

What is an Octreoscan?

Octreoscan is a diagnostic imaging test that can find primary and metastatic neuroendocrine tumors.

How Do I Prepare for a Octreoscan?

You will be asked to empty your bladder before the scan begins. If you need to return for another set of pictures at 24 and 48 hours, you may be asked to take a mild laxative prior to those scans.

What Will I Experience During the Octreoscan?

When you arrive at the nuclear medicine department at the Imaging Center an IV will be placed in a vein in your arm. The nuclear medicine technologist injects a special radioactive “tracer”. This “tracer” will help visualize the scanned images.

You will lie on your back on the exam table. You can breath normally during the scan, but please stay as still as possible. Pictures or images will be taken of different locations on your body. The scanning process usually takes 1-2 hours.

What Happens to the Radioactive Material in My Body?

Most of the radioactive material will be eliminated in your urine and stool. The rest will simply disappear over a short period of time.

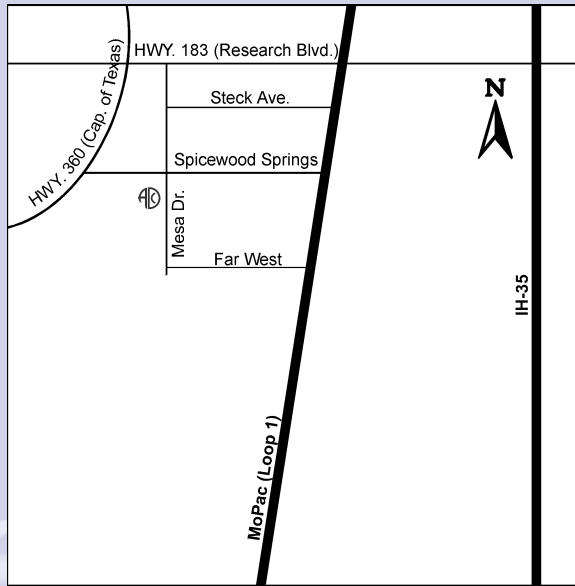
When Can I Resume My Normal Daily Activities?

You can resume your normal daily activities immediately after the scan.

Who Interprets the Results? Who Will Tell Me the Results?

A physician who has specialized training in nuclear medicine will interpret the octreoscan images. A report will be dictated and sent to your physician. It usually takes 1-2 days for your physician to receive the results. Please contact your physician for your results.





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