These eye drops cause temporary blurring of your vision, so you are advised **not to drive to your appointment**.

You will be required to sign a consent form before your test commences.

In a darkened room, you will be asked to place your chin on the camera's chin rest and your forehead against a support bar to keep your head still during the test. The photographer will take pictures of the reti

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A small number of people feel slightly nauseous and occasionally vomit immediately after the injection of dye. This rarely lasts more than a minute or two.

Your skin will be a yellowish colour and your urine will be more yellow than usual for 48 hours whilst your body excretes the fluorescein dye.

You may experience temporary dazzle from the camera flash lasting approximately 20 minutes following the test.

You must not drive or operate machinery until your vision has returned to normal. This may take several hours following your fluorescein angiography due to the dilating eye drops.

Allergic reactions to the fluorescein dye are rare. However, if you suffer a mild allergic reaction in response to the dye, an antihistamine tablet may be administered to relieve the symptoms.

Although serious side-effects are rare, bronchospasm (tightening of the muscles around the airways) and anaphylaxis (a severe allergic reaction that can develop rapidly) are reported to occur rarely.

Diabetic patients should note that the results of urine and blood sugar testing may be affected for a short period following the fluorescein angiography.

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Test date:

The photographs from your fluorescein angiogram today will be examined within a week after your test. You will be contacted about the results and what needs to happen next.

If you have not been contacted about your results after two weeks, please contact:

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If you are greeted by a voicemail facility, please a leave a message including your name, date of birth and a contact telephone number, and say that you are enquiring about an angiogram result.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please ask any member of the medical or nursing team or contact the Exmoor Unit on 01271 322770 (Monday to Thursday, 8am to 6pm).

Useful contact

Royal National Institute of Blind People

Helpline number: 0845 766 9999

Website: www.rnib.org.uk

Macular Disease Society

PO Box 1870, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 9AD

Website: www.maculardisease.org

PALS

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