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## Effect of edetate calcium disodium on yttrium-90 activity in bone of mice

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The kinetics of Yttrium-90 (Y-90) in bone of mice was investigated in combination with edetate calcium disodium (CaNa<sub>2</sub>EDTA). One group of mice were intraperitoneally administered 37.5 mg/ kg CaNa<sub>2</sub>EDTA or 0.9% NaCl as a control at 1, 22, 34, 46, 58, 70, 82, 94, 154 and 166 h after injection of Y-90 acetate (post-administration), and the biodistribution was studied at 3, 24, 72, 120 and 168 h postinjection of Y-90 acetate. No difference between the post-CaNa<sub>2</sub>EDTA-treated mice and the control was demonstrated in the radioactivity in the bone. A decrease in radioactivity in the liver and kidneys was accelerated, and the radioactivity was lower than the control at 120 h postinjection. The other group of mice were also given the same dose of chelator at 12 h and 1 h preinjection of Y-90 acetate and at 1, 22, 34, 46, 58, 70, 82, 94, 154 and 166 h after injection of Y-90 acetate (pre- and post-administration), the radioactivity in bone at 3 h postinjection was significantly lower than in the control ( $24.4 \pm 3.92\%$  ID/g vs.  $31.7 \pm 2.26\%$  ID/g, p < 0.05), but the decrease was not sequential. A significant reduction in radioactivity in the blood, kidneys and liver was demonstrated at 3 h, 72 h and 72 h postinjection. In conclusion, the CaNa<sub>2</sub>EDTA with the administration schedule employed here cannot chelate the Y-90 from bone but the free Y-90 before deposition into bone.

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