

Patient InstructionHUS Diagnostic Center Radiology

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MRI examination of a small child (under 6 months) without anaesthesia

Your doctor has referred your child for an MRI examination.

Please familiarise yourself with the MRI safety questionnaire in advance and **bring the filled in form with you**. The questions on the form also apply to the parent accompanying a child in the examination room

Due to the preparations required, please arrive to the examination department approximately 1 hour before the appointment booked for you.

Please reserve approximately 3 hours for your visit.

The examination takes 45-60 minutes.

Please see the arrival instructions or appointment letter for contact information, if you have any questions about the examination.

Before the examination

- Dress the child in loose cotton clothes without any metal buttons or zippers.
- Remove any jewellery from the child.
- Do not feed the child before coming to the examination.

Keep the child awake for 2 to 4 hours before the examination. The older the child is, the longer he or she should be kept awake. The examination cannot be performed if the child has a cold or is otherwise acutely ill. If the child falls ill or you cannot come to the appointment for some other reason, cancel the appointment by telephoning the unit treating your child as soon as possible.

During the examination

After registration, you will be taken to a preparation room where you can breastfeed or bottle-feed the child in peace.
When the child is full, he or she will be transferred to the scanner where the child can sleep.

The scan takes 30 to 60 minutes if the child remains still while asleep.

Magnetic resonance imaging produces precise anatomical images without X-rays. An MRI examination is painless, but requires the child to be still.

Imaging takes place in a tunnel-like device that is open from both ends.

One of the parents should stay in the imaging room to monitor the child.

After the examination

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

If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or

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ward that referred your child to this examination.

Other things to note

Please take your child's Kela-card or identification with you.

You will not be charged for the examination separately.

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

Further information

Watch video of examinations: www.youtube.com

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