be taken to minimize radiocardiography exposure to patients, consistent with proper patient management.

The labeling reactions involved in preparing the agent depend on maintaining the tin in the reduced state. Any oxidant present in the Sodium Pertechnetate Tc 99m supply may adversely affect the quality of the prepared agent. Hence, Sodium Pertechnetate Tc 99m containing oxidants, or other additives, should not be employed without first demonstrating that it is without adverse effect on the properties of the resulting agent.

Adverse reactions

Hypersensitivity reactions are possible wherever protein-containing materials such as Technetium Tc 99m labeled human serum albumin are used in man. Epinephrine, antihistamines and corticosteroid agents should be available for use.

dosage and administration

The suggested intravenous dose used in the average patient (70 kg) is 3.5 microcuries of Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin.

Each dose should be measured by a suitable radioactivity calibration system immediately prior to administration.

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

radiation dosimetry

The estimated absorbed radiation doses to an average patient (70 kg) for an intravenous injection of a maximum dose of 5 microcuries of Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin are shown in Table IV.

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how supplied

kit contents

10 STERILE UNIT DOSE REACTION VIALS (5 cc, gold aluminum oversealed), each containing 7 mg human serum albumin and 0.06 mg stannous tartrate, hydrolyzed. Hydrochloric acid was added prior to lyophilization of formulation.

20 PRESSURE-SENSITIVE LABELS for final Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin preparation.

1 PACKAGE INSERT.

storage

Store kit contents in refrigerator (2-8°C). Do not freeze.

disposal

The residual materials may be discarded in ordinary trash provided the vials and syringes read background with an appropriate low range survey meter. It is suggested that all identifying labels be destroyed before discarding.

directions

The following directions must be carefully followed for optimum preparation of the Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin.

1. Aseptically swab rubber septum of sterile vial containing the sterile, lyophilized human serum albumin.

2. Aseptically inject 0.5 ml of Sterile Water for Injection, withdraw an equal volume of air.

3. Mix contents by swirling.

4. Place vial in appropriate lead shield.*

*Use Unit Dose vial shield. Catalog No. 17500050.

5. Aseptically swab rubber septum of shielded vial.

6. Aseptically inject 1.3 ml of Sodium Pertechnetate Tc 99m having a maximum activity of 30 microcurie/ml into the vial, withdraw equal volume of air.

7. Mix contents of vial by gentle shaking for 10 seconds.

8. Affix pressure-sensitive label to shielded vial.

9. Allow to stand for 20 minutes after mixing to allow maximum tagging.

10. The TECHNETIUM 99m HSA is ready for use.

11. Mix contents of vial (step 7) prior to withdrawing patient dose.

12. Mix contents of syringe by repeated inversion immediately prior to injection.


14. Do not use the preparation after 3 hours from the time of mixing.

The radioactivity concentration of the final Technetium Tc 99m Human Serum Albumin preparation may be calculated by using the following formula:

C = A/V where C equals radioactivity concentration of the preparation (microcuries/ml).

A = Tc 99m activity added to the rection mixture vessel (microcuries).

V = Total volume in the final mixture (ml).

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