

When will I get my results?

The consultant radiologist will read your MRI scan. Your doctor will receive the results with 48 hours of your exam being completed

Tell us what you think!

We always appreciate your feedback, so please don't hesitate to tell us what you think using our patient feedback forms.

If you have any further queries, please talk to the radiographer or our administration team, or contact us on: 1800 456225

My Notes

*Please feel free to
ask the radiographer if you have
any questions*



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MRI Patient Information



What is an MRI scan?

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) produces high resolution pictures of any part of the body in any direction. The scanner uses a high-strength magnet, radio waves and computers to generate images. MRI does not use x-rays.

Is the MRI scan painful?

No the scan is not painful.

What happens during the MRI scan?

The radiographer will position you on a couch which slides into the MRI scanner. You will be asked to keep still while we take your images.

MRI is a safe procedure, but the scanner is very noisy when it is taking pictures so we will provide you with ear protection. We will be able to play music during your scan so you may like to bring a CD with you to listen to.

There are no after-effects from your scan so you can carry on with all your normal activities (driving, for example) straight away.

What if I am pregnant?

We do not carry out scanning in the first three months of pregnancy unless essential. If you think you might be pregnant, please tell the radiographer prior to your scan.



Will I need an injection?

Occasionally we will need to give you an injection of contrast (a dye which makes blood vessels and organs show up more clearly) to give better images. This is normally given into the arm or the back of the hand by a qualified member of staff. If you are breastfeeding, please inform us before your appointment.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please contact us before coming for your scan if you have any doubts about whether you are suitable for MRI or if you have, or have had, any of the following:

- * A pacemaker.
- * An artificial heart valve.
- * Aneurysm clips (these are metal clips that are inserted during some operations, especially in the blood vessels or the brain).
- * Metal fragments in the eye, head or body (if you suspect that a metal fragment may have entered your eye, particularly if you have ever worked with a lathe or metal grinding equipment please contact us for advice immediately).
- * Any surgery in the six weeks before your appointment.
- * Any surgery which involved placing implants in your head or body.

How long will it take?

Usually the actual scan takes no longer than 20 minutes. This can depend on what part of your body is being scanned.