

8.2 Nursing Mothers

Technetium Tc99m Per technetate is excreted in human milk during lactation. It is not known whether Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi is excreted in human milk. Therefore, formula feedings should be substituted for breast feedings.

8.3 Pediatric Use

Safety and effectiveness in the pediatric population have not been established.

No evidence of diagnostic efficacy or clinical utility of CARDIOLITE® scan was found in clinical studies of children and adolescents with Kawasaki disease.

A prospective study of 445 pediatric patients with Kawasaki disease was designed to determine the predictive value of CARDIOLITE® rest and stress myocardial perfusion imaging to define a pediatric population with Kawasaki disease that was at risk of developing cardiac events. Cardiac events were defined as cardiac death, MI, hospitalization due to cardiac etiology, heart failure, CABG or coronary angioplasty. The standard of truth was defined as cardiac events occurring 6 months following the administration of CARDIOLITE®. Only three cardiac events were observed at six months in this study. In all three cases, the scan was negative. No clinically meaningful measurements of sensitivity, specificity or other diagnostic performance parameters could be demonstrated in this study.

A ten year retrospective case history study of pediatric Kawasaki disease patients who completed CARDIOLITE® myocardial perfusion imaging and who had coronary angiography within three months of the CARDIOLITE® scan was designed to measure sensitivity and specificity of CARDIOLITE® scan. Out of 72 patients who had both evaluable CARDIOLITE® scans and evaluable angiographic images, only one patient had both an abnormal angiogram and an abnormal CARDIOLITE® scan. No clinically meaningful measurements of sensitivity, specificity or other diagnostic performance parameters could be demonstrated in this study.

In a clinical pharmacology study, 46 pediatric patients with Kawasaki disease received CARDIOLITE® administration at the following doses: 0.1 - 0.2 mCi/kg for rest, 0.3 mCi/kg for stress in one day studies; 0.2 mCi/kg for rest and 0.2 mCi/kg for stress in two day studies.

The radioactivity both in younger children and in adolescents exhibited PK profiles similar to those previously reported in adults (See Section 12).

The radiation absorbed doses in adolescents, both at rest and stress, were similar to those observed in adults (see Section 2). When comparing weight-adjusted radioactivity (up to 0.3 mCi/kg) doses administered to adolescents and younger children to the recommended dose administered to adults (up to 30 mCi), the radiation absorbed doses in both adolescents and younger children were similar to those in adults.

Adverse events were evaluated in 609 pediatric patients from the three clinical studies described above. The frequency and the type of the adverse events were similar to the ones observed in the studies of CARDIOLITE® in adults. Two of the 609 had a serious adverse event: one patient received a CARDIOLITE® overdose but remained asymptomatic, and one patient had an asthma exacerbation following administration.

8.4 Geriatric Use

Of 3068 patients in clinical studies of CARDIOLITE®, Kit for the Preparation of Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi for Injection, 693 patients were 65 or older and 121 were 75 or older.

Of 673 patients in clinical studies of MIRALUMA®, Kit for the Preparation of Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi for Injection, 138 patients were 65 or older and 30 were 75 or older.

Based on the evaluation of the frequency of adverse events and review of vital signs data, no overall differences in safety were observed between these subjects and younger subjects. Although reported clinical experience has not identified differences in response between elderly and younger patients, greater sensitivity of some older individuals cannot be ruled out.

9. DRUG ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE

9.1 Controlled Substance

Not applicable.

9.2 Abuse

Not applicable.

9.3 Dependence

Not applicable.

10. OVERDOSAGE

The clinical consequences of overdosing with CARDIOLITE® are not known.

11. DESCRIPTION

Each 5 mL vial contains a sterile, non-pyrogenic, lyophilized mixture of:

- Tetrakis (2-methoxy isobutyl isonitrile) Copper (I) tetrafluoroborate - 1.0 mg
- Sodium Citrate Dihydrate - 2.6 mg
- L-Cysteine Hydrochloride Monohydrate - 1.0 mg
- Mannitol – 20 mg
- Stannous Chloride, Dihydrate, minimum (SnCl₂•2H₂O) - 0.025 mg
- Stannous Chloride, Dihydrate, (SnCl₂•2H₂O) - 0.075 mg
- Tin Chloride (stannous and stannic) Dihydrate, maximum (as SnCl₂•2H₂O) - 0.086 mg

Prior to lyophilization the pH is 5.3 to 5.9. The contents of the vial are lyophilized and stored under nitrogen.

This drug is administered by intravenous injection for diagnostic use after reconstitution with sterile, non-pyrogenic, oxidant-free Sodium Per technetate Tc99m Injection. The pH of the reconstituted product is 5.5 (5.0 - 6.0). No bacteriostatic preservative is present.

The precise structure of the technetium complex is Tc99m[MIBI]₆⁺ where MIBI is 2-methoxy isobutyl isonitrile.

11.1 Physical Characteristics

Technetium Tc99m decays by isomeric transition with a physical half-life of 6.02 hours¹. Photons that are useful for detection and imaging studies are listed below in Table 3.0.

Table 3.0. Principal Radiation Emission Data		
Radiation	Mean %/ Disintegration	Mean Energy (KeV)
Gamma -2	89.07	140.5

¹Kocher, David, C., Radioactive Decay Data Tables, DOE/TIC-11026, 108(1981).

11.2 External Radiation

The specific gamma ray constant for Tc99m is 5.4 microcoulombs/Kg-MBq-hr (0.78R/mCi-hr) at 1 cm. The first half value layer is 0.017 cm of Pb. A range of values for the relative attenuation of the radiation emitted by this radionuclide that results from interposition of various thicknesses of Pb is shown in Table 4.0. To facilitate control of the radiation exposure from Megabequerel (millicurie) amounts of this radionuclide, the use of a 0.25 cm thickness of Pb will attenuate the radiation emitted by a factor of 1,000.

Table 4.0. Radiation Attenuation by Lead Shielding	
Shield Thickness (Pb) cm	Coefficient of Attenuation
0.017	0.5
0.08	10 ⁻¹
0.16	10 ⁻²
0.25	10 ⁻³
0.33	10 ⁻⁴

To correct for physical decay of this radionuclide, the fractions that remain at selected intervals after the time of calibration are shown in Table 5.0.

Table 5.0. Physical Decay Chart; Tc99m Half-Life 6.02 Hours			
Hours	Fraction Remaining	Hours	Fraction Remaining
0*	1.000	8	.398
1	.891	9	.355
2	.794	10	.316
3	.708	11	.282
4	.631	12	.251
5	.562		
6	.501		
7	.447		

*Calibration Time

12. CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

12.1 General

Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi is a cationic Tc99m complex which has been found to accumulate in viable myocardial tissue in a manner analogous to that of thallous chloride TI-201. Scintigraphic images obtained in humans after the intravenous administration of the drug have been comparable to those obtained with thallous chloride TI-201 in normal and abnormal myocardial tissue.

Animal studies have shown that myocardial uptake is not blocked when the sodium pump mechanism is inhibited. Although studies of subcellular fractionation and electron micrographic analysis of heart cell aggregates suggest that Tc99m Sestamibi cellular retention occurs specifically within the mitochondria as a result of electrostatic interactions, the clinical relevance of these findings has not been determined.

The mechanism of Tc99m Sestamibi localization in various types of breast tissue (e.g., benign, inflammatory, malignant, fibrous) has not been established.

12.2 Pharmacokinetics

Pulmonary activity is negligible even immediately after injection. Blood clearance studies indicate that the fast clearing component clears with a t_{1/2} of 4.3 minutes at rest, and clears with a t_{1/2} of 1.6 minutes under exercise conditions. At five minutes post injection about 8% of the injected dose remains in circulation. There is less than 1% protein binding of Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi in plasma. The myocardial biological half-life is approximately six hours after a rest or exercise injection. The biological half-life for the liver is approximately 30 minutes after a rest or exercise injection. The effective half-life of clearance (which includes both the biological half-life and radionuclide decay) for the heart is approximately 3 hours, and for the liver is approximately 30 minutes, after a rest or exercise injection. The ideal imaging time reflects the best compromise between heart count rate and surrounding organ uptake.

Myocardial uptake which is coronary flow dependent is 1.2% of the injected dose at rest and 1.5% of the injected dose at exercise. Table 6.0 illustrates the biological clearance as well as effective clearance (which includes biological clearance and radionuclide decay) of Tc99m Sestamibi from the heart and liver.

[Organ concentrations expressed as percentage of injected dose; data based on an average of 5 subjects at rest and 5 subjects during exercise].

Table 6.0 Biological and Effective Clearance							
	REST				STRESS		
	Heart		Liver		Heart		Liver
Time	Biological	Effective	Biological	Effective	Biological	Effective	Biological
5 min.	1.2	1.2	19.6	19.4	1.5	1.5	5.9
30 min.	1.1	1.0	12.2	11.5	1.4	1.3	4.5
1 hour	1.0	0.9	5.6	5.0	1.4	1.2	2.4
2 hours	1.0	0.8	2.2	1.7	1.2	1.0	0.9
4 hours	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.4	1.0	0.6	0.3

A study in a dog myocardial ischemia model reported that Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi undergoes myocardial distribution (redistribution), although more slowly and less completely than thallous chloride TI-201. A study in a dog myocardial infarction model reported that the drug showed no redistribution of any consequence. Definitive human studies to demonstrate possible redistribution have not been reported. In patients with documented myocardial infarction, imaging revealed the infarct up to four hours post dose.

12.3 Metabolism

The agent is excreted without any evidence of metabolism.

12.4 Elimination

The major pathway for clearance of Tc99m Sestamibi is the hepatobiliary system. Activity from the gall bladder appears in the intestines within one hour of injection. Twenty-seven percent of the injected dose is excreted in the urine, and approximately thirty-three percent of the injected dose is cleared through the feces in 48 hours.

13. NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

13.1 Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

In comparison with most other diagnostic technetium labeled radiopharmaceuticals, the radiation dose to the ovaries (1.5 rads/30 mCi at rest, 1.2 rads/30 mCi at exercise) is high. Minimal exposure (ALARA) is necessary in women of childbearing capability. (See Section 2.)

The active intermediate, Cu(MIBI)₆BF₄⁻, was evaluated for genotoxic potential in a battery of five tests. No genotoxic activity was observed in the Ames, CHO/HPRT and sister chromatid exchange tests (all in vitro). At cytotoxic concentrations (> 20 µg/mL), an increase in cells with chromosome aberrations was observed in the in vitro human lymphocyte assay. Cu(MIBI)₆BF₄⁻ did not show genotoxic effects in the in vivo mouse micronucleus test at a dose which caused systemic and bone marrow toxicity (9 mg/kg, > 600 X maximal human dose).

14. CLINICAL STUDIES

CLINICAL TRIALS:

MYOCARDIAL IMAGING: In a trial of rest and stress CARDIOLITE® imaging, the relationship of normal or abnormal perfusion scans and long term cardiac events was evaluated in 521 patients (511 men, 10 women) with stable chest pain. There were 73.9% Caucasians, 25.9% Blacks and 0.2% Asians. The mean age was 59.6 years (range: 29 to 84 years). All patients had a baseline rest and exercise CARDIOLITE® scan and were followed for 13.2 ± 4.9 months (range: 1 to 24 months). Images were correlated with the occurrence of a cardiac event (cardiac death or non-fatal myocardial infarction). In this trial as summarized in Table 7.0, 24/521 (4.6%) had a cardiac event.

Table 7.0 Cardiac Events			
Baseline Scan ^(a)	Proportion of patients with events by scan results ^(a)	Proportion of scan result in patients with events; N=24 ^(a)	Proportion of event-free patients by scan result ^(a)
Normal	1/206 (0.5%)	1/24 (4.2%)	205/206 (99.5%)
Abnormal	23/315 (7.3%) ^(b)	23/24 (95.8%) ^(b)	292/315 (92.7%) ^(b)

(a) Note: Similar findings were found in two studies with patients who had pharmacologic stress CARDIOLITE® imaging.

(b) p<0.01

Although patients with normal images had a lower cardiac event rate than those with abnormal images, in all patients with abnormal images it was not possible to predict which patient would be likely to have further cardiac events; i.e., such individuals were not distinguishable from other patients with abnormal images.

The findings were not evaluated for defect location, disease duration, specific vessel involvement or intervening management.

In earlier trials, using a template consisting of the anterior wall, inferior-posterior wall and isolated apex, localization in the anterior or inferior-posterior wall in patients with suspected angina or coronary artery disease was shown. Disease localization isolated to the apex has not been established. In adults, Tc99m Sestamibi has not been studied or evaluated in cardiac disorders other than coronary artery disease.

BREAST IMAGING: MIRALUMA® was evaluated in two multicenter, clinical trials of a total of 673 woman patients. Overall the mean age was 52 (range 23 to 87 years). The racial and ethnic representation was 70% Caucasian, 15% African-American, 14% Hispanic and 1% Asian.

Both clinical studies evaluated women who were referred for further evaluation for either: 1) a mammographically detected (with varying degrees of malignant likelihood) but not palpable breast lesion (study A, n=387, mean age = 54 years), or 2) a palpable breast lesion (study B, n=286, mean age = 50 years). In both studies all patients were scheduled for biopsy.

MIRALUMA® (20 - 30 mCi) was injected intravenously in a vein that was contralateral to the breast lesion in question. Planar imaging was completed with a high resolution collimator with a 10% window centered at 140 KeV, and 128 x 128 matrix. An initial marker image, that was not used in the data analysis, was obtained using a cobalt Co57 point source as a marker of a palpable mass. Images were obtained 5 minutes after injection as follows: lateral image of the affected breast for 10 minutes, lateral image of the contralateral breast for 10 minutes, and an anterior image of both breasts for 10 minutes. For the lateral image the patients were positioned in a prone position. For the anterior image, the patients were supine. The MIRALUMA® scintigraphic images were read in a randomized method by two groups of three blinded readers. MIRALUMA® uptake was scored as: normal (no uptake), equivocal, low, moderate, or high uptake. The results of MIRALUMA® images and mammography were analyzed in comparison to histopathologic findings of malignant or non-malignant disease.

As shown in Table 8.0 for the 483 evaluable patients, the sensitivity and specificity of any degree of MIRALUMA® uptake appear to vary with the presence or absence of palpable mass.

TABLE 8.0 Overall MIRALUMA® Blinded Results of Target Lesions ^(a) Identified at Study Entry ^(b)		
STATISTIC	Study A Non-Palpable Mass and an Abnormal Mammogram	Study B Palpable Mass
Number of Patients and Lesions	N=277 Patients with 300 Lesions	N=206 Patients with 240 Lesions
Sensitivity	52(42,62) ^(c)	76(67,83)
Specificity	94(89,96)	85(77,91)
PPV ^(d)	79(67,88)	83(74,89)
NPV ^(d)	80(74,85)	78(69,84)
Agreement	80(75,85)	80(75,85)
Prevalence	32(27,37)	49(43,56)
(a) Excludes all discordant lesions not identified at entry and excludes 25 equivocal interpretations from Study A and 32 equivocal interpretations from Study B (see Tables 9.0 and 10.0)		
(b) Some patients had more than one target lesion		
(c) Median and approximated 95% Confidence Interval		
(d) PPV= Positive Predict Value; NPV= Negative Predict Value		

In a separate retrospective subset analyses of 259 patients with dense (heterogeneously/extremely dense) and 275 patients with fatty (almost entirely fat/ numerous vague densities) breast tissue, the MIRALUMA® results were similar. Overall, the studies were not designed to compare the performance of MIRALUMA® with the performance of mammography in patients with breast densities or other coexistent breast tissue disorders.

In general the histology seems to correlate with the degree of MIRALUMA® uptake. As shown in Tables 9.0 and 10.0, the majority of the normal MIRALUMA® images are associated with non-malignant tissue (78-81%) and the majority of low, moderate or high uptake MIRALUMA® images are associated with malignant disease (79-83%). In an individual patient, however, the intensity of MIRALUMA® uptake can not be used to confirm the presence or absence of malignancy. Equivocal results do not have a correlation with histology.

TABLE 9.0 Degree of MIRALUMA® Breast Imaging Uptake in Comparison to Histopathology Results in Patients with Mammographically Detected Non-Palpable Lesions* (Study A)			
	Normal Uptake N = 249 lesions	Equivocal Uptake N = 25 lesions	Low, Moderate or High Uptake N = 66 lesions
Non-malignant**	201 (81%)	14 (56%)	14 (21%)
Malignant	48 (19%)	11 (44%)	52 (79%)
* Median finding for 3 blinded readers			
** Includes benign tissue, fibroadenoma, benign intramammary nodes, radial scar.			

TABLE 10.0 Degree of MIRALUMA® Breast Imaging Uptake in Comparison to Histopathology Results in Patients with Palpable Lesions* (Study B)			
	Normal Uptake N = 129 lesions	Equivocal Uptake N = 32 lesions	Low, Moderate or High Uptake N = 115 lesions
Non-malignant**	100 (78%)	19 (59%)	20 (17%)
Malignant	29 (22%)	13 (41%)	95 (83%)
* Median finding for 3 blinded readers			
** Includes benign tissue, fibroadenoma, benign intramammary nodes, radial scar.			

An estimate of the likelihood of malignancy based on the MIRALUMA® uptake score in combination with the mammographic score has not been studied.

In these two studies approximately 150 additional, non-biopsied lesions were found to be positive after MIRALUMA® imaging. These lesions were identified in sites that did not physically correlate with identified entry criteria mammographic lesions and these lesions were not palpable. These lesions were not biopsied. Whether these lesions were benign or malignant is not known. MIRALUMA® uptake can occur in both benign and malignant disease. THE CLINICAL USEFULNESS OF A POSITIVE MIRALUMA® IMAGE IN THE ABSENCE OF AN ABNORMAL MAMMOGRAM OR A PALPABLE LESION IS NOT KNOWN.

15. REFERENCES

Not applicable.

16. HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

CARDIOLITE®, Kit for the Preparation of Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi for Injection is supplied as a 5 mL vial in kits of five (5) vials (NDC # 11994-001-55) and twenty (20) vials (NDC # 11994-001-20), sterile and non-pyrogenic.

The patient dose should be measured by a suitable radioactivity calibration system immediately prior to patient administration. Radiochemical purity should be checked prior to patient administration.

Parenteral drug products should be inspected visually for particulate matter and discoloration prior to administration whenever solution and container permit.

Prior to lyophilization the pH is between 5.3-5.9. The contents of the vial are lyophilized and stored under nitrogen. Store at 15-25°C (59-77° F) before and after reconstitution.

Technetium Tc99m Sestamibi contains no preservatives. Included in each five (5) vial kit is one (1) package insert, six (6) vial shield labels and six (6) radiation warning labels. Included in each twenty (20) vial kit is one (1) package insert, twenty four (24) vial shield labels and twenty four (24) radiation warning labels.

This reagent kit is approved for distribution to persons licensed pursuant to the Code of Massachusetts Regulations 105 CMR 120.500 for the uses listed in 105 CMR 120.547 or 120.552, or under equivalent regulations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Agreement States or Licensing States.

17. PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

CARDIOLITE® and MIRALUMA® are different names for the same drug. Patients should be advised to inform their health care provider if they had an allergic reaction to either drug or if they had an imaging study with either drug.

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