

CONSENT FOR FLUORESCEIN ANGIOGRPHY

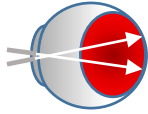
Fluorescein Angiography is a diagnostic evaluation of the circulatory system in the back of the eye. The study consists of both color and black and white photographs being taken. An injection of fluorescein dye is given into a vein followed by a rapid sequence of photographs to follow the blood flow throughout the retina. After waiting for the fluorescein dye to leave the circulatory system, a short series of photographs is taken to conclude the study. Fluorescein Angiography is a diagnostic tool, not a treatment.

Fluorescein dye injected into the blood system will cause two reactions. These reactions are to be expected and normal.

1. Sodium Fluorescein will cause skin tone to become "golden" for approximately three (3) hours.
2. Sodium Fluorescein exits the body in the urine. Discolored urine can be expected for 24 to 36 hours.

Other reactions to sodium fluorescein dye are very rare, but have occurred. These include:

1. A slight "wave" of nausea may be experienced within 45 seconds following the injection. The nausea subsides quickly and requires no further treatment. Rarely, vomiting can occur.
2. Hives, if a patient has a very sensitive skin condition, they may experience the redness and itching sensation and can be treated with an oral antihistamine.
3. Skin necrosis may occur if the needle dislodges and infiltrates into the surrounding tissue.
4. Even more rarely, severe allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) can occur and be life threatening.
5. In rare incidents heart attacks have been reported with injection of sodium fluorescein.



FOR WOMEN ONLY: Although there is no scientific evidence of damage to unborn babies, intravenous fluorescein is not administered to pregnant women. I clearly state that I am not pregnant or nursing.

I, _____, having received an explanation and given informed consent, do hereby give permission for Fluorescein Angiography to be performed.

Signed

X _____

Witness _____

Date _____ Tech _____