

Imaging of the urinary bladder and urethra with contrast medium

The purpose of the examination is to determine the structure and possible disorders of the urinary bladder and the urethra.

This examination is also known as urethrocytography.

Please reserve 2 hours for your visit. The examination will take about 1 hour.

Patients who need urgent examination may be examined before you.

The arrival instructions or the appointment letter contains our contact information if you have any questions about the examination.

Before the procedure

- **If you are hypersensitive to iodine contrast agent**, please inform the doctor who referred you to this examination as soon as possible.
- **If you are pregnant or you suspect that you are pregnant**, please inform the doctor who referred you to this examination as soon as possible.

During the examination

Before the examination begins, an anesthetic cream will be applied in the urethra.

For men, an instrument is placed on the opening of the urethra. The instrument is used to inject contrast medium into the urinary bladder.

For women, a soft tube or a catheter is inserted into the urinary bladder.

A radiologist will fill the urinary bladder with contrast medium via the catheter or the instrument. Then the radiologist will take images from various directions. The radiologist may also ask you to urinate while the X-rays are taken.

Finally, the catheter or instrument will be removed.

After the examination

You will receive the results of the examination from the doctor who treats you.

If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or ward that referred you to this examination.

Please note

You will not be charged for the examination.

Cancel the appointment if you cannot come. If you do not cancel, you will be charged a fine.