

ROUTINE NECK 64 Sensation

Indications	Sore throat, neck mass, difficulty swallowing, hoarseness																								
Diagnostic Task	Detect lymphoma, cancer, neck abscess, lymphoma, vocal cord paralysis																								
Scan Mode	Helical																								
Position/Landmark	Head first supine 1cm superior to skull vertex-Craniocaudal																								
Topogram	Lat 80kV 60mA PA 80kV 60mA																								
kVp/Reference mass	120kv 250mas																								
Rotation time/pitch	1.0/0.9																								
Detector Configuration	24x1.2																								
Table Speed/Increment	25.92																								
Dose reduction	Care Dose 4D																								
Allowed CTDI ranges*	30mGy-80mGy																								
XR29 Dose Notification value	80mGy																								
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IV contrast volume/type	40ml at 1.5cc/sec wait 90sec																								
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	note: Please place a BB on any palpable mass																								
Note:	The Diagnostic Reference Dose (CTDI vol) is 75mGy(with 16cm CTDI phantom). The pass/fail limit (ACR and Washington state) is 80mGy. Most routine head scans on modern scanners have CTDIvol ranges between 40 and 60mGy.																								
	*The AAPM recommended NEXA XR29 Dose Notification Value for an adult head is 80mGy. The maximum CTDIvol should match the dose notification value. Exams with CTDI vol values less than the minimum allowed range should not be performed unless approved by a radiologist.																								