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APPENDICITIS NONCONTRAST 1.5T

INSTRUCTIONS AND PATIENT PREPARATION

Instructions	• Include anatomy from symphysis pubis through mid-liver • All breath held scans should be done on end expiration (or inspiration if needed) • Do NOT give contrast to pregnant patient
Common Indications	Rule out appendicitis, right lower quadrant pain, often for pregnant patients
Position	Supine
Coil	8 or 12 channel Body coil, GEMS array, or Air coil
Landmark	Iliac Crest
Comments	Quiet breathing | Breath held | Breath held | Breath held | Breath held | Breath held | Resp Trig | Optional: Axial TOF over cecum to distinguish large pelvic vessels from pathology

IMAGING PARAMETERS

Scan Description	3PL LOCALIZER	CORONAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE SP Fat	SAGITTAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T1 3D	AXIAL DWI ASSET	Arterial Inhance-2DIF Pelvis
Mode	2D	2D	2D	2D	2D	3D	2D	2D
Pulse Sequence	SSFSE	SSFSE	SSFSE	SSFSE	SSFSE	LAVA	DWI EPI	AX 2D Inhance Inflow
Imaging Options	EDR, SEQ, FAST, ARC, SS	EDR, FAST, ARC, SS	EDR, FAST, ARC, SS	EDR, FAST, ARC, SS	EDR, FAST, ARC, SS	ZIP2, ARC, FAST	Resp Trig, EPI, DIFF, ASSET	FC, GAT, SEQ, EDR, FAST, ASSET, ZIP512

SCAN PARAMETERS

Scan Description	3PL LOCALIZER	CORONAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE SP Fat	SAGITTAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T1 3D	AXIAL DWI ASSET	Arterial Inhance-2DIF Pelvis
TE	90	90	90	90	90	Min Full	Min	Min
TR	Min	Min	Min	Min	Min	Def	Def	Min Full
TI	—	—	—	Auto	—	—	—	—
Flip Angle	—	—	—	—	—	InvTI Auto	—	70
ETL	—	—	—	—	—	30-40	—	—
Bandwidth	83	62	62	62	62	62	—	31
SAT	—	—	—	Chem Sat Special Fat Sat	—	Sat Scr Special Fat Sat	—	I

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ACQUISITION PARAMETERS

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MATRIX freq	380	320	320	320	320	288	128	256
MATRIX phase	192	256	256	256	256	192	128	192
NEX	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Phase FOV	1	1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	0.6
Freq Direction	—	S/I	R/L	R/L	S/I	R/L	R/L	R/L
Accel	Ph 2	Ph 2	Ph 2, Sl 2	Ph 2, Sl 2	Ph 2, Sl 2	Ph 2, SL 2	—	Opt Sat 1
User CV	1, 240, 1	0, 240, 0	0, 240, 0	0, 240, 0, 1	0, 240, 0	—	Rmp smp 1 Recon type 1 Grad opt 1 Enh Prep 1	Superior Sat Collapsed on 19 imgs Gating scr - TR win 10 Trig del Min VPS 32
Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	DWI b val 50 1 nex b val 800 4 nex Diff dr 3 in 1 OptTE On Dual SE Off Resp. 2 RR Tr Pt 30% Tr Wd 30% Del Min	—

SCANNING RANGE

Scan Description	3PL LOCALIZER	CORONAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T2 SSFSE SP Fat	SAGITTAL T2 SSFSE	AXIAL T1 3D	AXIAL DWI ASSET	Arterial Inhance-2DIF Pelvis
FOV	48	36 x 36	36 x 27	36 x 27	36 x 27	36	40	36
Slice Thickness	8	4	4	6	4	2.8	5	4
Spacing	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.5 mm Overlap
Number of Slices	15 Slices	PRN	PRN	PRN	PRN	100 Locs	PRN	@100 Slices
Approx. Scan Time	0:15	0:20/acq	0:20/acq	0:20/acq	0:20/acq	0:23	@ 2:29	± 7:00-8:00

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