

# Acetylcysteine (Mucomyst®)

### What is this medication?

Before your procedure you will have a blood test done to check for the function of your kidneys. The blood test will show if you need to take a medication called Acetylcysteine (Mucomyst®). This is taken to help prevent any problems with your kidneys.

## Why do I need to take it?

Some of the tests you will have involve injecting some dye into your veins or arteries. This dye may affect the function of your kidneys.

#### How to take this medication

The day before your procedure	<ul> <li>At 10:00 a.m. prepare and take the Mucomyst<sup>®</sup></li> <li>At 10:00 p.m. prepare and take the Mucomyst<sup>®</sup></li> </ul>
The day of your procedure	<ul> <li>At 10:00 a.m. prepare and take the Mucomyst<sup>®</sup></li> <li>At 10:00 p.m. prepare and take the Mucomyst<sup>®</sup></li> </ul>

Take this medication as directed by your health care provider.

## How do I prepare the Mucomyst®?

- 1. Use the syringe to withdraw the Mucomyst® out of the medication vial.
- 2. Squirt the Mucomyst® slowly into 60 ml (2 ounces) of apple juice or cola.
- 3. **Drink right away.** Be prepared for an unpleasant taste.
- 4. Store opened medication vial in the fridge.

## What do I do if I did not take the medication?

Tell your health care provider if you were not able to take this medication for any reason.