

UNIVERSITY IMAGING

at Science Park

3T MRI EXAM

You've been scheduled to undergo testing at our **3Tesla (3T) MRI Imaging Center**.

Date: _____

Time: _____

GETTING READY FOR YOUR 3T MRI EXAM

You can expect a phone call from our staff 1-2 days prior to your procedure. We will review your medical history to verify that no issues exist which would prevent you from having an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) exam.

PLEASE:

- If you are claustrophobic, it may be necessary to take a sedative in order to undergo this exam. Please contact your Physician in order to obtain a prescription and follow the directions for taking the medication.
- If you are pregnant, notify the MRI Technologist prior to your exam.
- Arrive on time for your appointment and make sure you bring your insurance card(s) with you.
- Wear comfortable clothing and shoes. Remove any jewelry, body piercings or metal objects.
- Leave valuables at home.
- Do not wear eye make-up.

AT YOUR 3T MRI APPOINTMENT

We regard your comfort and convenience as highly as the quality of service we provide. Our staff will greet you when you arrive and provide the personal attention needed to make your stay comfortable and pleasant.

You will be asked to complete a detailed MRI screening form. Even if you have undergone an MRI procedure at this location or at another facility, you will be asked to complete a screening form for this

exam. To ensure that you may undergo a 3T MRI exam safely, it is important that you disclose information about metal fragments, wires and/or hardware implanted in your body.

You will be taken to a patient room where our staff will review your MRI screening form and explain the MRI procedure. Your MRI procedure may include an intravenous injection of contrast. Due to the magnetic field, jewelry and metallic accessories must be removed. You will be asked to change into hospital scrub pants and/or gown.

Our staff will provide you with post-procedure instructions if necessary.

WHAT IS AN MRI?

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a non-invasive imaging technique that employs a strong magnetic field, radiowaves and computers to create images. MRI does not use x-rays (ionizing radiation).

WHAT IS A 3T MRI?

A 3T MRI has a magnetic field that is twice as strong as the more common 1.5 Tesla scanners. This greater field strength allows for more detailed information and/or faster scanning times.

WHAT WILL I FEEL DURING THE MRI EXAM?

An MRI causes no pain, but you may feel uneasy from being confined. It is required that you remain very still so the images will be clear. You may also notice a warm feeling. This is normal, but if it bothers you, inform the MRI technologist. You will hear loud tapping or knocking noises during certain phases of the exam. Earplugs will be provided. The MRI technologist will talk to you at different intervals of the exam to ensure your comfort. You will also have the ability to communicate with the technologist during the procedure.

HOW LONG WILL MY MRI STUDY TAKE?

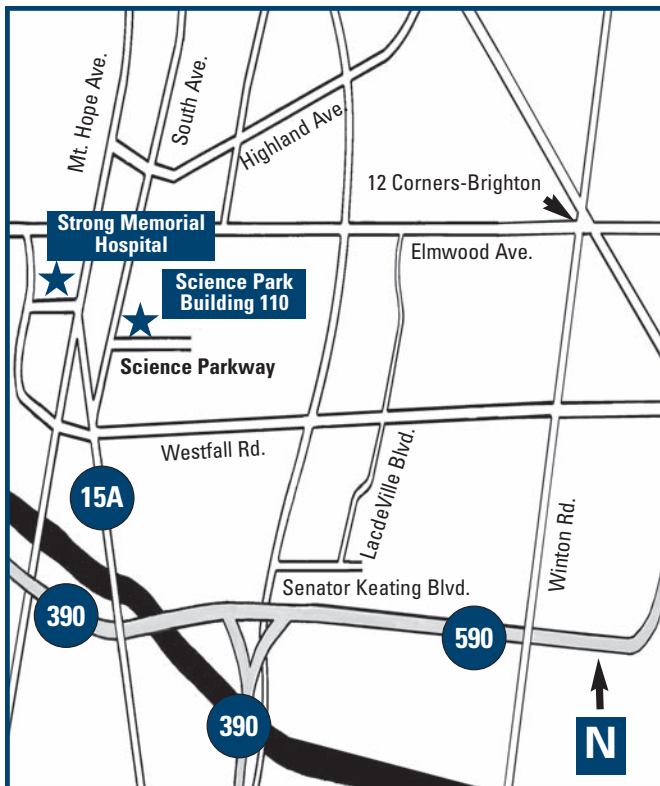
Depending on how many images are needed and the area to cover, the exam itself will generally take from 30-60 minutes. You may leave shortly after the scan is complete, unless otherwise instructed.

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WHEN WILL I GET THE RESULTS OF MY MRI?

The MRI images are reviewed and interpreted by a Radiologist. A report will be dictated, typed and sent to your referring Physician. Your Physician will contact you to discuss the findings and what to do next.



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PET/CT, Diagnostic CT, and 3 Tesla MRI

110 Science Parkway
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Appointment Line:

(585) 785-5000 FAX: (585) 756-2474

MRI appointments are available day, evening and weekend hours.

Website:

<http://www.urmc.rochester.edu/radiology/procedures>

HOW TO FIND US

From the South and Thruway (Exit 46):

- Merge onto I-390 N
Take Exit 16 (Rt 15-A)
Turn Right onto 15-A (E. Henrietta Rd.)
Continue past intersection at Westfall Rd.
Take slight Right onto South Ave.
Turn Right onto Science Parkway
Turn Left at Building 110

From the East and Northeast:

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Merge onto I-590 S
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