

## **GI Bleed**

## Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or breastfeeding

You have scheduled a GI Bleed study. This study uses a small amount of radioactive material. The level of radioactivity used is extremely low and has no side effects.

## What will happen during the study?

- 1. We will take a small blood sample from a vein in your arm.
- 2. We will tag your red blood cells with a small amount of radioactive material.
- 3. We will position you on an imaging table, under a special detector called a gamma camera. The camera will be close to the part of your body being imaged. The camera does not produce any radiation and will not cause any pain or discomfort. This will take about 1 hour.
- 4. If we cannot see an area of bleeding, you may need to come in for more imaging.

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