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Molecular Imaging (whole body PET-CT, PET-MRI) – Where are we heading?

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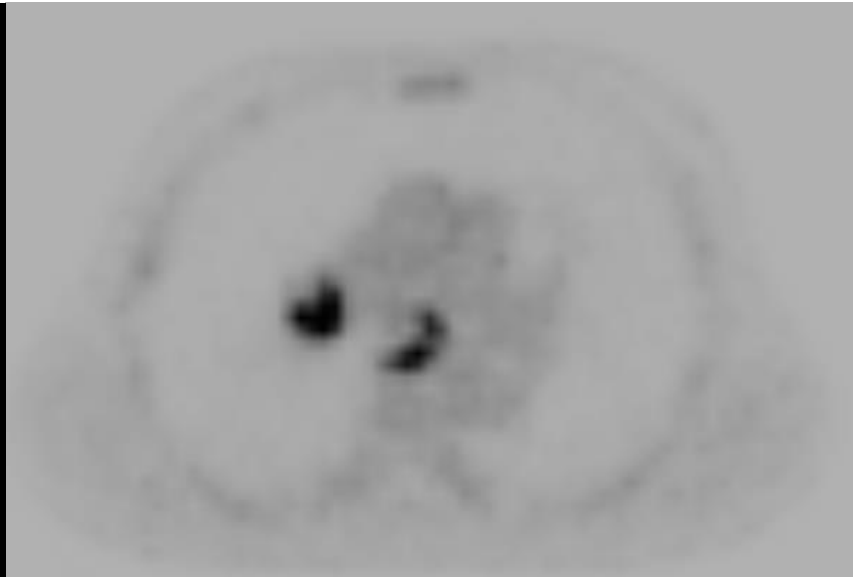
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Hybrid Imaging $\rightarrow 1+1>2!$

- A combination of structural and molecular imaging
- Involvement of two specialties besides the referrals
 - Structural imaging \approx Radiology
 - Molecular Imaging \approx Nuclear medicine



Hybrid imaging with PET/CT or PET/MR

Scanner

- PET
- CT
- MRI

Cyclotron

- Radionuclide

Active substance

- A very long list

Tracer

- Radiochemistry
- Lots of equipment


















The PET

- Detector development
 - Detection material
 - Detection methods
 - Indirect – scintillation
 - Direct – semiconductor
 - Resolution
 - Intrinsic Spatial
 - Energy
 - Time
- Image Reconstruction
 - Methods
 - AI supported

Increased Image Quality and Accuracy

Topical Review

Roadmap toward the 10 ps time-of-flight PET challenge

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Total Body vs Whole Body PET/CT

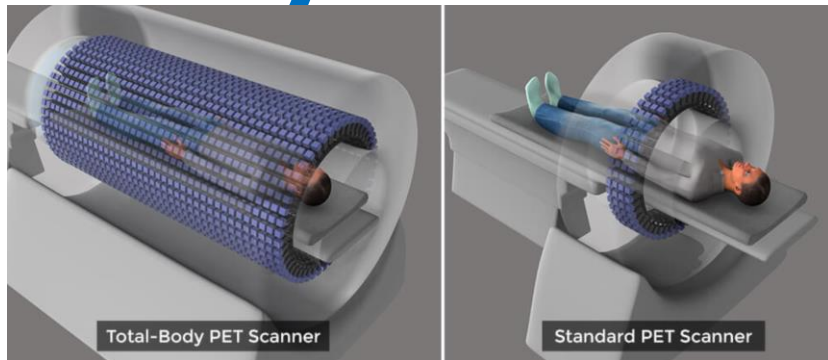
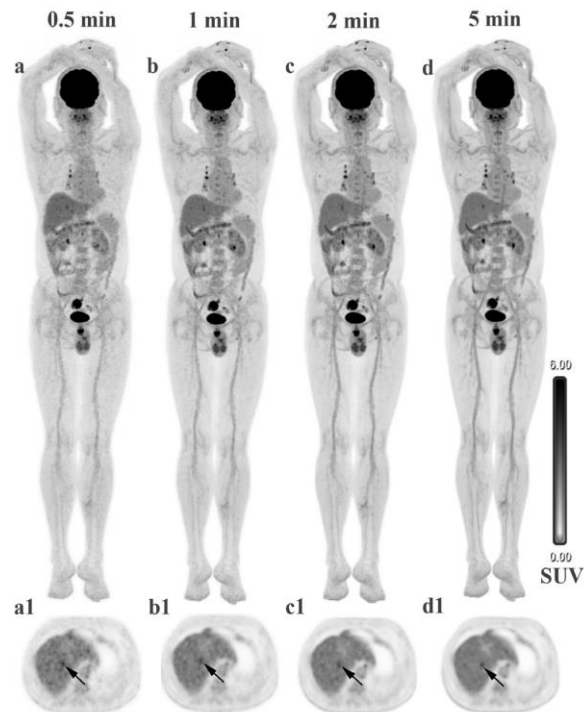
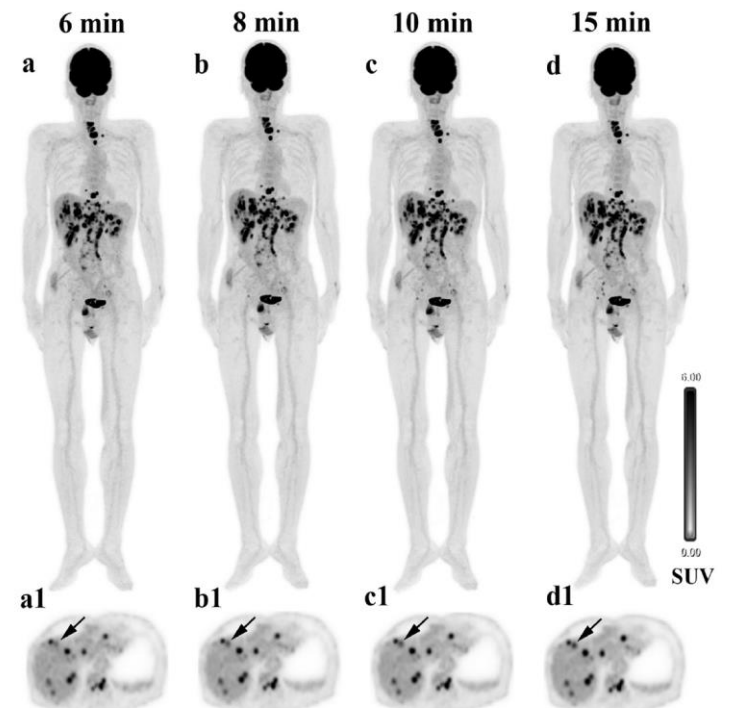


Fig. 2 Representative full-dose PET images. Male, 70 years old, height 169 cm, weight 66 kg, injected activity of 222 MBq, malignant tumor at the recto-sigmoid junction. The acquisition time of PET imaging was 5 min, and the data was acquired in list mode. The data cutting technology was used to simulate the 0.5-min, 1-min, and 2-min images. Maximum intensity projection (MIP) (a, b, c, d) and its cross-sectional images at the liver (a1, b1, c1, d1) of 0.5-min, 1-min, 2-min, and 5-min images. Liver metastasis at the right anterior lobe of the liver (arrow), with a size of 12.9 × 11.6 mm, average CT value of 46.1 HU, and SUV_{max} of 6.9, was confirmed by surgery and pathology



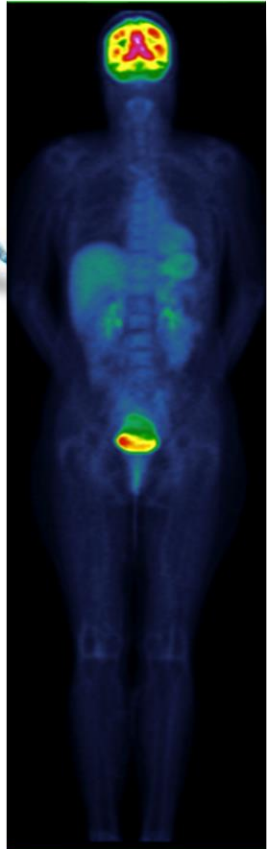
Inj Dose: 222MBq FDG → ED 4mSv

Fig. 4 Representative ultra-low-dose PET images. Male, 67 years old, height 168 cm, weight 55 kg, injected activity of 21.46 MBq, with intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma. The acquisition time of PET imaging was 15 min, and the data was acquired in list mode. The data cutting technology was used to simulate the 6-min, 8-min, and 10-min images. MIP (a, b, c, d), its cross-sectional images at the liver (a1, b1, c1, d1) of 6-min, 8-min, 10-min, and 15-min images. Small lesions with slight uptake of [¹⁸F]FDG in the liver parenchyma can be clearly displayed (arrows)

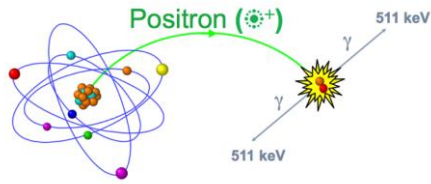


Inj Dose: 21.5 MBq FDG → ED 0.4mSv

The Tracer is the Key



PET



Tracer

^{18}F or ^{11}C or ^{15}O

and

Active substance

(FDG or ACE or....)

Metabolism

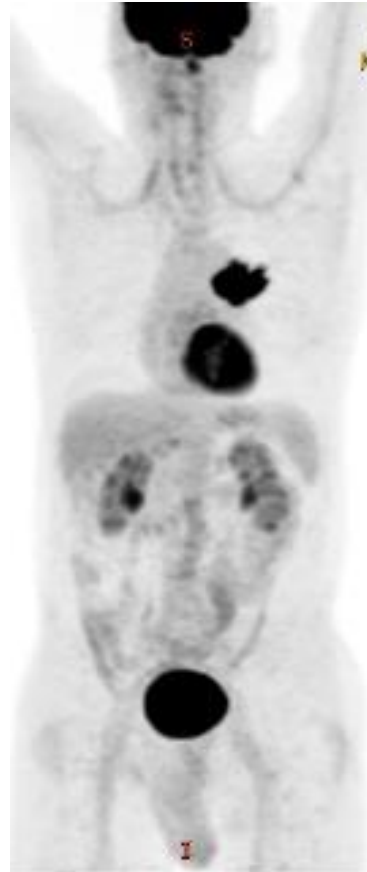
Receptors

Perfusion

Amino acid

Fatty acid

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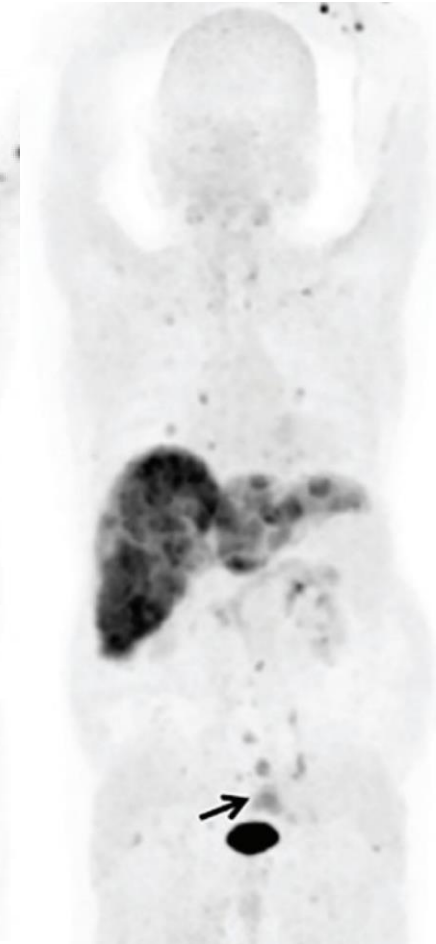
FDG

Metabolism



PSMA

Prostate Specific
Antigen



FAPI

Activated
Fibroblasts



NAF

Ostogenesis

Glukos-6-fosfat ↔ **Glukos**

↑ ↓
Fruktos-6-fosfat

↻
Fruktos-1,6-bisfosfat

↓ ↑ ↔ **Glyceraldehyd 3-fosfat** ↔ **Dihydroacetonfosfat**

↑ ↓
1,3-bisfosfoglycerat

↑ ↓
3-fosfoglycerat

↑ ↓
2-fosfoglycerat

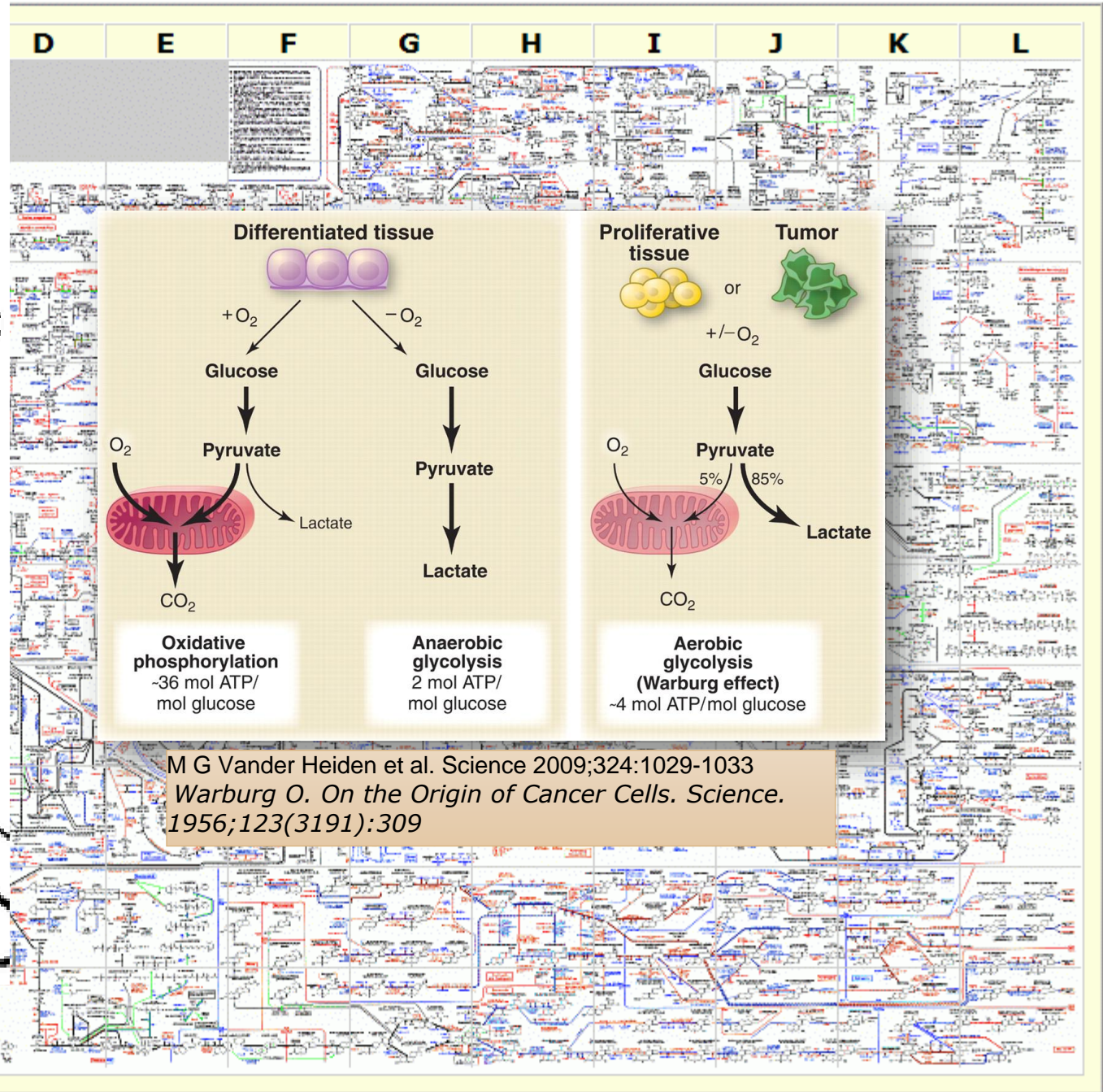
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Malat

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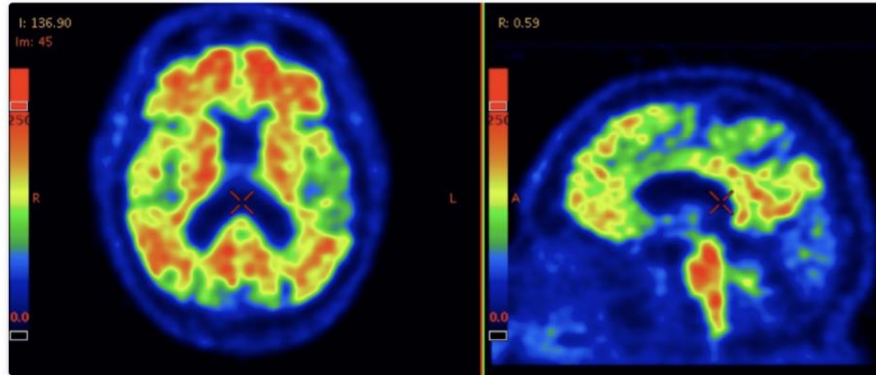
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Oxaloacetat

↔ **Laktat** ↔ **Pyruvat**

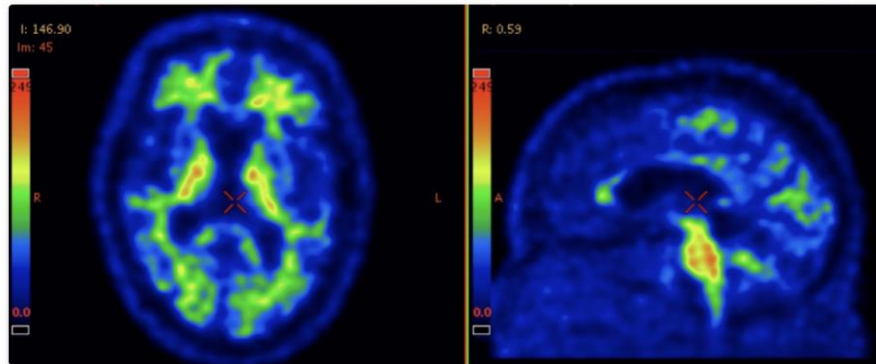


Tracer Distribution

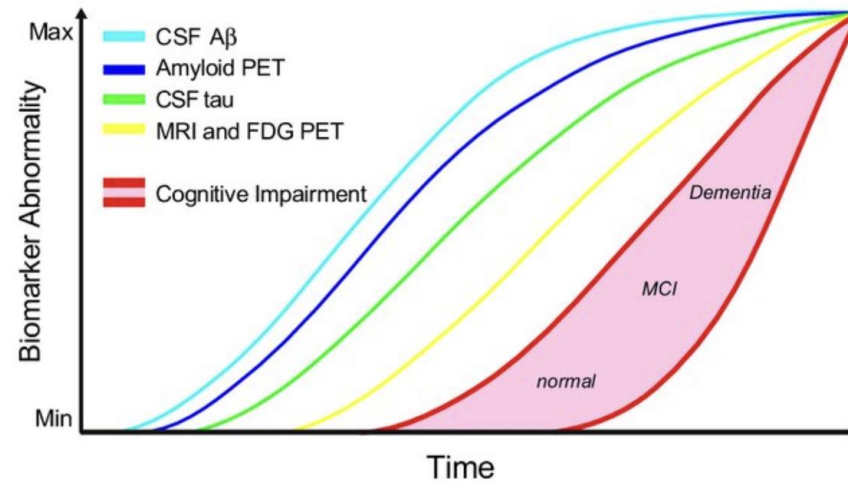
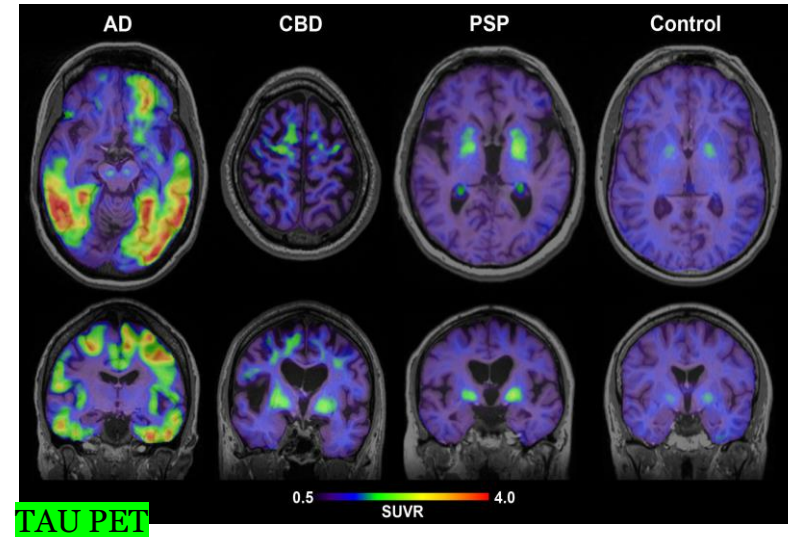
Amyloid PET imaging



[18]F-flutemetamol amyloid PET in an MCI patient that later developed AD



[18]F-flutemetamol amyloid PET in a cognitively healthy elderly



AI in Hybrid Imaging



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Role of Artificial Intelligence in PET/CT Imaging for Management of Lymphoma

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Our review shows that AI-based analysis of lymphoma whole-body FDG-PET/CT can inform all phases of clinical management including staging, prognostication, treatment planning, and treatment response evaluation. We highlight advancements in the role of neural networks for performing automated image segmentation to calculate PET-based imaging biomarkers such as the total metabolic tumor volume (TMTV). AI-based image segmentation methods are at levels where they can be semi-automatically implemented with minimal human inputs and nearing the level of a second-opinion radiologist. Advances in automated segmentation methods are particularly apparent in the discrimination of lymphomatous vs non-lymphomatous FDG-avid regions, which carries through to automated staging. Automated TMTV calculators, in addition to automated calculation of measures such as Dmax are informing robust models of progression-free survival which can then feed into improved treatment planning.

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The role of artificial intelligence based on PET/CT radiomics in NSCLC: Disease management, opportunities, and challenges

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Conclusion: AI-based PET/CT Radiomics play potential roles in NSCLC clinical management. However, there is still a long way to go before being translated into clinical application. Large-scale, multi-center, prospective research is the direction of future efforts, while we need to face the risk of repeatability of radiomics features and the limitation of access to large databases.

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Review Article on Artificial Intelligence in Molecular Imaging

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Applications of artificial intelligence in oncologic ¹⁸F-FDG PET/CT imaging: a systematic review

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The routine implementation of AI-based models and ¹⁸F-FDG PET-derived radiomics in clinical practice is currently limited, due to lack of standardized, reproducible, generalizable, and precise techniques. Regarding the ML-based models, there are a few challenging steps still required to be achieved.

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Artificial Intelligence for Optimization and Interpretation of PET/CT and PET/MR Images

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Conclusion

In summary, there is much activity in the field of AI for improving both the image quality, safety, and utility of PET/CT and PET/MRI for molecular imaging. There remain many challenges involving the acquisition and curation of large medical datasets, in representative populations, and with adequate representation of major imaging vendors. One key need is the collaboration of AI scientists, molecular imaging researchers, and physicians to ensure that the use cases explored and the algorithms developed are those that will push the field forward to explore new and exciting innovations and ultimately to add value to improve patient care.

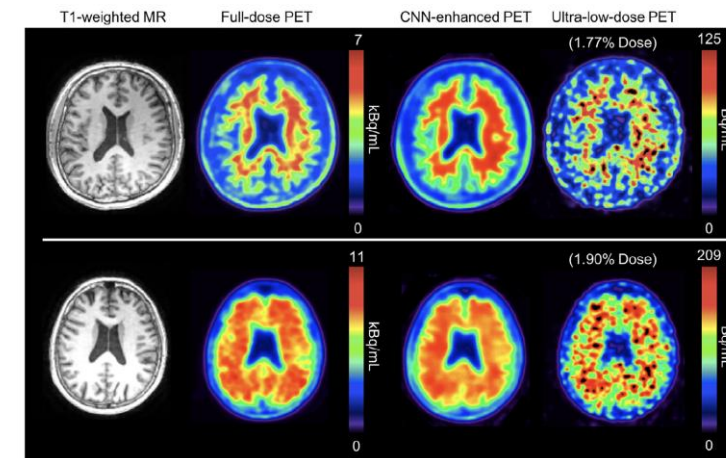
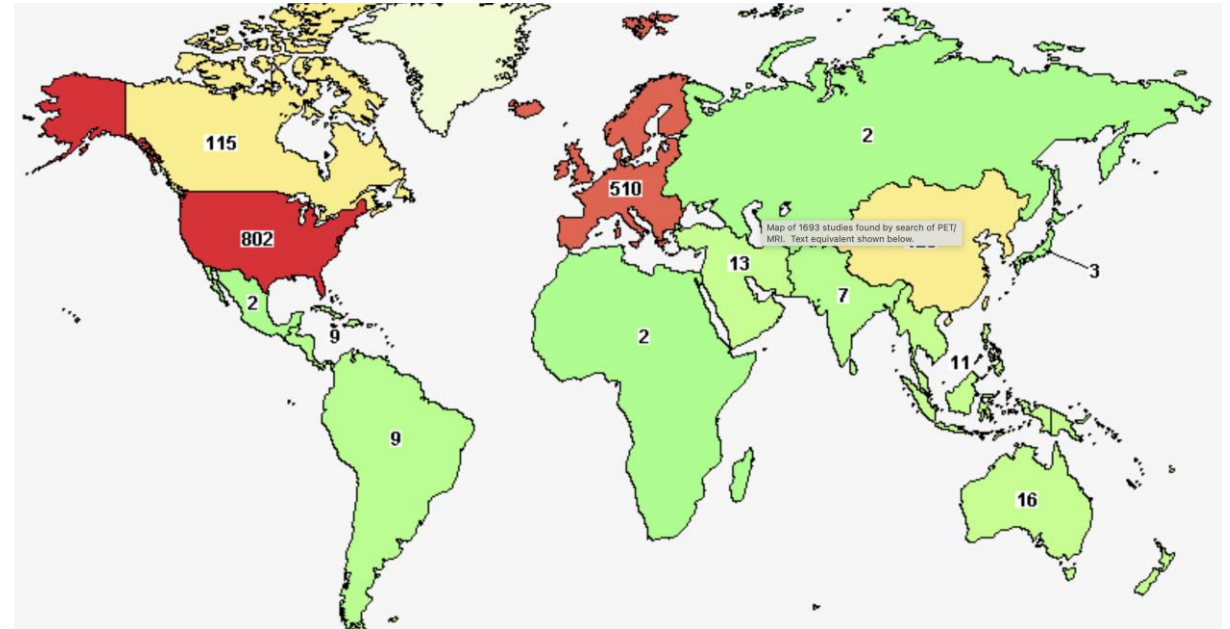
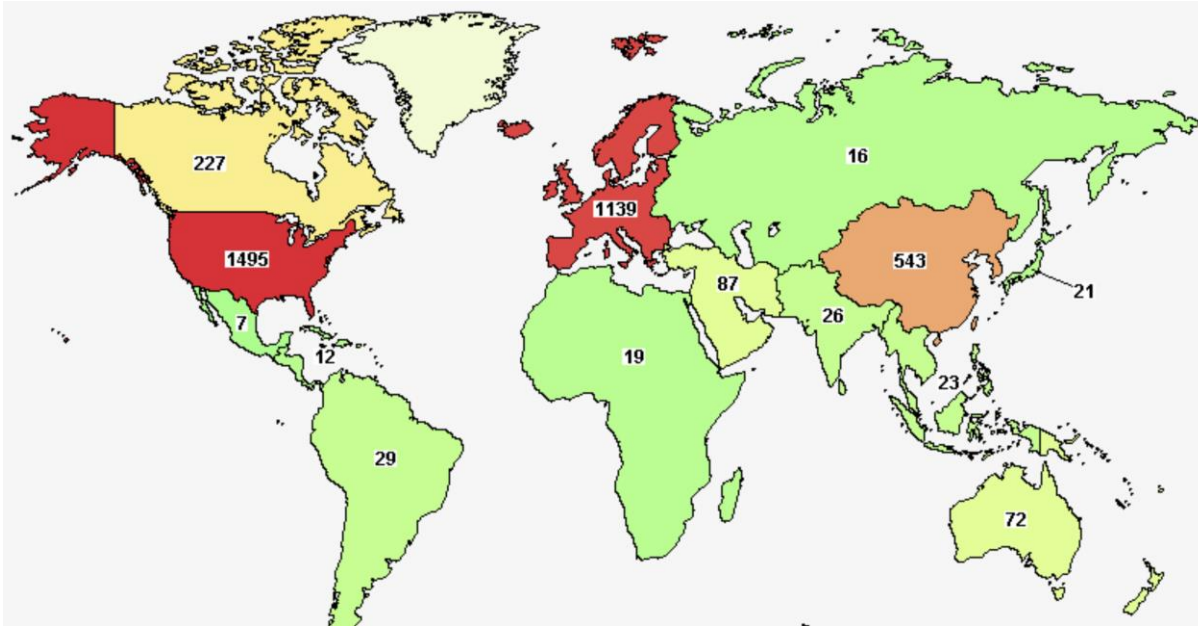


Figure 1 Examples of actual ultralow dose amyloid PET in patients with a negative study (top) and positive (bottom) amyloid study. The CNN-enhanced PET shows marked noise reduction and similar biodistribution to the full-dose PET.

2023 PET/CT and PET/MRI Clinical Studies


What we can do – What we should do?



Clinical Drug Investigation
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ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

Cancer Drugs Reimbursed with Limited Evidence on Overall Survival and Quality of Life: Do Follow-Up Studies Confirm Patient Benefits?

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“A considerable share of reimbursed cancer drug indications continue to lack evidence of improvement in both OS and QoL.”

Competition Between Modalities



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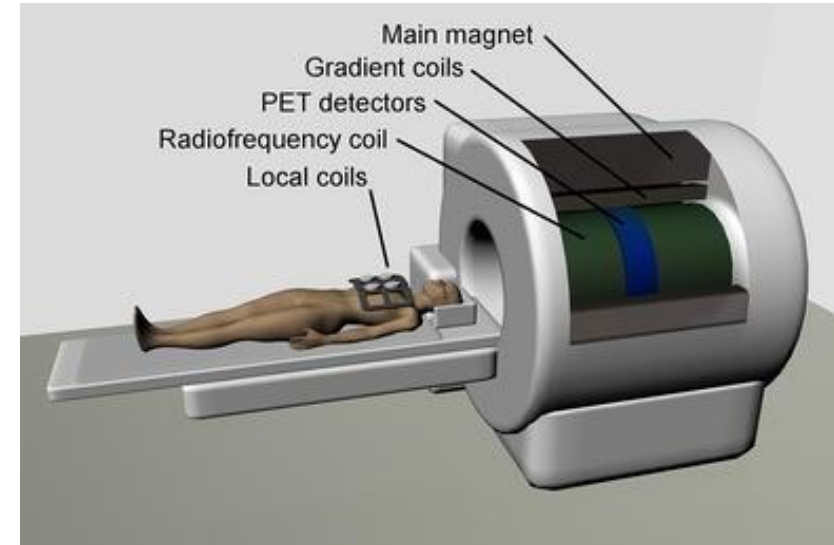
Clinical Use of PET/MR in Oncology: An Update

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Breast Cancer
Prostate Cancer
Sarcoma

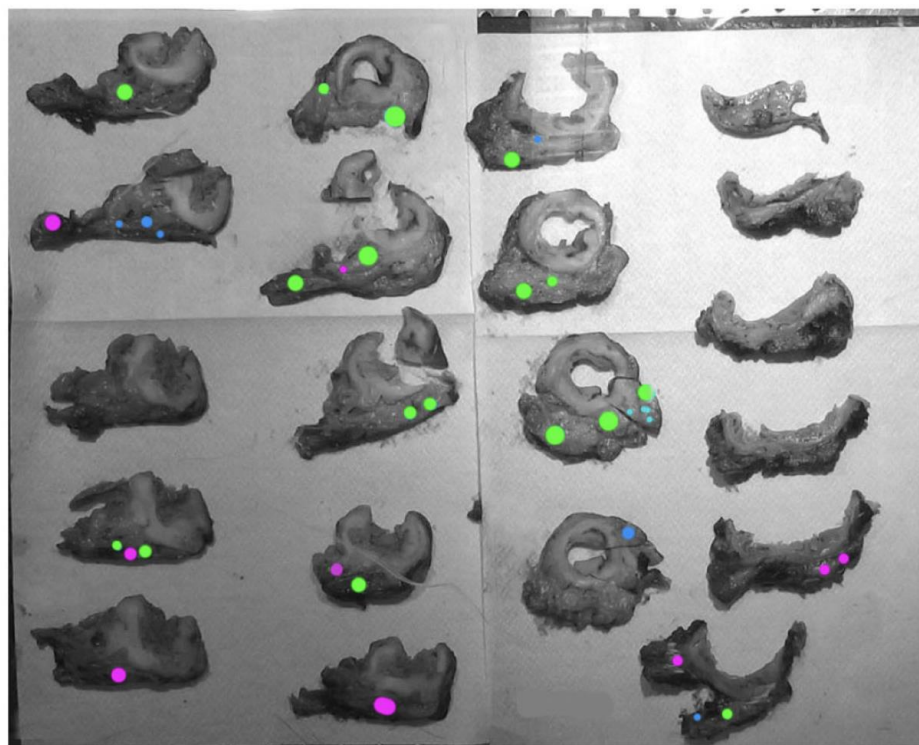
Conclusion

The integrated use of parametric MRI together with PET imaging has demonstrated its clinical advantages in many oncology settings. PET/MRI applications are increasing in clinical routine imaging and gaining ground as the potential of MRI is being fully exploited. Nevertheless, future studies should focus on evaluating the use of PET/MRI with novel tracers, novel hard- and software technology, AI and radiomics as well as multiparametric MRI in multicentric patient cohort settings.

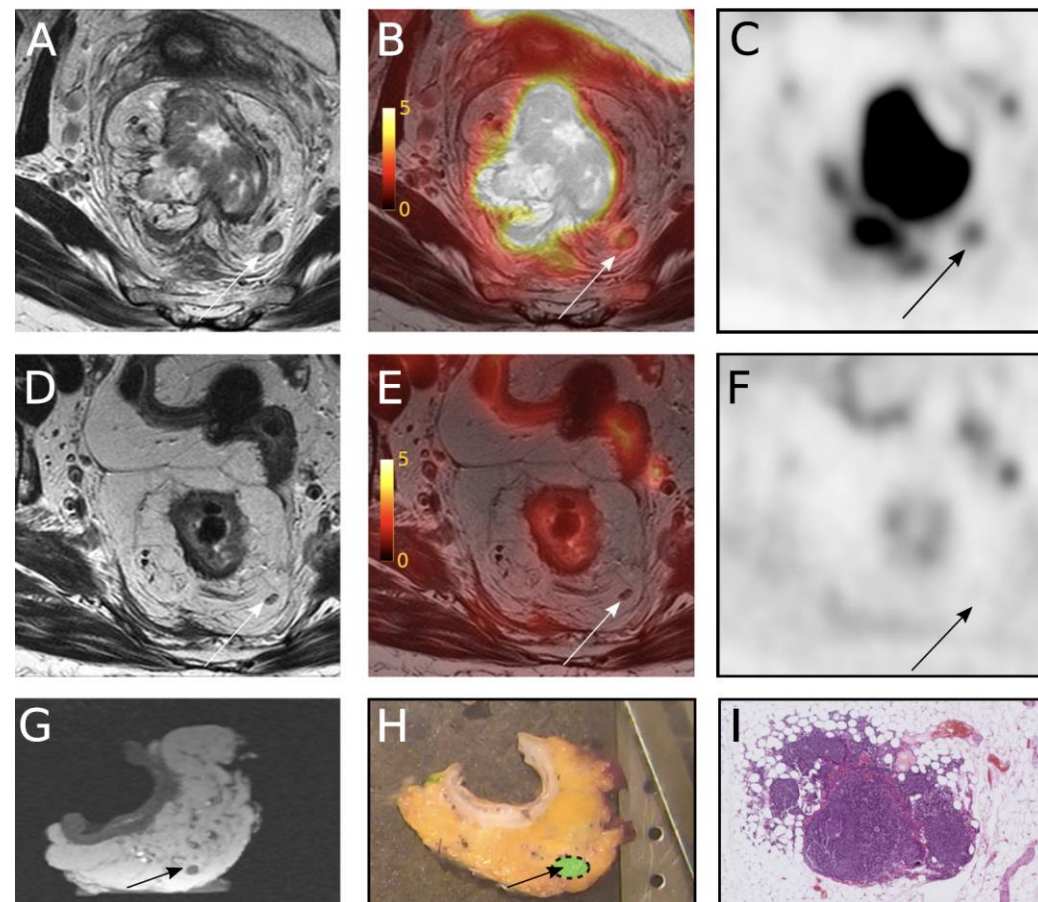


PET/CT or PET/MR
VS
MR or CT?

Rectal cancer: a methodological approach to matching PET/MRI to histopathology



- Both histopathology and MRI (surgical specimen)
- Only in MRI (surgical specimen)
- Only in histopathology



Hybrid Imaging - Where are we Heading?

HW development → Increased accuracy

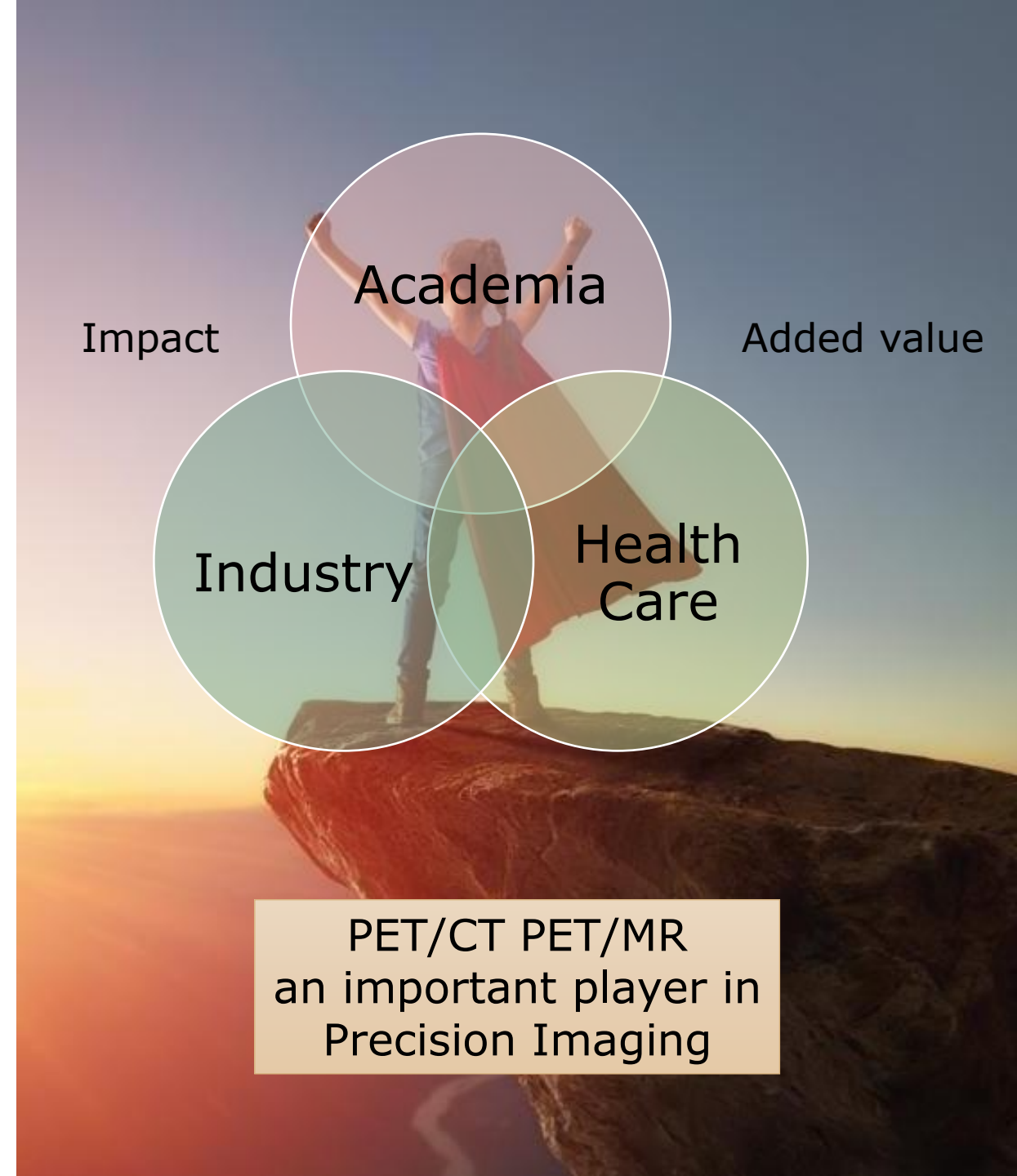
- Detector Development
- WB PET/CT and PET/MR
 - Stand alone → HW integration
- Whole Body → Total Body
 - Added Value?
 - Challenges

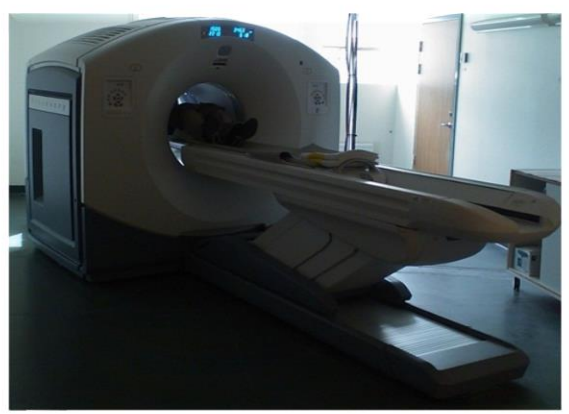
Tracer Development → Research and Clinical Needs

- Cyclotron
- Radiochemistry
- Legal Issues

AI → Validate – Translate - Use

- Collaboration Radiology/Nuclear Medicine and AI-“developers”
- Robust Image Data Bases
- Legal Issues





PET/CT
PET/MR



Radiochemistry



$^{18}\text{F-FDG}$

Cyclotron



^{18}F
 ^{11}C

Chat GPT suggestions

- Enhanced Image Quality and Resolution
- Quantitative Imaging
- Combining Modalities
- Theranostics
- New Tracers
- Neurodegenerative Diseases
- Cancer Research
- Data Integration and AI
- Radiomics and Radiogenomics

Thank you!

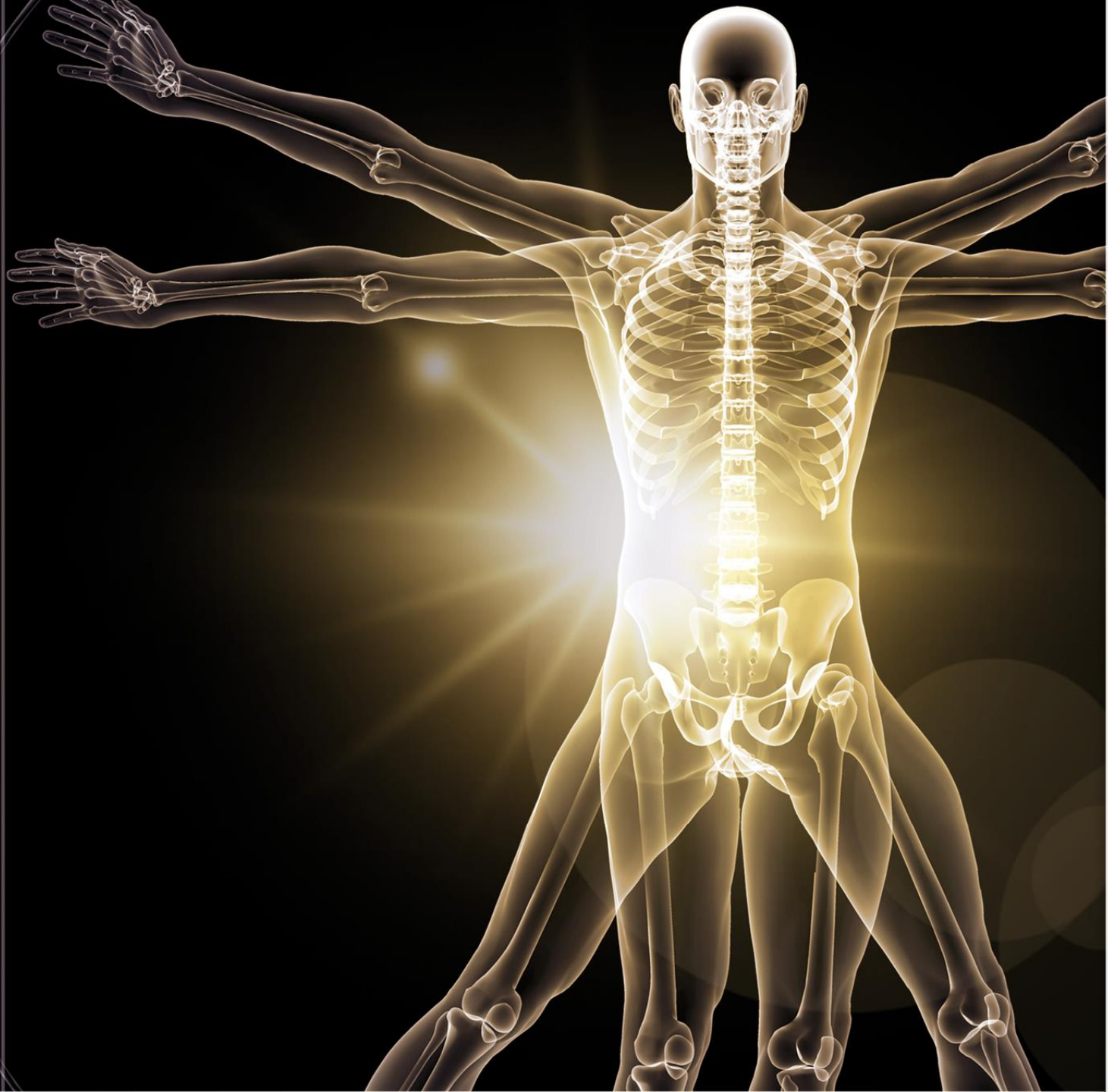


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