

Evidence Discussion – Known

IBD (AB-23.2)

Cross-sectional imaging methods such as computed tomography and magnetic resonance imaging are utilized to evaluate IBD disease activity, extra-enteric complication and response to therapy with a great impact on patient management. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) has now emerged as suitable radiation-free alternative to CT imaging, with comparable diagnostic accuracy. The current consensus is that non-contrast only techniques such as DWI can be done, if requested.

MRE should be used preferentially in young patients and in patients in whom it is likely that serial exams will need to be performed, because of the absence of any radiation exposure.

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