Visual Electrophysiology Lab



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Full Field Electroretinogram (ERG)

Time: 1hour

Dilation Drops: Yes



Please Bring:

- Eye glasses or prescription
- Sunglasses/hat
- The patient's Care Card

During Test:

- Do not wear contact lenses
- Do not use cellphones or electronics

Purpose: The ERG measures how your eye is working and responds to light.

Procedure:

Pre-ERG:

1. Medical eye history

2. 3 dilation drops will be administered to each eye to dilate the pupils.



Electrode

ERG Setup (25 minutes) - In the Dark:

- An electrode is tape to the center of the forehead and at the outer corner of the patient's eyes with some paste, after cleaning the skin with gel.
- 2. The patient will sit in the dark for 20 minutes, with both eyes covered with eye patches.
- 3. 1 anesthetic eye drop is administered to each eye.
- 4. A string-electrode is applied across each eye.



String-electrode

ERG Testing (25 minutes) – 10 min in the Dark, 15 min in the Light:

- The patient will place chin rest and will look into the testing bowl with their head straight.
- 2. The patient will be looking at flashes of light, and responses are recorded and measured with the electrodes.
- 3. The patient will then adjust their eyes to the light in the bowl for 10 minutes.
- 4. The patient will be looking at more flashes, and responses are recorded and measured.
- 5. When finished, the skin is cleaned, and patient can leave.

Note:

- 1 person can keep the patient company during the test
- The patient should not driving after being given dilation drops
- Test results will be interpreted by a physician and the results will be sent to the referring physician in 3-6 weeks



Cancel/ Reschedule:

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