

F18 BONE SCAN

A nuclear imaging test used to help diagnose problems with bones with the use of a very small amount of radioactive drug called a radiopharmaceutical.



- 1.** No fasting required & drink plenty of water before and after the procedure.
- 2.** Inform the doctor of any history of contrast allergy, asthma, arthritis, joint issues or fracture, pregnancy / missed periods & any past history of surgery.
- 3.** Carry your past reports / CDs.
- 4.** You are settled comfortably in an area where you need to remove your ornaments, accessories, purse, belt etc.
- 5.** A cannula is inserted and a small dose of radioactive injection is given via IV. You will then be isolated for 45 minutes to 1 hour after which, the whole body scan is done.
- 6.** The initial part of the scan is a diagnostic CT, post this PET imaging is done which usually takes about 10 to 15 minutes.
- 7.** Stay away from pregnant women and children for 24 hours, to avoid radioactive exposure.
- 8.** Reports will be issued the next day.