

Technescan MAG3™

Technescan MAG3 (Kit for the Preparation of Technetium (^{99m}Tc) Mertiatile)

Consumer Medicine Information

What is in this leaflet

This leaflet answers some of the common questions about Technescan MAG3. It does not contain all of the available information about Technescan MAG3. 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 Technescan MAG3 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 Technescan MAG3

Technescan MAG3 active ingredient is betiatide. Technescan MAG3 belongs to a group of medicines called radiopharmaceutical agents, which are all radioactive.

Technescan MAG3 comes as a kit consisting of (5) 10 mL vials containing lyophilised betiatide. These vials will be reconstituted with sodium pertechnetate (^{99m}Tc) to produce technetium (^{99m}Tc) mertiatide.

What Technescan MAG3 is used for

Technescan MAG3 is an imaging agent that is used to image the kidneys and urinary tract in adults and paediatric patients ages 30 days and older.

Your doctor may have prescribed Technescan MAG3 for another purpose. Ask your doctor if you have any questions about why Technescan MAG3 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 Technescan MAG3

Before you are given Technescan MAG3, 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.

Technescan MAG3 is recommended for adults and paediatric patients ages 30 days and older. If your doctor believes it is necessary to give Technescan MAG3 to a patient under 18, he or she will discuss the benefits and risks with you.

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, Technescan MAG3 is not recommended for use during pregnancy. If there is a need to consider Technescan MAG3 during your pregnancy, your doctor will discuss the benefits and risks of giving it to you.

Tell your doctor if you are breast feeding or plan to breast feed.

Like most medicines, Technescan MAG3 is not recommended while you are breast feeding. However if you are breast feeding, formula feedings should be substituted for breast feeding for 24 hours following the administration of Technescan MAG3. Breast milk produced within that time should be discarded.

Tell your doctor if you have any other medical conditions.

Taking other medicines

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

How Technescan MAG3 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

Technescan MAG3 is given as an injection into a vein. Technescan MAG3 should only be given by a doctor or a nurse.

When you are given Technescan MAG3

Things you must do

There is nothing in particular you must do once given Technescan MAG3.

Things you must not do

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

Things to be careful of

To minimise the radiation dose to the bladder, drink fluids and void immediately before the examination and as often thereafter as possible for the next 4 to 6 hours.

Side effects

Tell your doctor as soon as possible if you do not feel well after being given Technescan MAG3.

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 if you experience any of the following and they worry you:

- nausea
- vomiting
- shaking
- chills
- fever
- wheezing
- itching
- rash

These side effects are usually mild.

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

- difficulty breathing (dyspnoea)
- increased heart rate (tachycardia)
- high blood pressure (hypertension)
- seizure

These are potentially 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

Technescan MAG3 is supplied in a glass vial. An injection is prepared from the vial and is reconstituted with additive-free sodium pertechnetate (^{99m}Tc) immediately before it is injected.

Ingredients

Active ingredient:

- 1 mg betiatide

Inactive ingredients:

- stannous chloride dihydrate
- sodium tartrate dihydrate
- lactose monohydrate

This medicine does not contain sucrose, gluten, tartrazine, or any other azo dyes.

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