

HIDA Scan (Biliary)

An HIDA Scan (Biliary) is used to evaluate the function of your gallbladder and sphincter of oddi dysfunction.

Patient Preparation

No food or drink 4-6 hours before the exam.

Procedure

You will receive a small amount of radiopharmaceutical and images will then be obtained. This will take approximately 1-2 hours. In some instances, delayed images may be needed 3-4 hours later.

The amount of radiation needed for the exam is minimal and the body eliminates the tracer material typically within twenty-four hours.

Tell the technologist if you have any allergies and if you are undergoing radiation therapy because these factors may require adjustments in how the examination is performed. Also, let the technologist know if you are pregnant or breastfeeding as nuclear medicine tests are usually not recommended for pregnant women.