

The

procedure

Ultrasound

- Your doctor will perform the ultrasound which will take about 15 to 20 minutes.
- You will be taken to the procedure room, where you will lie and undress from the waist down.
 - You will be covered with a drape.
- Your doctor may do a digital rectal exam (DRE).
 - This involves inserting a gloved, lubricated finger into the rectum to feel the prostate and check for anything abnormal.
- An ultrasound probe will then be used to scan the prostate and create a picture of it on a monitor.
 - The ultrasound probe is the size of a finger and is inserted into the rectum and placed near the prostate. This helps to clearly see and measure the size of the prostate.
- Try to relax during the procedure to help reduce any discomfort.

Prostate Biopsy

- During the ultrasound, a biopsy of the prostate tissue may be taken.
- The biopsy procedure will take an additional 5 to 10 minutes.
- You may feel some discomfort during this part of the procedure.
- Try to relax to minimize any discomfort you may feel.

After the Procedure

- At home, take one antibiotic pill in the morning and the other pill the next morning.

FOR EXAMPLE: *If your biopsy is on a Tuesday, you would take the first Levaquin (levofloxacin) Tuesday morning. The second Levaquin Wednesday morning, and the fourth Levaquin Thursday morning.*

- You may see a small amount of:
 - Blood in your stool for a few days
 - Blood in your urine for about a week
 - Blood in your semen for a few months



No athletic activity while taking Levaquin®.



Contact your doctor if you have:

- A temperature greater than 101°F (38.3°C)
- Large amounts of bleeding from the rectum
- Large blood clots in your urine
- Trouble passing urine or cannot pass urine at all
- Bad pain that does not get better after you take acetaminophen (Tylenol)

Results

- Your doctor will call you with the results of your biopsy. If you have not been called within 14 days please call our office.

Please Note: You will receive additional charges for your pathology specimens from an outside pathologist and

the laboratory from which these services were rendered.

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