



LE COLLÉGE CANADIEN DES PHYSICIENS EN MÉDECINE

Syllabus for MRI Safety section of CCPM Membership Exam for the MRI sub-specialty:

Topics

- 1. Quenches
- 2. Projectiles
- 3. SAR
- 4. RF burns
- 5. Peripheral nerve stimulation
- 6. Gradient noise
- 7. Allowed exposure levels
- 8. MRI of pregnant patients
- 9. The patient screening form.

The candidate should understand the patient safety issues underlying all the items on a *current* patient screening form and also the safety issues underlying the safety guidelines/procedures described in the ACR white paper on MRI safety: combined papers 2002 and 2004 by E. Kanal (available from the ACR website).

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Note: This list is not to be considered comprehensive

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