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ADRENAL SCINTIGRAPHY WITH I-123-LABELED-IODOMETHYL-19-NORCHOLESTEROL (ADOSTEROL). F.Shishido, Y.Tateno, T.Ido, T.Irie, K.Suzuki, K.Fukushi, R.Iwata, M.Kojima, M.Maeda, T.Ito and H.Ogawa. National Inst. of Radiological Sciences, Kyushu Univ. and Daiichi Radioisotope Lab. Chiba, Fukuoka and Tokyo.

I-123-labeled-6-iodomethyl-19-norcholesterol (I-123-adosterol), which was synthesized after Kojima et al, was used for adrenal scintigraphy. Six patients were given 2.6 mCi - 6.7 mCi of it intravenously. Imaging was performed 1, 2 and 3 days after the injection using MaxiCamera II (GE) attached low energy paralel and conversing collimator.

It was found that the dose of 5 mCi was sufficient for imaging and the adrenals were visualized 1 day after the administration. But in most cases the optimal scans were obtained at 2 days after the injection and the image qualities were superior to that of I-131-adosterol. The estimate absorbed dose of I-123-adosterol was less I-131-adosterol.

These results suggested I-123-adosterol was an excellent adrenal imaging agent and it will be used for clinical purposes in future instead of I-131-adosterol.

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A Quantitative Evalution of Adrenal
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We presented a new method of quantitative evaluation of adrenal scintigraphy. Six days after the injection of 400 Ci of ¹³¹I Adosterol, scintigrams were recorded using a scintillation camera-minicomputer-on line system in a present time of 999.9 second. Count in all the matrices (64x64) were printed out and following indices were calculated in transverse slices across the adrenal glands of both!

Total counts:total of counts recorded in all matrices in slices across the adrenal glands.

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Point number: the number of matrices with counts exceeded "back ground counts" in adrenal region.

Mean counts: Total counts/Point number

Peak counts: Maximum counts obtained in adrenal region In a clinical application in 11 cases including 2 cases with hyperfunction, 3 cases with unilateral

hyperfunction and 6 cases of control group, very

useful results were obtained.

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PATTERN ANALYSIS OF PIN-HOLE ADRENAL IMAGES WITH I-131-ADOSTEROL. M.Nakajo.H.Sakata.K. Shirono,K.Shimabukuro and S.Shinohara. Dep. of Radiology,Kagoshima University School of Medicine. Kagoshima.

Pin-hole adrenal images of 70 individuals with no evidence of adrenal diseases, 11 patients with primary aldosteronism,7 with Cushing's syndrome, 1 with adrenogenital syndrome and 3 with pheochromocytoma were reviewed and analyzed to establish the adrenal imaging patterns. Normal left adrenal glands were imaged as oval(56%), triangular(29%) and round(15%) and right ones as triangular (63%), oval(26%) and round or sickle-shaped (11%). The activity inside the gland was higher at superior and medial portions of the left gland in 71% of the cases and at the mid portion of the right in 77%. Aldosteronomas were shown as round high active areas with imaging of the normal adjacent and contralateral tissue and only in one patient, an adenoma was not demonstrated clearly by basal imaging. In Cushing's and ad renogenital syndromes due to hyperplasia, the gland(s) showed normal or enlarged app-In Cushing's and ad-Cortisol secreting adenomas were earances. imaged as high active areas with lack of images of ipsi-, contralateral adrenal tissue and a cortisol secreting carcinoma showed an image consisting of hot and cold areas according to the degree of its histological differentiation, lacking of images of normal ipsi, contralateral adrenal tissue. Pheochromocytomas were revealed as cold areas correspanding to the tumor size.

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ADRENAL SCINTIGRAPHY USING MULTIPLANE TOMOGRAPHIC SCANNER (PHO/CON). N. Katsuyama, Y. Kato, S. Yamanashi, H. Watanabe, K. Kawakami, S. Mochizuki. Department of Radiology, Jikei University School of Medicine. Tokyo.

Duplicate adrenal examinations by PHO/CON and the conventional scanner were performed on 18 patients including 5 patients with adrenal disease. Three doctors scored these images about degree of adrenal visualization. The tomoscan detected more clearly adrenal glands than the scanner. The tomoscan was superior in 15 of 18 patients(83 %) about right adrenal, and in 11 of 18(61 %) about left one. Another usefulness of PHO/CON was to obtained three dimensional information of adrenal position.