

Half-life

The biological myocardial half-life of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi is approximately 7 hours at rest and stress. The effective half-life (which includes biological and physical half-lives) is approximately 3 hours for the heart and approximately 30 minutes for the liver.

5.3 Preclinical safety data

In acute intravenous toxicity studies in mice, rats and dogs, the lowest dose of the reconstituted kit that resulted in any deaths was 7 mg/kg (expressed as Cu (MIBI)4 BF4 content) in female rats. This corresponds to 500 times the maximal human dose (MHD) of 0.014 mg/kg for adults (70 kg). Neither rats nor dogs exhibited treatment related effects at reconstituted kit doses of 0.42 mg/kg (30 times MHD) and 0.07 mg/kg (5 times MHD) respectively for 28 days. At repeated dose administration, the first toxicity symptoms appeared during the administration of 150 times the daily dose during 28 days. Extravasation administration in animals showed acute inflammation with oedema and haemorrhages at the injected site.

Studies on reproductive toxicity have not been conducted.

Cu (MIBI)4 BF4 showed no genotoxic activity in the Ames, CHO/HPRT and sister chromatid exchange tests. At cytotoxic concentrations, an increase in chromosome aberration was observed in the *in vitro* human lymphocyte assay. No genotoxic activity was observed in the *in vivo* mouse micronucleus test at 9 mg/kg.

Studies to assess the carcinogenic potential of the radiopharmaceutical kit have not been conducted.

6. PHARMACEUTICAL PARTICULARS

6.1 List of excipients

Stannous (II) Chloride Dihydrate
Tetrasodium Pyrophosphate Decahydrate
L-Cysteine hydrochloride monohydrate
Glycine
Sodium Chloride

6.2 Incompatibilities

This medicinal product must not be mixed with other medicinal products except those mentioned in section 12.

6.3 Shelf life

30 months

After radiolabelling: 8 hours. Do not store above 25 °C after radiolabelling.

6.4 Special precautions for storage

Do not store above 25°C. Keep the vials in the outer carton in order to protect from light.

For storage conditions after radiolabelling of the medicinal product, see section 6.3.

Storage of radiopharmaceuticals should be in accordance with national regulation on radioactive materials.

6.5 Nature and contents of container

8 ml, colourless, Type I, borosilicat glass vials, closed with chlorobutyl rubber stopper and plastic-aluminium caps (polypropylene-aluminium caps) with turned up edge.

Pack sizes:

- 1 pack contains 6 vials.
- Hospital packs: Bundle pack of 2 packs of 6 vials.
- Bundle pack of 4 packs of 6 vials.

Not all pack sizes may be marketed.

6.6 Special precautions for disposal and other handling

General warnings

Radiopharmaceuticals should be received, used and administered only by authorised persons in designated clinical settings. Their receipt, storage, use, transfer and disposal are subject to the regulations and/or appropriate licences of the competent official organisation.

Radiopharmaceuticals should be prepared in a manner which satisfies both radiation safety and pharmaceutical quality requirements. Appropriate aseptic precautions should be taken.

Contents of the vial are intended only for use in the preparation of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi and are not to be administered directly to the patient without first undergoing the preparative procedure.

For instructions on extemporary preparation of the medicinal product before administration, see section 12.

If at any time in the preparation of this product the integrity of this vial is compromised it should not be used.

Administration procedures should be carried out in a way to minimise risk of contamination of the medicinal product and irradiation of the operators. Adequate shielding is mandatory.

The content of the kit before extemporary preparation is not radioactive. However, after sodium pertechnetate (^{99m}Tc), is added, adequate shielding of the final preparation must be maintained.

The administration of radiopharmaceuticals creates risks for other persons from external radiation or contamination from spill of urine, vomiting or any other biological fluids. Radiation protection precautions in accordance with national regulations must therefore be taken.

Any unused medicinal product or waste material should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements.

7. MARKETING AUTHORISATION HOLDER

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11. DOSIMETRY

Technetium (^{99m}Tc) is produced by means of a ($^{99}\text{Mo}/^{99m}\text{Tc}$) generator and decays with the emission of gamma radiation with a mean energy of 140 keV and a half-life of 6.02 hours. Technetium (^{99m}Tc) which, in view of its long half-life of 2.13 x 10⁵ years, can be regarded as quasi stable. The data listed below are from ICRP 80 and are calculated according to the following assumptions. After intravenous injection, the substance is rapidly cleared from the blood and taken up predominantly mainly in muscular tissues (including heart), liver, and kidneys, with a smaller amount in salivary glands and thyroid. When the substance is injected in conjunction with a stress test, there is a considerable increase of the uptake in heart and skeletal muscles, with a correspondingly lower uptake in all other organs and tissues. The substance is excreted by the liver and kidneys in the proportions 73% and 25%, respectively.

Absorbed dose per unit activity administered (mGy/MBq) (Resting subject)

Organ	Adult	15 years	10 years	5 years	1 year
Adrenals	0.0075	0.0099	0.015	0.022	0.038
Bladder	0.011	0.014	0.019	0.023	0.041
Bone surfaces	0.0082	0.010	0.016	0.021	0.038
Brain	0.0052	0.0071	0.011	0.016	0.027
Breast	0.0038	0.0053	0.0071	0.011	0.020
Gall bladder	0.039	0.045	0.058	0.1	0.32
Gastrointestinal tract					
Stomach	0.0065	0.0090	0.015	0.021	0.035

Small intestine	0.015	0.018	0.029	0.045	0.080
Colon	0.024	0.031	0.050	0.079	0.015
(Upper large intestine	0.027	0.035	0.057	0.089	0.17)
(Lower large intestine	0.019	0.025	0.041	0.065	0.12)
Heart	0.0063	0.0082	0.012	0.018	0.030
Kidneys	0.036	0.043	0.059	0.085	0.15
Liver	0.011	0.014	0.021	0.030	0.052
Lungs	0.0046	0.0064	0.0097	0.014	0.025
Muscles	0.0029	0.0037	0.0054	0.0076	0.014
Oesophagus	0.0041	0.0057	0.0086	0.013	0.023
Ovaries	0.0091	0.012	0.018	0.025	0.045
Pancreas	0.0077	0.010	0.016	0.024	0.039
Red marrow	0.0055	0.0071	0.011	0.030	0.044
Salivary glands	0.014	0.017	0.022	0.015	0.026
Skin	0.0031	0.0041	0.0064	0.0098	0.019
Spleen	0.0065	0.0086	0.014	0.020	0.034
Testes	0.0038	0.0050	0.0075	0.011	0.021
Thymus	0.0041	0.0057	0.0086	0.013	0.023
Thyroid	0.0053	0.0079	0.012	0.024	0.045
Uterus	0.0078	0.010	0.015	0.022	0.038
Remaining organs	0.0031	0.0039	0.0060	0.0088	0.016
Effective dose (mSv/MBq)	0.0090	0.012	0.018	0.028	0.053

Absorbed dose per unit activity administered (mGy/MBq) (Exercise)

Organ	Adult	15 years	10 years	5 years	1 year
Adrenals	0.0066	0.0087	0.013	0.019	0.033
Bladder	0.0098	0.013	0.017	0.023	0.038
Bone surfaces	0.0078	0.0097	0.014	0.020	0.036
Brain	0.0044	0.0060	0.0093	0.014	0.023
Breast	0.0034	0.0047	0.0062	0.0097	0.018
Gall bladder	0.033	0.038	0.049	0.066	0.26
Gastrointestinal tract					
Stomach	0.0059	0.0081	0.013	0.019	0.032
Small intestine	0.012	0.015	0.023	0.037	0.066
Colon	0.019	0.025	0.041	0.064	0.12
(Upper large intestine	0.032	0.038	0.046	0.072	0.13)
(Lower large intestine	0.016	0.021	0.034	0.053	0.099
Heart	0.0062	0.0094	0.010	0.021	0.035
Kidneys	0.026	0.032	0.044	0.063	0.11
Liver	0.0062	0.012	0.018	0.025	0.044
Lungs	0.0044	0.0060	0.0087	0.013	0.023
Muscles	0.0032	0.0041	0.0060	0.0090	0.017
Oesophagus	0.0040	0.0055	0.0080	0.012	0.023
Ovaries	0.0081	0.011	0.015	0.023	0.040
Pancreas	0.0069	0.0091	0.014	0.021	0.035
Red marrow	0.0050	0.0064	0.0095	0.013	0.023
Salivary glands	0.0092	0.011	0.0015	0.0020	0.0029
Skin	0.0029	0.0037	0.0058	0.0090	0.017
Spleen	0.0058	0.0076	0.012	0.017	0.030
Testes	0.0037	0.0048	0.0071	0.011	0.020
Thymus	0.0040	0.0055	0.0080	0.012	0.023
Thyroid	0.0044	0.0064	0.0099	0.019	0.035
Uterus	0.0072	0.0093	0.014	0.020	0.035
Remaining organs	0.0033	0.0043	0.0064	0.0098	0.018
Effective dose (mSv/MBq)	0.0079	0.010	0.016	0.023	0.045

The effective dose has been calculated according to a voiding frequency of 3.5 hours in adults.

Cardiac imaging

The effective dose resulting from the administration of a maximal recommended activity of 2,000 MBq of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi for an adult weighing 70 kg is about 16.4 mSv if implementing the one-day protocol with administration of 500 MBq at rest and 1,500 MBq at exercise.

For this administered activity of 2,000 MBq the typical radiation dose to the target organ heart is 14 mGy and the typical radiation doses to the critical organs gall bladder, kidneys and upper large intestine are 69, 57 and 46.5 mGy, respectively.

The effective dose resulting from the administration of a maximal recommended activity of 1,800 MBq of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi for an adult weighing 70 kg is about 16.4 mSv for a two-day protocol for an adult weighing 70 kg is about 15.2 mSv.

For this administered activity of 1,800 MBq the typical radiation dose to the target organ heart is 12.2 mGy and the typical radiation doses to the critical organs gall bladder, kidneys and upper large intestine are 64.8, 55.8 and 44.1 mGy, respectively.

Scintimammography

The effective dose resulting from the administration of a maximal recommended activity of 1,000 MBq of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi for an adult weighing 70 kg is about 9 mSv.

For an administered activity of 1,000 MBq the typical radiation dose to the target organ breast is 3.8 mGy and the typical radiation doses to the critical organs gall bladder, kidneys and upper large intestine are 39, 36 and 27 mGy, respectively.

Parathyroid imaging

The effective dose resulting from the administration of a maximal recommended activity of 700 MBq of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi for an adult weighing 70 kg is about 6.3 mSv.

For an administered activity of 700 MBq the typical radiation dose to the target organ thyroid is 3.7 mGy and the typical radiation doses to the critical organs gall bladder, kidneys and upper large intestine are 27.3, 25.2 and 18.9 mGy, respectively.

12. INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS

Withdrawals should be performed under aseptic conditions. The vials must not be opened before disinfecting the stopper, the solution should be withdrawn via the stopper using a single dose syringe fitted with suitable protective shielding and a disposable sterile needle or using an authorised automated application system. If the integrity of this vial is compromised, the product should not be used.

Instructions for preparation of technetium (^{99m}Tc) sestamibi

Technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi is to be used within eight (8) hours of reconstitution. The vial is reconstituted with a maximum 15 GBq of oxidant-free sterile Tc-99m-Sodium pertechnetate. As with any pharmaceutical product, at any time in the preparation of this product the integrity of this vial is compromised it should not be used.

Use only eluate from a Tc-99m generator previously eluted within 24 hours. Use only eluate taken from generator less than 2 hours before reconstitution

The labelling of the kit should be made according to either method A or method B.

Method A

Instructions for the Preparation of Technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi

Preparation of Technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi from the Medi-MIBI 500 micrograms Kit is to be done according to the following aseptic procedure:

1. Waterproof gloves should be worn during the preparation procedure. Remove the plastic disc from the Medi-MIBI 500micrograms Kit vial and swab the top of the vial closure with alcohol to disinfect the surface.

2. Place the vial in a suitable radiation shield appropriately labelled with date, time of preparation, volume and activity.

3. With a sterile shielded syringe, aseptically obtain additive-free, sterile, non-pyrogenic Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m solution (max. 15 GBq –405mCi) in approximately 1 to 5 ml.

4. Aseptically add the Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m solution to the vial in the lead shield. Without withdrawing the needle, remove an equal volume of headspace to maintain atmospheric pressure within the vial.

5. Shake vigorously, about 5 to 10 quick upward-downward motions.

6. Remove the vial from the lead shield and place upright in an appropriately shielded and contained boiling water bath, such that the vial is suspended above the bottom of the bath, and boil for 10 minutes. The bath must be shielded. Timing for the 10 minutes commences as soon as the water begins to boil again.

7. Note: The vial must remain upright during the boiling step. Use a water bath where the stopper will be above the level of the water.

8. Remove the shielded vial from the water bath and allow cooling for fifteen minutes.

9. Inspect visually for the absence of particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration.

10. Aseptically withdraw material using a sterile shielded syringe. Use within eight (8) hours of preparation.

11. Radiochemical purity should be checked prior to patient administration according to the Radio TLC Method or organic solvent extraction method as detailed below.

NOTE: The potential for cracking and significant contamination exists whenever vials containing radioactive material are heated.

Method "B" – Dry Heating procedure

Preparation of Technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi from the Medi-MIBI 500micrograms Kit is to be done according to the following aseptic procedure:

Waterproof gloves should be worn during the preparation procedure. Remove the flip off disc from the Medi-MIBI 500micrograms Kit vial and swab with sanitising wipe the top of the vial closure to disinfect the surface.

Place the vial in a suitable radiation shield appropriately labelled with date, time of preparation, volume and activity.

With a sterile shielded syringe, aseptically obtain additive-free, sterile, non-pyrogenic Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m solution (max. 15 GBq) in volume of 1 to 5 ml.

Aseptically add the Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m solution to the vial in the lead shield. Without withdrawing the needle, remove an equal volume of headspace to maintain atmospheric pressure within the vial.

Shake vigorously, about 5 to 10 quick upward-downward motions.

Place the vial in the dry block heaters. While slightly pressing downwards, be sure that there is a firm fit between the vial and the sample block.

Press the button to initiate the heating program. After 10 minutes boiling put vials into vial shield and allows cooling down the room temperature.

Inspect visually by using lead glasses for the absence of particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration.

Aseptically withdraw all the doses with a sterile shielded syringe. Use within 8 hours of preparation.

Radiochemical purity should be checked prior to patient administration according to the radio TLC method and organic solvent extraction method as detailed below.

After reconstitution, store the labelled Medi-MIBI 500micrograms below 25oC and protected from light.

Note: Do not use material if the radiochemical purity is less than 94%.

After reconstitution the container and any unused contents should be disposed of in accordance with local requirements for radioactive materials.

Quality control

Radio-TLC Method for the Quantification of Technetium Tc-99m Sestamibi

1. Materials

1.1. Baker-Flex-Aluminium Oxide plate, # 1 B-F, pre-cut to 2.5 cm x 7.5 cm.

1.2. Ethanol >95%.

1.3. Capintec, or equivalent instrument for measuring radioactivity in the 0.01MBq – 15 GBq range. The resolution value is 0.001MBq.

1.4. 1 ml syringe with a 22-26 gauge needle.

1.5. Small developing tank with cover, (100 ml beaker covered with Parafilm® is sufficient).

2. Procedure

2.1. Pour enough ethanol into the developing tank (beaker) to have a depth of 3-4 mm of solvent.

Cover the tank (beaker) with Parafilm® and allow it to equilibrate for approximately 10 minutes.

2.2. Apply 1 drop of ethanol, using a 1 ml syringe with a 22-26 gauge needle on to the Aluminium Oxide TLC plate, 1.5 cm from the bottom. Do not allow the spot to dry.

2.3. Apply 1 drop of the kit solution on top of the ethanol spot. Dry the spot. Do not heat!

2.4. Develop the plate a distance of 5.0 cm from the spot.

2.5. Cut the strip 4.0 cm from the bottom, and measure each piece in your dose calibrator.

2.6. Calculate the % Radiochemical purity as:

% Tc-99m Sestamibi = (Activity top portion)/(Activity both pieces) x 100.

2.7. % Tc-99m Sestamibi should be > 94%; otherwise the preparation should be discarded.

II. Organic solvent extraction method

Materials and equipments

Sodium chloride solution

Chloroform

Vortex Mixer

Capintec, or equivalent instrument for measuring radioactivity in the 0.01MBq – 15 GBq range.

The resolution value is 0.001MBq.

Procedure

Add 0.1 ml of the labelled compound into a vial, which contains 3 ml of chloroform and 2.9 ml of saline.

Close the vial, mix on a vortex mixer for 1 min., then after wait for separation of phases (1-2 min).

Transfer the top layer (saline) to another vial and measure the activities of both phases (vial of saline and vial of chloroform) in a dose calibrator separately. The lipophilic Tc-99m-MIBI is in the chloroform fraction and the contaminants are in the saline layer.

Calculation

Calculate the percentage of 99mTc-Medi-MIBI:

% of lipophilic 99mTc-Medi-MIBI = ----- x100

Total activity of both fractions

The percentage of radiochemical purity should be not less than 94% within 8 hours