

Austin Radiological Association Interventional Fluoro Procedure Upper Extremity Venogram

Overview

- Assesses blockage, lesions, or thrombosis in the veins of the arms, neck, and axillary region.
- The use of fluoroscopic systems for interventional purposes is restricted to radiologists and individuals to whom a physician has delegated authority pursuant to the Occupations Code, Chapter 601, and the applicable rules of the Texas Medical Board.

Indications

- Evaluate for blockage
- Evaluate for lesions
- Evaluate for thrombosis

Examination Time

• 30 minutes

Patient Preparation

- Obtain informed consent
- Question for allergies

Equipment

- Siemens C-arm
- Omnipaque 350
- Syringes

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Reviewed: 1/26/2024 Revised: • IV extension tubing

Patient Position & Imaging Field

• Supine

Acquisition Protocol - Routine Study

- Radiologist performs fluoroscopy and acquires images
- Technologist injects contrast as instructed by Radiologist

Data Processing

- Technologist will send images taken to PACS (Picture Archiving and Communication System).
- Technologist will enter exposure time in the appropriate field of RIS (Radiology Information System).
- Technologist will enter DAP (Dose Area Product) and SEE (Skin Entrance Exposure) into the technologist notes field of the RIS.

Radiation Exposure levels

- Recommended operator guidance reference level for this fluoroscopically guided interventional procedure is 60 minutes beam-on time. Threshold reference level is a SEE of 5 Gy (Gray).
- Radiation Exposure levels are monitored through the Austin Radiological Association's monthly technologist QA process.
- If the reference level is exceeded, further analysis will be performed by the Protocol Committee and appropriate action taken to include possible patient follow-up.

Protocol Review

• Not to exceed 14 months.

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