

ROUTINE BRAIN GO ALL

Indications	Intracranial bleed, mental status change, trauma, general screening, ha					
Diagnostic Task	Detect collections of blood; identify brain masses; detect brain edema or ischemia; identify shift in the normal locations of the brain					
Scan Mode	Helical					
Position/Landmark	Head or feet first-supine/ at chin					
Topogram	lateral 30mAs 130kVp					
kVp/Reference mass	130kv 206mAs					
Rotation time/pitch	1.0sec/0.55					
Detector Configuration	32x0.7					
Table Speed/Increment	12.32					
Dose reduction	na					
Allowed CTDI ranges*	30mGy-80mGy					
XR29 Dose Notification value	80mGy					
Helical Set	recon	body part	thickness spacing	kernel	window	recon destination
	1	brain	1.5mmx 1.5mm	Hv40	cerebrum	pacs
	2	skull	1.5mmx1.5mm	Hr60	bone	pacs
	3	axial brain	5mmx 5mm	Hv40	cerebrum	pacs
	4	Sag	1.5mmx1.5mm	Hv40	cerebrum	pacs
	5	Cor	1.5mmx1.5mm	Hv40	cerebrum	pacs
Scan Start/End	1cm below maxilla in include sinus					
	1cm above skull vertex					
DFOV	25 cm decrease appropriately					
IV contrast volume/rate	80ml isovue 370 2cc/sec-Performed as directed by the supervising radiologist					
Scan Delay	90 second delay					
note*	<p>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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*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.</p>					