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Nuclear Medicine: Gallium-67 Imaging Procedure

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What is a Gallium-67 Imaging Procedure?

Gallium-67 imaging is primarily performed to find areas of infection in the body. This exam can also be used for tumor localization and abscess imaging.

Preparation:

There is no special preparation for this exam.

PLEASE BRING A LIST OF CURRENT MEDICATIONS YOU ARE TAKING.

Procedure:

Gallium-67 Imaging has two steps.

Step 1:

When you arrive, a nuclear medicine technologist will obtain a brief history resulting in this exam. Once obtained, the technologist will inject Gallium-67 Citrate into a vein in your arm. The process will take approximately 30 minutes.

Step 2:

48 hours after the injection, you will return to be imaged. Images are obtained while lying supine on an imaging table. The process will take approximately 45 minutes. Additional imaging may be needed that will take another 30-45 minutes.

Parking/Registration:

Park in the Mercy Medical Center 10th Street Parking Ramp, located at the corner of 10th Street and 8th Ave. SE. You will be pre-registered, so you can proceed to **Ground (G)** level and follow the signs to "Radiology (X-Ray)," also located on Ground (G) level.

Procedure Results (Who interprets the results):

A radiologist will review the images shortly after the exam is completed. A written report will be sent to your doctor. Your doctor will discuss the results with you. Please allow your physician time to review these results, usually 2 business days after the exam.

Your appointment date and time:

Procedure date: _____

Procedure time: _____

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