

Dacryocystography

Patient Information



What is Dacryocystography?

Dacryocystography is a fluoroscopic guided X-ray procedure of a tear (lacrimal) duct. With the use of a contrast medium, it gives information about any blockages in the tear duct.

How do I prepare for the procedure?

No specific preparation is needed for this procedure. Your eyes will be examined before the procedure for any infections. If there are any infections, then the procedure will be postponed. However, you will be required to do the following:

- Bring all your medical records and doctor's prescription, so make sure that you have them before coming for the procedure.
- If there is possibility that you are pregnant, please inform your physician before the procedure, as the procedure may need to be postponed or cancelled.

What will happen during the procedure?

- You will be asked to lie down on an X-ray table.
- A small tube (fine catheter) will be inserted into the tiny duct on the inner corner of the affected eye.
- The radiologist will inject contrast media through the tube into your eye.
- You will be required to stay relaxed and remain still during the imaging.
- When you are ready, X-ray images will be taken.

What will happen after the procedure?

You may feel minor discomfort such as burning, itching and redness in the eyes, during the procedure. You may also experience some watering from your eyes for a few hours, but that will settle soon.

Will the procedure hurt?

You may feel slight pain when the tube is inserted. Injection of contrast medium may also cause discomfort, but this too will go away soon.

Scheduling an appointment

Please contact the AKUH Contact Centre at 021-111-911-911 to book your appointment.

Please note the following:

- Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment for registration and other formalities. Late arrival may lead to delays/rescheduling of your examination.
- Other patients requiring urgent care may be given priority. This may result in a delay in starting your procedure. Your cooperation in this regard will be highly appreciated.