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# تقدير الجرعة الفعالة للمريض أثناء فحوصات الأشعة المقطعية العادية

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# **Dedication**

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#### **Abstract**

Computed tomography (CT), is an X-ray procedure that generates high quality cross-sectional images of the body, and by comparison to other radiological diagnosis, CT is responsible for higher doses to patients.

The radiation dose was measured in five hospitals in Khartoum state during (March 2012- July 2012) using different CT modalities. The radiation dose higher Al-amal, Royal scan and Alzaytouna hospital than the other two hospitals while the radiation dose in Al-bugaa diagnostic center and Al-ribat university hospital the lowest. MSCT scanners 64 slice exposed patients to a higher dose than 16 slice scanners.

In this study, the mean effective dose for Al-Zaytouna hospital was 4.3±1.7 mSv, 20.5±6.6mSv and 62.3±32.5 mSv for the brain, chest and abdomen respectively. The mean effective dose for Royal scan hospital was 3.8±1.4 mSv, 28.1±36.5 mSv, 46.2±34.2 mSv for brain, chest and abdomen respectively. The mean effective doses for Al Bugaa diagnostic center were 2.7±1.4 mSv, 8.5±3.4 mSv, 18.2±13.1 mSv for brain, chest and abdomen respectively. The mean effective dose for Al amal diagnostic center was 3.2±1.6 mSv, 12.5±9.7 mSv, 36.9±20.6 mSv for brain, chest and abdomen respectively. The mean effective dose for Al Ribat university hospital was 1.6±0.9 mSv, 3.2±1.8 mSv, 8.7±5.7 mSv for brain, chest and abdomen respectively and the effective dose is median than that reported in previous studies.

#### ملخص البحث:

التصوير المقطعي (CT)، هو عملية التصوير بالأشعة السينية التي تنتج صور لمقاطع جسم المريض بجودة عالية، وبالمقارنة مع التشخيص الإشعاعية الأخرى، الاشعه المقطعية ذات جرعات المرضى.

تم قياس الجرعة الإشعاعية للمرضى في خمسة مستشفيات في ولاية الخرطوم خلال الفترة (مارس 2012 - يوليو 2012) باستخدام تقنيات مختلفة من جهاز تصوير الاشعه المقطعية. وجدنا ان الجرعة الاشعاعية عالية في كل من مستشفى الزيتونة، مستشفى الأمل الوطني و مستشفى رويال مقارنة بالجرعة الاشعاعية من مستشفى البقعة ومستشفى الرباط الجامعي. جهاز الأشعة المقطعية متعدد الشرايح ذو 64 شريحة يعطي جرعة أعلى للمريض من جهاز الاشعة المقطية ذو شريحة.

في هذه الدراسة، كان متوسط الجرعة الفعالة للمرضى في مستشفى الزيتونة  $\pm 4.3$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 20.5$  و  $\pm 20.5$  و  $\pm 60.3$  ملي سيفرت للدماغ والصدر والبطن على التوالي. وكان متوسط الجرعة الفعالة في مستشفى رويال اسكان  $\pm 3.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 36.5$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 36.5$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 36.5$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 36.5$  ملي سيفرت عن الصدر، والدماغ والبطن على التوالي. وكانت متوسط الجرعة الفعالة في مركز البقعة التشخيصي  $\pm 2.7$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 3.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 3.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 1.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 1.8$  ملي سيفرت في الصدر والدماغ والبطن على التوالي. وكان متوسط الجرعة الفعالة في مستشفى الأمل  $\pm 1.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $\pm 1.8$  ملي التوالى. وكان متوسط الجرعة الفعالة في مستشفى الرباط

الجامعي  $1.6\pm0.9$  ملي سيفرت،  $1.8\pm1.8$  ملي سيفرت،  $1.8\pm5.7$  ملي سيفرت عن الصدر، والدماغ والبطن على التوالي والجرعة الفعالة لهذه الدراسة متوسطة مقارنه بالدراسات السابقة.

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## List of abbreviation

CT Computed tomography
The United Nation Scientific

UNSCEAR The United Nation Scientific

Committee on the Effects of

**Atomic Radiation** 

MSCT multi-slice computed

tomography

AEC Automatic Exposure Control

CTDI Computed tomography dose

index

DLP Dose length product

HRCT High resolution contrast

CTU Computed tomography

urography