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This is an investigation in which ultrasound waves will be used to visualise the internal organs and major blood vessels of your abdomen.





Some gel will be applied to your abdomen by the consultant radiologist performing the scan. A small probe will then be placed in contact with the gel and moved over your abdomen.

It is a safe and painless procedure which will take approximately up to 20 minutes to complete.

### PREPARATION

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Please **DO NOT** eat anything for **6 HOURS** before your appointment but you may have water, black tea or black coffee. **Please attend with a full bladder.**

### IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND

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If, for any reason you cannot keep the appointment, please let the X-ray Department know as quickly as possible so that the appointment space can be offered to another person on the waiting list.

Telephone 028 9068 7999.

### DIABETIC PATIENTS

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Please let us know in advance if you are diabetic.

Name of Patient:

Appointment Date:

Appointment Time:

Referring Consultant:

Radiologist:

If you have any queries  
our radiology staff  
will be pleased to help you:

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