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Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) With Gadolinium

Informed Consent

Your MRI examination may include images made after an injection of gadopentetate dimeglumine (subsequently referred to as gadolinium or contrast material). The gadolinium injection may allow the radiologists to identify additional details about your condition that might not be apparent without the use of gadolinium. In some areas, the examination is much less useful if gadolinium is not used.

Gadolinium will be injected into a vein at which time there may be slight burning at the injection site. Gadolinium is filtered out of the bloodstream by your kidneys and eliminated from your body in your urine. Gadolinium will be eliminated from your body approximately 24 hours after injection.

Side effects are very rare; the most common are nausea and/or vomiting, headache, and local discomfort at the injection site. Severe reactions are extremely rare.

I understand that I have the right to refuse the use of gadolinium and still undergo the imaging scan, although it may limit the usefulness of this scan.

We do not currently use gadolinium in patients who are pregnant or nursing nor in patients with certain kinds of anemia or sickle cell disease.

I have read and understand the above explanation. I am not pregnant or nursing and I haven't been diagnosed with Anemia or Sickle Cell. As such I am aware of my choices and I fully consent to the examination.

Patient Signature: _____ Date _____

Signature of parent, guardian, or other legally responsible person if patient is a minor, disabled or otherwise unable to consent:
_____ Date _____

Witness: _____ Date _____