

Examination of a child's colonic transit

The procedure examines the function of the colon due to constipation.

How to prepare for the procedure?

You will receive Transit-Pellets capsules containing contrast agent marker rings from the unit sending you for the examination to be given to the child. The capsule contains 10 X-ray-positive polyvinyl chloride O-rings.

The child should swallow the capsule during the morning for 5 days before the examination. The capsule can be opened and mixed with, for example, puree or yogurt. After giving the capsule to the child, do not administer laxatives, enemas, or suppositories before the examination.

The capsule should not be taken on a Monday or Tuesday, when the imaging would coincide with the weekend. The procedure does not require your child to fast from drink or food.

How is the procedure done?

Five days after taking the capsule, X-ray images of the child's stomach will be taken in the morning. The images will show how many marker rings remain. The examination is completely painless.

What about after the procedure?

After the examination, the child is allowed to eat and drink normally and to use any required laxatives again. The referring unit is responsible for reporting the results of the procedure.