TECHNELITE®

Technetium Tc-99m Generator

Consumer Medicine Information

What is in this leaflet

This leaflet answers some of the common questions about Technelite. It does not contain all of the available information about Technelite. It does not replace talking to your doctor.

All medicines have risks and benefits. Your doctor has weighed the risks of you or your child receiving Technelite against the benefits he or she expects it will have.

If you have any concerns about having this medicine, ask your doctor.

Keep this leaflet.

You may need to read it again.

What is Technelite

Technelite contains the active ingredient called Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m and belongs to a group of medicines called radiopharmaceutical agents, which are all radioactive.

Technelite comes as a generator, that supplies a radioactive solution, which can be given to you as an injection, oral solution, eye drop or by a catheter into the bladder.

What Technelite is used for

Technelite is used to show how certain organs of your body are functioning, such as the brain, thyroid gland, salivary gland, bladder and blood flow.

Your doctor may have prescribed Technelite for another purpose. Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why Technelite has been prescribed for you. If you have any concerns, you should discuss these with your doctor.

This medicine is only available with a doctor's prescription.

Before you are given Technelite

Before you or your child are given Technelite your doctor will explain to you the procedure you are about to undergo, and the radioactive medicine you will be given. You must discuss any concerns you have with your doctor.

You must tell your doctor if you have allergies to:

- any other medicines
- any other substances such as foods, preservatives or dyes

Tell your doctor if you are or plan to become pregnant.

Like most medicines Technelite is not recommended for use during pregnancy. If there is a need to consider Technelite during your pregnancy, your doctor will discuss the benefits and risks of giving it to you.

Tell your doctor if you are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed.

Like most medicines Technelite is not recommended while you are breastfeeding. However if you are breastfeeding, formula feedings should be substituted for breastfeeding following the administration of Technelite.

Tell your doctor if you have any other medical conditions,

especially if you suffer from kidney disease.

Taking other medicines

Tell your doctor if you are taking any other medicines, including medicines that you buy without a prescription from pharmacy, supermarket or health food shop.

How Technelite is given

How much is given

Your doctor will decide how much you will be given. This depends on your condition and other factors, such as weight.

How it is given

Technelite is given as an injection into a vein, an oral solution, an eye drop or by a catheter into the bladder. Technelite should only be given by a doctor or nurse that are trained in using radiopharmaceutical agents.

When you are given Technelite

Things you must do

If you are given Technelite orally, you must not eat for at least 6 hours before and 2 hours after the procedure.

If Technelite is given to you as an eye drop, then blowing the nose and washing the eyes with sterile distilled water or isotonic sodium chloride solution will help to reduce the radioactivity in your body.

Things you must not do

Do not take any other medicines until advised by your doctor.

Things to be careful of

Do not drive or operate machinery until you know how Technelite affects you.

Technelite may cause dizziness and headache in some people. Make sure you know how you react to Technelite before you drive a car, operate machinery or do anything else that could be dangerous if you are dizzy.

Side effects

Tell your doctor or a nurse as soon as possible if you do not feel well after being given Technelite.

All medicines have side effects. Sometimes they are serious, most of the time they are not. You may need medical treatment if you get some side effects.

Tell your doctor or a nurse immediately if you notice any of the following:

 allergic reaction - shortness of breath, wheezing or difficulty breathing, swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body, rash, itching or hives on the skin. These are serious side effects for which you may need urgent medical treatment.

Do not be alarmed by this list of side effects.

You may not experience any of them.

Product description

What it looks like

Technelite is supplied as a generator containing:

- 1 collect needle seal vial
- 6 eluant charge vials
- 6 eluate collection vials
- 1 package insert
- 6 radiation labels (collecting vial)
- 6 radiation labels (eluting shield)
- 1 molybdenum Mo99 activity record

Ingredients

Active ingredients: Sodium Pertechnetate Tc-99m

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