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## We are Cardiac PET.™

CardioGen-82® (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator) offers diagnostic confidence, safety, and efficiency plus the professional training, service, and expertise Bracco is known for.



# Generating Confidence in cardiac PET for more than 25 years.

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Since 1989, Bracco has been building upon its legacy of leadership in cardiac positron emission tomography (PET) myocardial perfusion imaging (MPI) and the field of nuclear medicine. We were the first to invest heavily in cardiac PET MPI, and our continued commitment to the patients we serve each day is evident in the passion of our dedicated and experienced team. Join the growing number of world-class cardiac care facilities and teaching institutions that have discovered the benefits and clinical value of cardiac PET MPI with CardioGen-82® (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator).

## Our benefits are clear:

- Rb-82 cardiac PET is highly sensitive and highly specific for greater diagnostic accuracy compared to SPECT<sup>1</sup>
- Low radiation exposure, along with industry-leading safety protocols, training, and support, helps safeguard your patients and occupational staff<sup>2-4</sup>
- Convenient on-demand, generator-based imaging agent provides robust images and fast image acquisition times
- Reduced serial testing for positive patient experiences<sup>5</sup>
- Reduced downstream costs provides value to your practice, payers, and patients<sup>5,6</sup>
- Locally based, easily accessible field team of trusted clinical and account support specialists, many with extensive clinical experience using CardioGen-82 (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator)
- Reimbursement professionals offer unparalleled support, saving time for staff and patients

“...Myocardial perfusion PET, because of its unique properties, **is the right test, at the right time** for certain patient populations.”<sup>7</sup>

– Brian Abbott, MD, ASNC President



**“There are no clinical scenarios where  
PET should not be considered a preferred  
test for patients who meet appropriate  
criteria for a stress imaging test and who  
require pharmacologic stress.”<sup>7</sup>**

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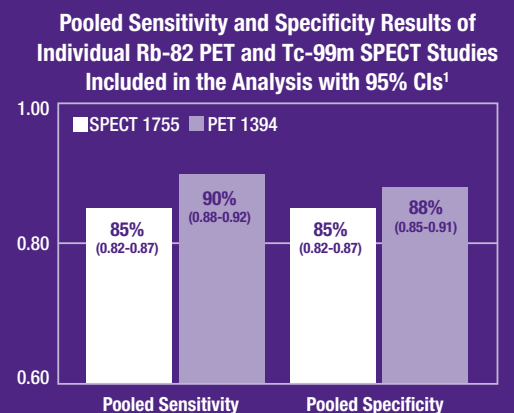
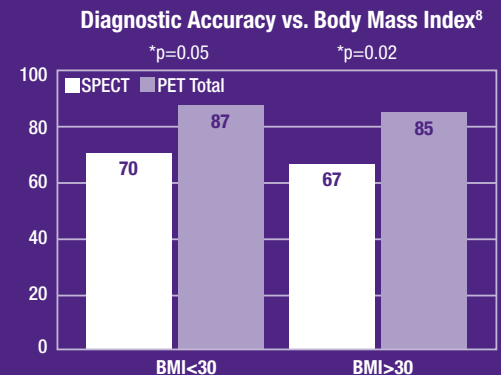
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## Cardiac PET MPI is considered first-line preferred imaging for your diverse patient population:

- **Women**—Less soft tissue attenuation with PET MPI can result in better image quality, regardless of breast size<sup>6,8,9</sup>
- **Real-time, true pharmacologic stress imaging** for those unable to perform a treadmill test<sup>7</sup>
- **Patients who have challenges with proper body positioning** during imaging studies<sup>7</sup>
- **Cardiac catheterization**—PET's high sensitivity and specificity can ensure more appropriate use of invasive and costly CABG (coronary artery bypass grafting)<sup>5,10</sup>
- **Patients with chest wall deformities** and other body habitus that can affect image quality<sup>7</sup>
- **Patients with areas of myocardium** that can benefit from revascularization<sup>11</sup>
- **High-risk patients** for whom diagnostic errors carry greater negative consequences such as those with kidney disease or diabetes<sup>7</sup>

## Cardiac PET MPI:

- Outperforms other noninvasive approaches for determination of coronary artery disease (CAD)<sup>1,7</sup>
- Produces more artifact-free scans than SPECT<sup>7,8</sup>
- Provides stronger diagnostic confidence at true peak stress compared to SPECT<sup>7</sup>
- Less soft tissue attenuation for patients with body characteristics that can affect image quality<sup>7,8</sup>



Tc-99m SPECT performed with ECG-gating and AC.  
CI=confidence interval

## CardioGen-82® (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator) delivers safe, efficient cardiac PET MPI:

- “A clinical Rb-82 injection of 2x1,480 MBq (80mCi) would result in...only slightly above the average annual natural background exposure in the United States (3.1 mSv)”<sup>2,3</sup>
- Occupational “radiation doses for all tasks during routine Rb-82 stress-rest PET are lower than measured Tc-99m MIBI values”<sup>4</sup>
- Low radiation exposure for patients, staff, and nurses due to inherent safety of CardioGen-82 (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator), Bracco’s rigorous safety protocols, and extensive training provided by our field experts

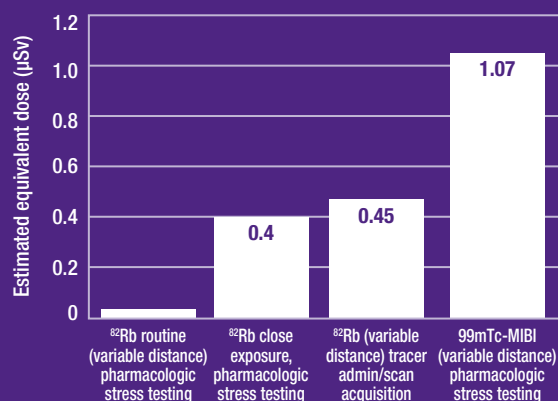
## Support optimal patient management for your practice:

- Greater diagnostic certainty help reduce costly serial testing<sup>5,8</sup>
- PET’s high sensitivity and specificity help ensure more appropriate use of invasive treatments like coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG)<sup>5,8</sup>

## Greater efficiency and convenience for patients vs SPECT:

- A complete Rb-82 rest-stress PET study can be acquired in approximately 30 minutes<sup>12</sup>
- CardioGen-82 (Rubidium Rb 82 Generator) is a predictable, fixed cost with fewer logistic hassles compared to unit dose agents

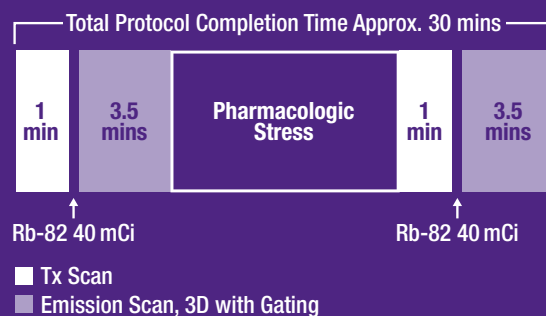
Dose (Per Stress Study) During Infusion of Radiotracer and Conduct of Pharmacologic<sup>4</sup>



Comparison of radiation exposure from pharmacologic stress Rb-82 and Tc-99m studies. *Rb-82 routine*, variable distance measurement; *Rb-82 close*, fixed 0.5-m distance starting at 7 minutes after rest injection. *admin*, Administration.

“PET scans routinely expose patients to <5 mSv and as little as 1 mSv effective dose using 3D protocols—**well below levels known to be associated with long-term adverse effects.**”<sup>7</sup>

Typical <sup>82</sup>Rb ECG-Gated Rest-Stress Acquisition Protocol for a Line-Source or Hybrid PET/CT System<sup>12</sup>



“Myocardial perfusion PET is a robust nuclear cardiology test that supports the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services’ initiatives to improve the quality and efficiency of healthcare while controlling costs.”<sup>7</sup>

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