

Nuclear Scintigraphy Letter to Animal Caretaker:

This patient was injected intravenously with a short acting radio-isotope Tc 99 MDP, linked to bone tracer agent. The Tc labeled radiopharmaceutical is cleared through the renal system (kidneys, urine). The horse excretes the majority of the radiation dose in its first urination in our stable.

For the 24 hours following the release of the horse, you will need to take reasonable precautions to distance yourself from urinary excretion. Additionally, please do not handle saw dust or straw directly. The stall can be cleaned in its normal manner.

The horse was sedated multiple times throughout its stay. All sedation is a mild diuretic which tends to dehydrate the horse slightly. Please keep an eye out for signs of colic, impaction, not eating or drinking. If any of these symptoms occur, please contact your vet for an exam.