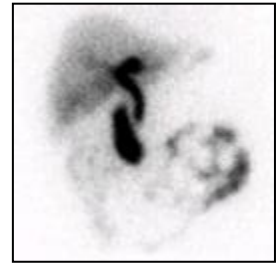


Nuclear Medicine: CCK/HIDA Scan

What is a CCK/HIDA scan?

A CCK/HIDA scan is a test to evaluate your gallbladder. For this scan, patients have an IV injection of radioactive material and images taken of the gallbladder. This test usually takes 2 hours.



Do I need to prepare for this test?

Yes!

- Do you not take any **pain medicine** during the **6 hours before** to your appointment.
- Do not **eat or drink** anything during the **4 hours before** your appointment.
- You should wear comfortable clothing.

What is the test like?

- An IV is inserted into your arm and radioactive material is injected. Side effects to this radioactive material are extremely rare. However, tell the technologist if you are breastfeeding or if there is any chance of pregnancy.
- After the injection you must sit for 45 minutes.
- After sitting for 45 minutes, you will lie on an exam table with the camera over your abdomen. The technologist will take a series of pictures during 1 hour.

What happens after the CCK/HIDA scan?

You may go back to your regular activities. A nuclear medicine radiologist will review the images and send a report to your doctor.

If you have any questions about this test, please feel free to contact Nuclear Medicine, at (203) 688-5610