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# Procedure Information – Fundus Fluorescein Angiography

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#### Introduction

- Fundus Fluorescein Angiography is a simple, safe & effective method of examining the retina of the eye.
- It can assess circulation of the retina and help to establish the diagnosis and to provide an appropriate treatment plan. It is indicated for a wide variety of conditions including inflammation, edema, vascular abnormalities cancer or even some system illnesses such as diabetics and hypertension.

#### **The Procedure**

- 1. Pupils are dilated with eyedrops.
- 2. Fluorescein solution is injected into the veins of the arm.
- 3. Transient nausea or vomiting may occur during and after the fluorescein dye injection. The fundus is photographed with a special-designed camera.
- 4. The whole procedure takes around thirty to forty minutes. Flashing may induce discomfort but will do no harm to your eyes.

### Before the procedure

- 1. Your doctor will explain to you the reason, procedure and possible complications. You will need to sign a consent form.
- 2. Fluorescein solution may have unwanted side effects to the fetus and is usually not performed for pregnant women.
- 3. There is an about 1 in 10000 chance of developing hypersensitivity reaction to the fluorescein solution and in severe cases, may result in life-threatening condition such as breathlessness and shock. Please inform your medical staff if you have any heart disease or allergy to drugs or food.

#### After the procedure

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- 1. Due to dilation of pupils, vision would be blurred for the whole day (especially near vision). You should avoid driving on the day of examination.
- 2. Wearing sunglasses can relieve the discomfort to sunlight.
- 3. The fluorescein dye will induce yellowish staining of urine, skin and eyes for up to 24 hours. Fluid intake is encouraged. This will facilitate the urinary excretion of the dye.

## **Remarks**

This is general information only and the list of complications is not exhaustive. Other unforeseen complications may occasionally occur. In special patient groups, the actual risk may be different. Should a complication occur, another life-saving procedure or treatment may be required immediately. For further information please contact your doctor.

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I acknowledge that the above information concerning my operation/procedure has been explained to
me by Dr I have also been given the opportunity to ask questions and receiv
adequate explanations concerning my condition and the doctor's treatment plan.

Relationship (if any)

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