

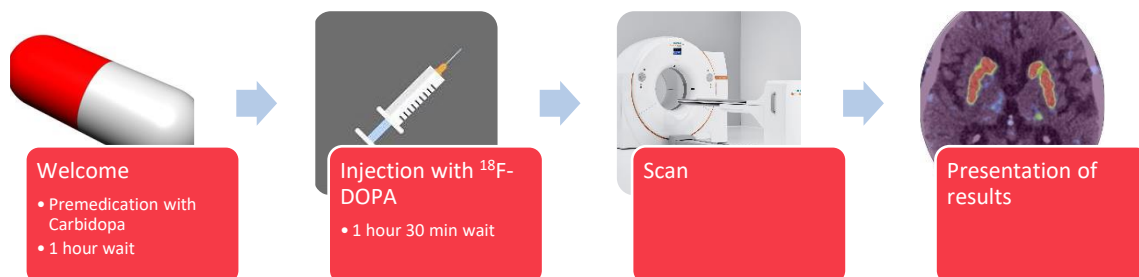
¹⁸F-DOPA BRAIN PET SCAN – INFORMATION SHEET

Sir, Madam,

You are to undergo a brain PET scan using ¹⁸F-DOPA, a radiotracer that is very slightly radioactive (25 µSv per MBq of tracer injected). The substance used is not an allergen. You must not take any medications containing levodopa for 12 hours before the examination (this includes some medications used to treat Parkinson's disease, such as Modopar®). You may eat and drink as normal before the exam. The examination should take around 3 hours in total.

- On arrival, you will have a medical interview and then be administered with a premedication called Carbidopa, to improve the quality of the images obtained.
- One hour later, the ¹⁸F-DOPA will be injected into a vein in your arm.
- One hour and thirty minutes after the ¹⁸F-DOPA has been injected, images of your brain will be taken for ten minutes.
- Afterwards, the doctor will see you and hand you the images taken (the results will be faxed directly to your referring doctor).
- You should drink plenty of fluids and empty your bladder as frequently as possible, both before the scan and for a few hours afterwards.

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You **must CONFIRM your APPOINTMENT 48 HOURS before** the exam by calling the following number: +377 97 98 96 59. **If you do not confirm your appointment, it will be cancelled.**

- Please bring your prescription and social security card (Carte Vitale).
- You should also bring your **most recent scan results**.
- You must under no circumstances be accompanied by a pregnant woman or young children, nor have any contact with them at any time during the day of your scan.

IMPORTANT:

- We are dependent on an external supplier for the ¹⁸F-DOPA used. The product is brought in from a site located some distance away (Italy, or the Bouches-du-Rhône in France) and has a

half-life of two hours (meaning that half of it disappears every two hours), so it cannot be stored.

- If, for technical reasons, the delivery is cancelled or the batch delivered is unsuitable for patient use, your examination will be postponed at the earliest date possible.
- Sometimes we are only notified of this on the day the product is due to be delivered, and **it is possible that your appointment may be cancelled at the last minute**. We are in no way responsible for any such cancellations, as the laboratory that supplies the product may suspend its use at the last minute, for your safety.

Your doctors will be available to provide additional information if you wish.