

Procedure Information: MRCP MRI

What is a MRCP (Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography) MRI?

A MRCP MRI is a non-invasive medical test that provides detailed images to diagnose and treat medical conditions of the liver, gallbladder, bile ducts, pancreas and pancreatic duct.

When is a MRCP MRI ordered?

- Examine diseases of the liver, gallbladder, bile ducts, pancreas and pancreatic duct.
- Tumors
- Stones
- Inflammation or infection
- Pancreatitis
- Unexplained abdominal pain

Patient preparation

- Nothing to eat or drink 10 hours prior to exam.
- Wear comfortable loose-fitting clothing with no metal snaps or zippers.

What happens during a MRCP MRI?

A MRI technologist will verify your identity and obtain medical history for the radiologist. You will be asked to lay flat on a padded exam table. The technologist will make sure you are as comfortable as possible because you need to hold still throughout the duration of the scan. The MRI machine is loud, so for your comfort our MRI offers a patient stereo system that allows you to listen to a CD or radio station during your study. You are welcome to bring a CD of your own.

Length of Procedure

The MRI scan will generally take 30-45 minutes.