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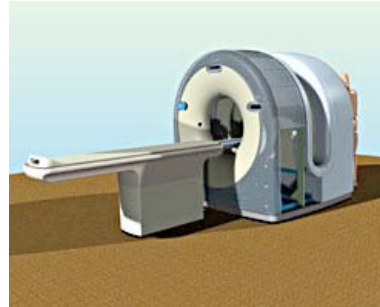


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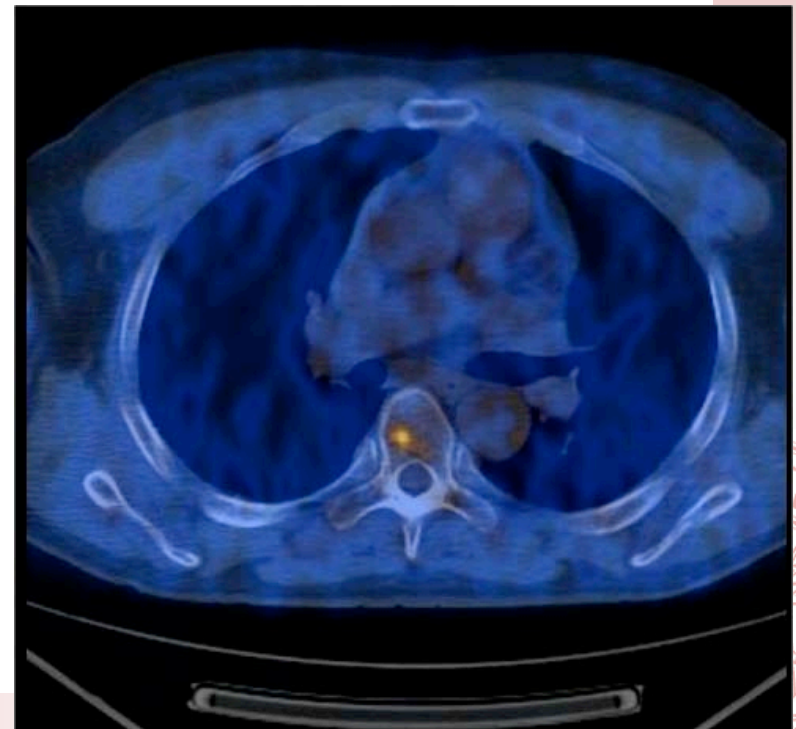
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OCTREOSCAN

^{18}F -DOPA PET

Somatostatin Receptor PET

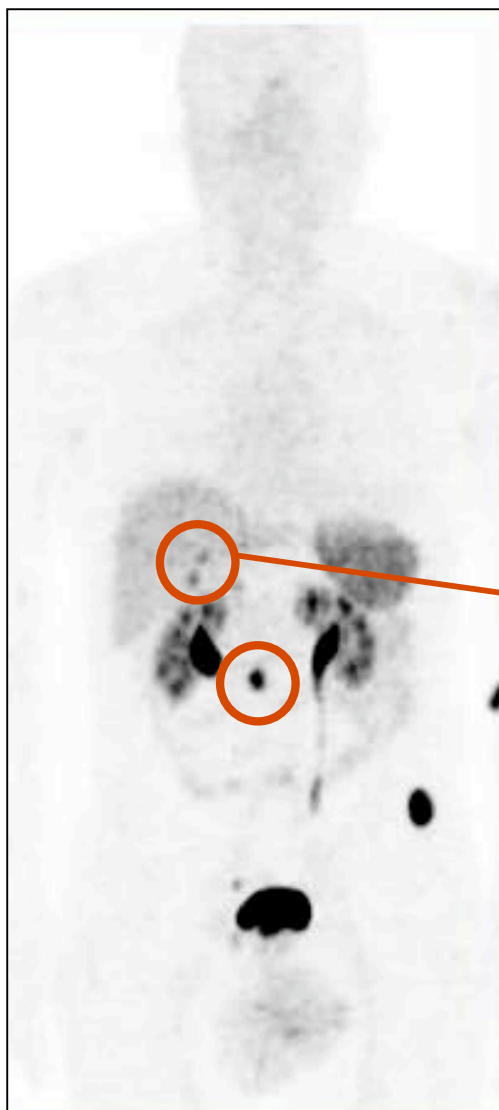


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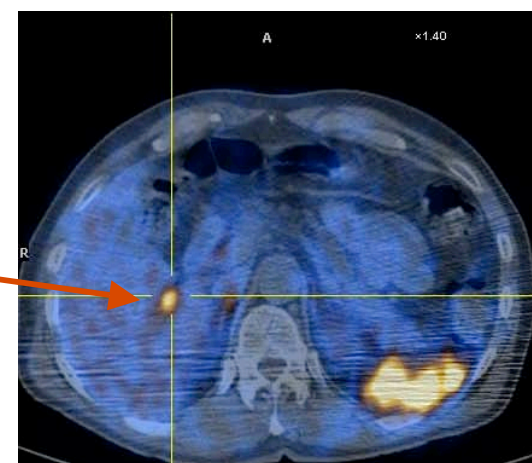




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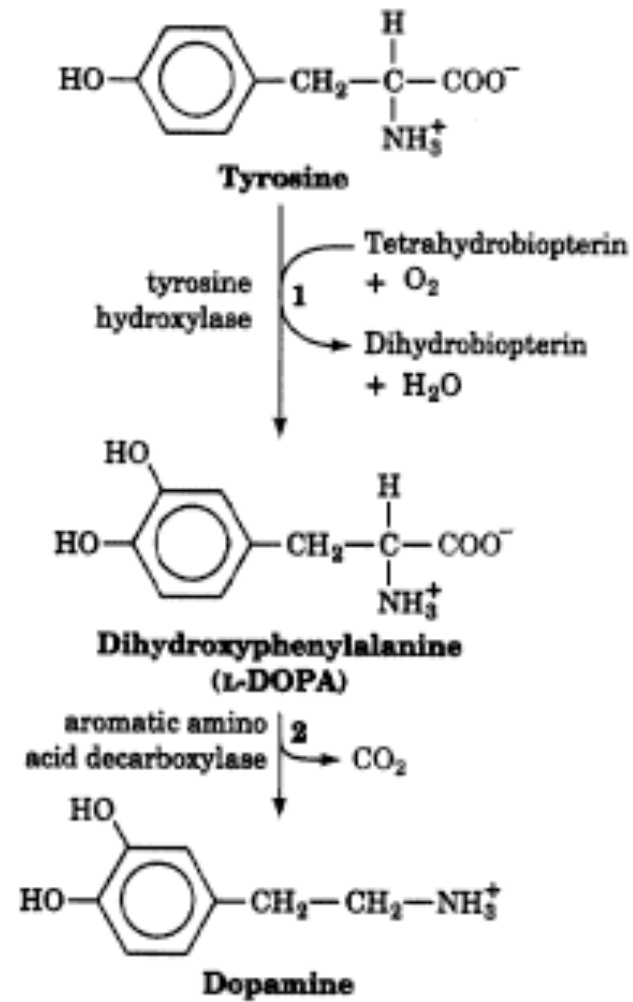
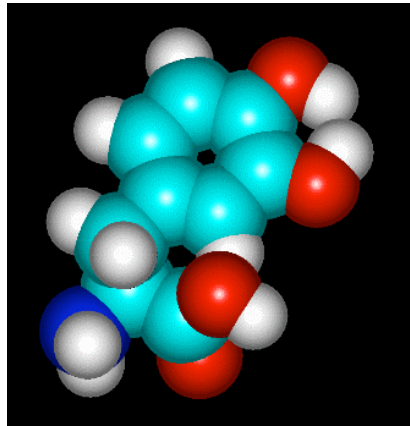


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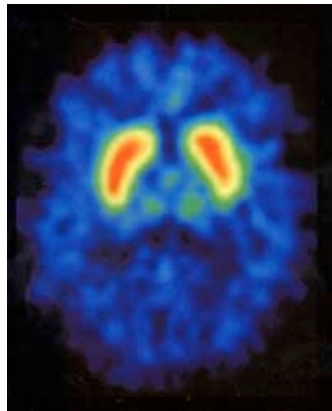




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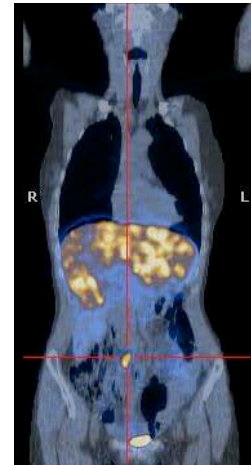
NEUROLOGY:

Movement disorders



ONCOLOGY:

Neuroendocrine tumors



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Pheochromocytomas: Detection with ^{18}F DOPA Whole-Body PET—Initial Results¹

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Whole-Body ^{18}F Dopa PET for Detection of Gastrointestinal Carcinoid Tumors¹

PURPOSE: To evaluate fluorin **374 • Radiology • August 2001**

^{18}F -DOPA positron emission tomography for tumour detection in patients with medullary thyroid carcinoma and elevated calcitonin levels

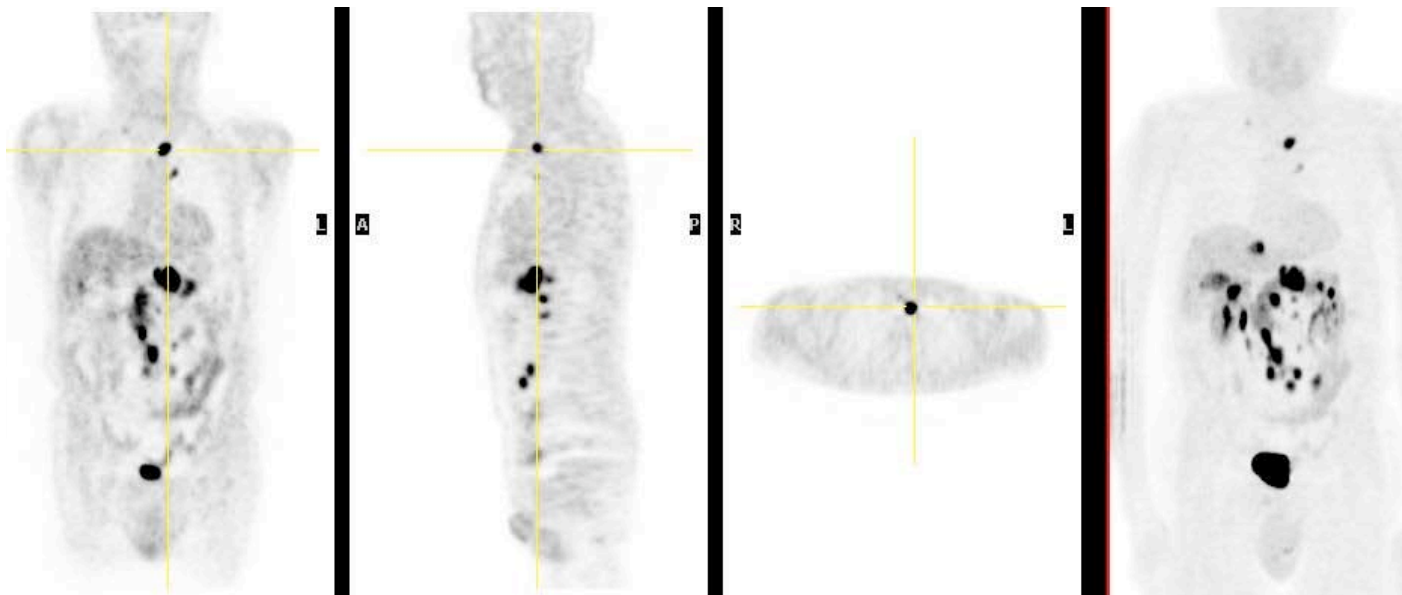
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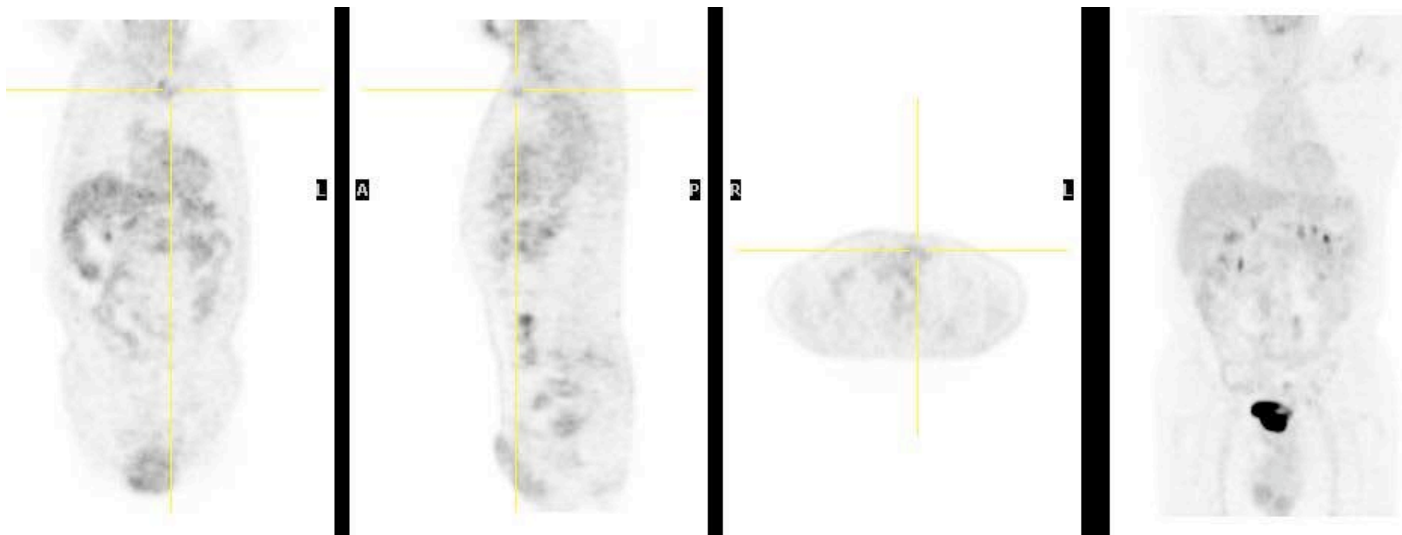
Positron emission tomography with [^{18}F]FDOPA and [^{18}F]FDG in the imaging of small cell lung carcinoma: preliminary results

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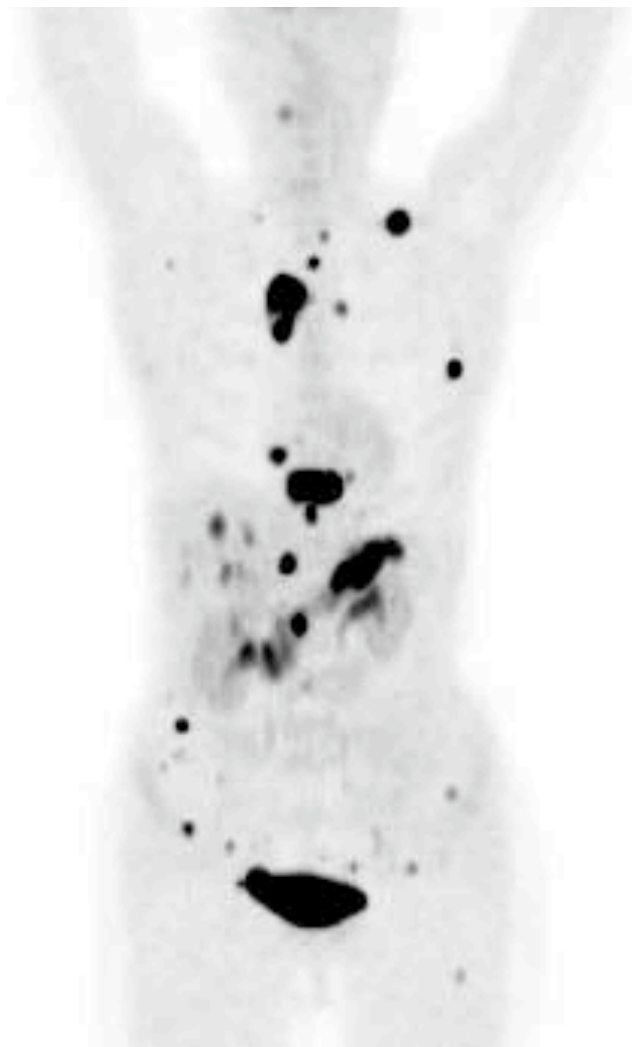
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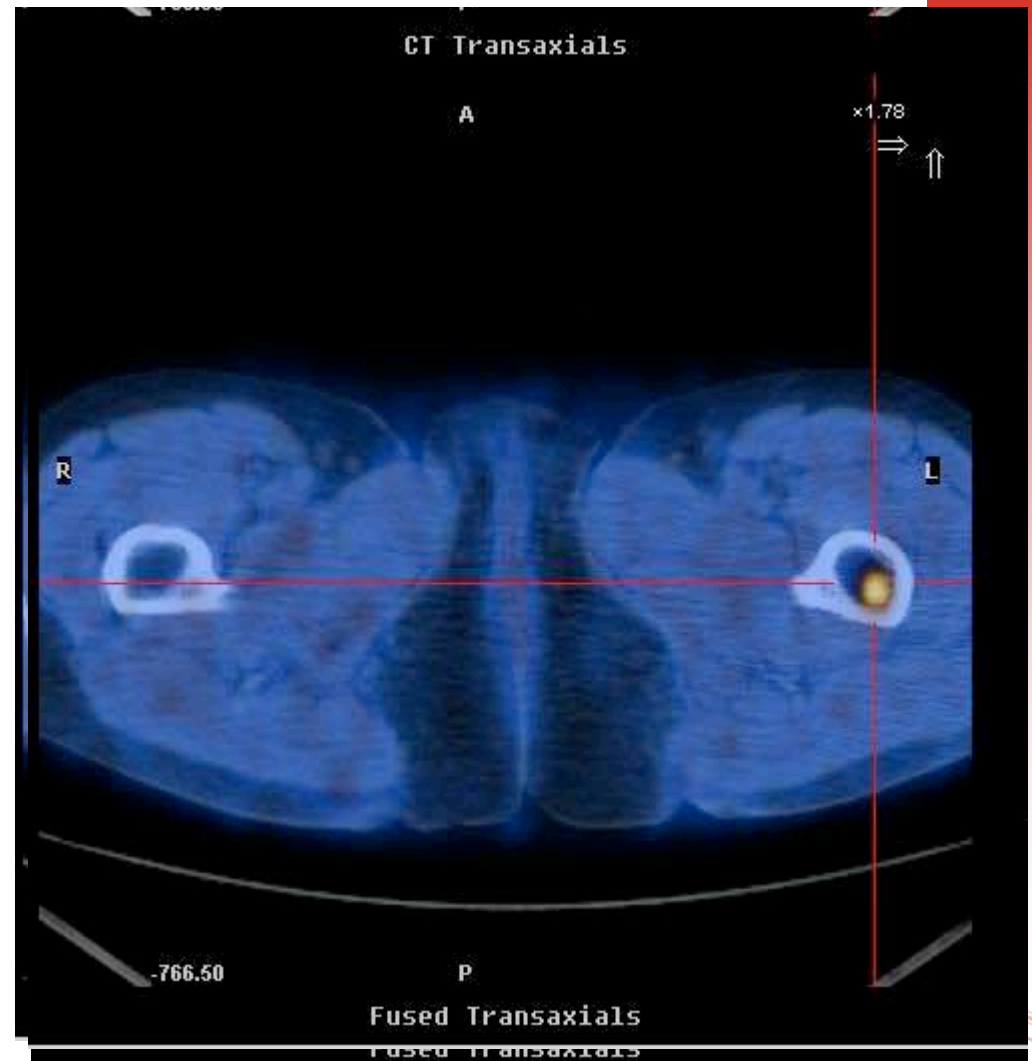
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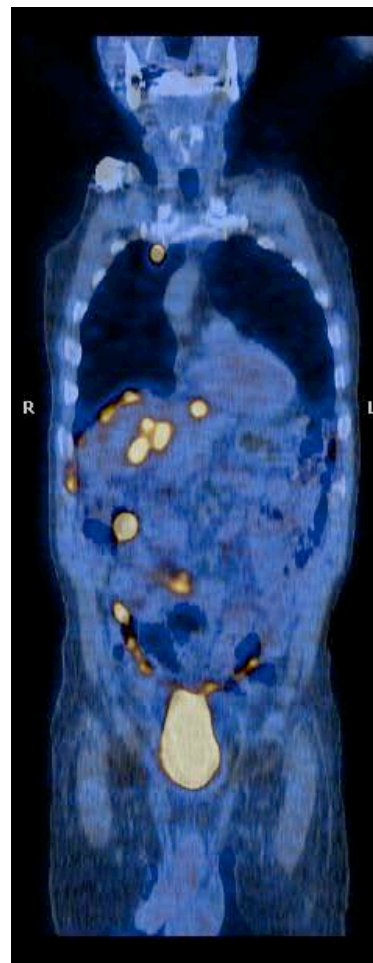
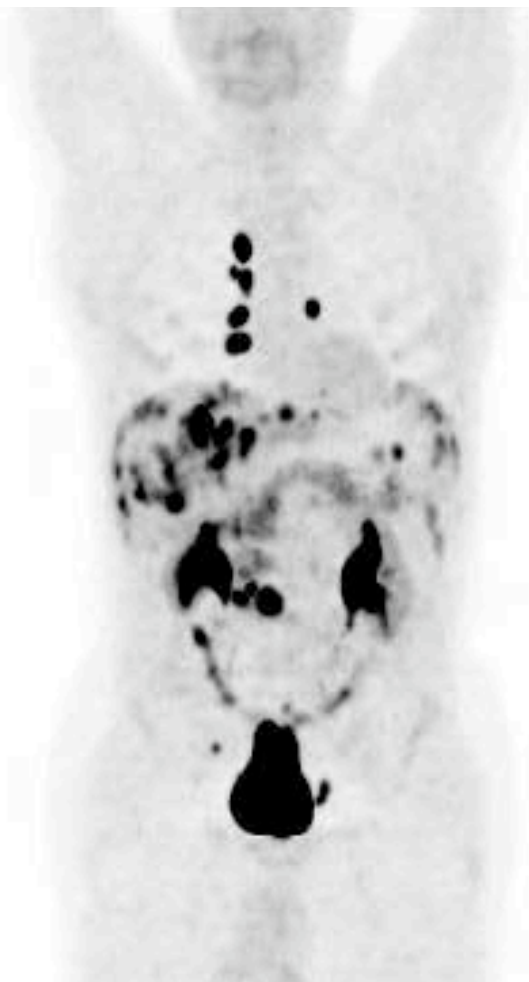
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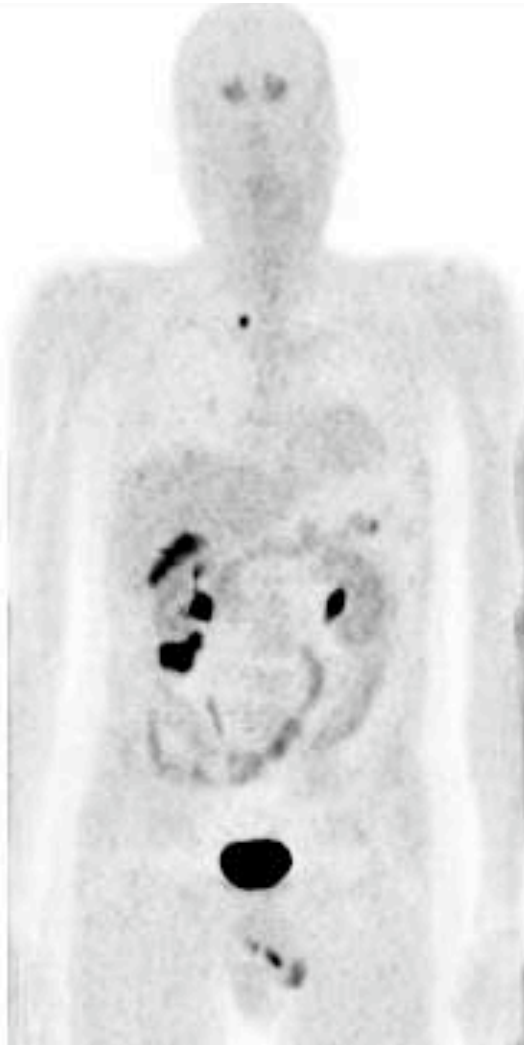
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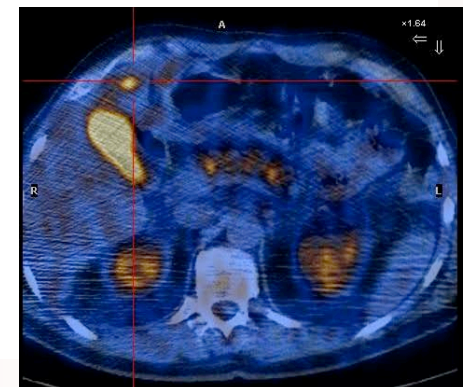
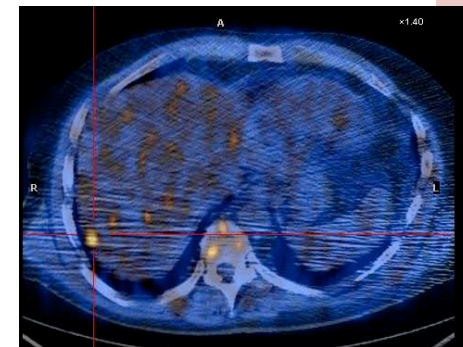
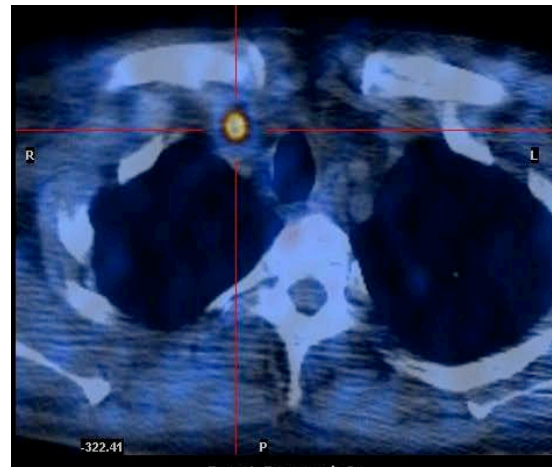
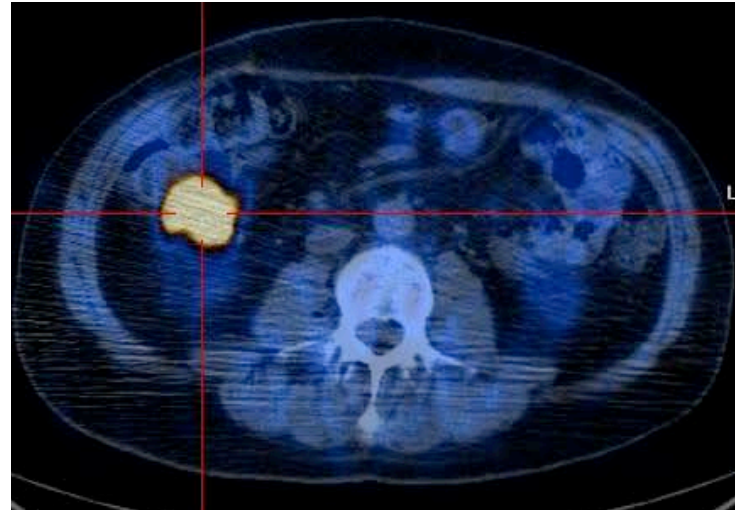


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Imaging of Advanced Neuroendocrine Tumors with ^{18}F -FDOPA PET

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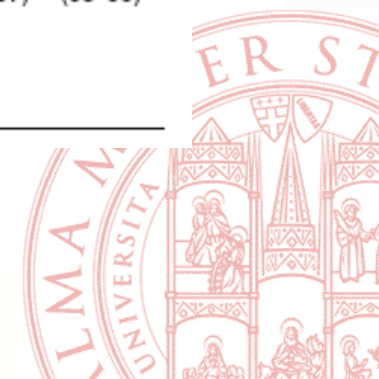
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TABLE 3
Sensitivity and Specificity of SRS and PET in Different Organs and Regions

Parameter	Bone		Mediastinum		Lungs		Liver		Pancreas		Lymph nodes	
	SRS	PET	SRS	PET	SRS	PET	SRS	PET	SRS	PET	SRS	PET
True-negative	11	10	16	16	17	17	7	6	20	20	12	12
True-positive	6	12	3	7	0	1	12	13	2	3	9	10
False-negative	6	0	4	0	5	4	4	3	1	0	2	1
False-positive	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Prevalence	52.2		30.3		21.7		69.7		13.0		47.8	
Sensitivity (%)	50.0	100.0	42.9	100.0	0.0	20.0	75.0	81.3	66.7	100.0	81.8	90.9
	(21–87)	(73–100)	(9–85)	(59–100)	(0–87)	(0–89)	(47–93)	(54–98)	(9–91)	(29–100)	(48–95)	(58–97)
Specificity (%)	100.0	90.9	100.0	100.0	94.4	94.4	100.0	85.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	(71–100)	(56–99)	(79–100)	(79–100)	(72–99)	(72–99)	(59–100)	(42–99)	(83–100)	(83–100)	(73–100)	(73–100)
PPV	100.0	92.3	100.0	100.0	0.0	50.0	100.0	92.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	(54–100)	(63–99)	(29–100)	(59–100)	(0–99)	(1–99)	(73–100)	(66–99)	(15–100)	(29–100)	(66–100)	(69–100)
NPV	64.7	100.0	80.0	100.0	77.3	81.0	63.7	66.7	95.2	100.0	85.7	90.9
	(38–85)	(69–100)	(56–94)	(79–100)	(54–92)	(58–94)	(30–89)	(29–92)	(47–99)	(83–100)	(51–97)	(63–99)

PPV = positive predictive value; NPV = negative predictive value.
95% confidence intervals are in parentheses.



Somatostatin Receptor PET



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□ 1: [Horm Metab Res Suppl.](#) 1993;27:12-7.

New octreotide derivatives for in vivo targeting of somatostatin receptor-positive tumors for single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) and positron emission tomography (PET).

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Two new modifications of the somatostatin analog octreotide, designed to hold the gallium isotopes ^{67}Ga and ^{68}Ga (DFO-SMS, Fig. 1a) and $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ (PnAO-SMS, Fig. 1b) have been synthesized and evaluated in vitro and in vivo in tumor bearing rats. DFO-SMS can be labeled with $^{67}\text{Ga}^{3+}$ and $^{68}\text{Ga}^{3+}$ with high specific activity within less than 30 minutes in a "cold kit" type formulation. The labeled conjugate is stable under physiological conditions. Moreover the binding affinity to somatostatin receptors on rat brain cortex membranes was shown to be retained. In vivo fast tumor localization was demonstrated and the pharmacokinetics proved to be favourable as the main excretion route was via the kidneys. First PET studies with ^{68}Ga -DFO-SMS showed a rapid accumulation in the tumor and a residence half-life at the tumor site of about 6 hours. PnAO-SMS can be labeled with $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ with high radiochemical purity. In vivo the radiotracer accumulates well in the tumor but due to its high lipophilicity, its main excretion route is via the hepatobiliary system.



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In vitro and in vivo evaluation of copper-64-octreotide conjugates.

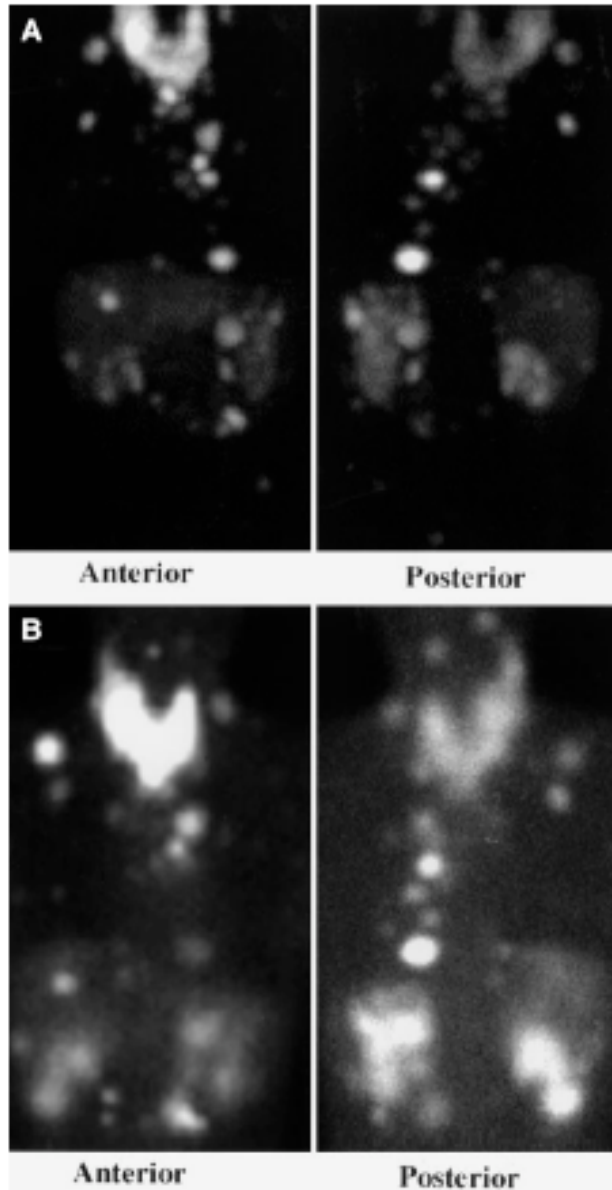
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Copper-64 ($T_{1/2} = 12.8$ hr) is a reactor-produced radionuclide that has applications in both nuclear medicine imaging by PET and radiotherapy. Octreotide, a somatostatin receptor ligand, has been conjugated with TETA and CPTA, labeled with ^{64}Cu , evaluated both in vitro and in vivo and compared to ^{111}In -DTPA-D-Phe1-octreotide. METHODS: The carboxylic acid moieties on the T bifunctional chelates were conjugated to the N-terminal amine of D-Phe using the linking agents hydroxybenzotriazol (HOBT) and diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC). Receptor binding assays on all three radiolabeled octreotide conjugates were accomplished in AtT20 mouse pituitary carcinoma cell membranes. In vivo biodistribution was performed using normal Sprague-Dawley rats and Lewis rats carrying a somatostatin receptor-positive rat pancreatic tumor. RESULTS: The binding affinities of ^{64}Cu -CPTA-D-Phe1-octreotide and ^{64}Cu -TETA-D-Phe1-octreotide in AtT20 cell membranes were both greater than ^{111}In -DTPA-D-Phe1-octreotide (K_d , 78.5 pM, 314 pM and 3.28 nM, respectively). In normal rats, ^{64}Cu -CPTA-D-Phe1-octreotide was localized primarily in the liver. Copper-64-TETA-D-Phe1-octreotide, similar to ^{111}In -DTPA-D-Phe1-octreotide, had moderate uptake in the kidneys; the hepatobiliary uptake was negligible. In rats bearing CA 20948 pancreatic tumors, both ^{64}Cu -CPTA-D-Phe1-octreotide and ^{64}Cu -TETA-D-Phe1-octreotide had uptake in tumors comparable to better than ^{111}In -DTPA-D-Phe1-octreotide. CONCLUSION: Of the two ^{64}Cu -labeled octreotide conjugates evaluated, ^{64}Cu -CPTA-D-Phe1-octreotide has the highest affinity for the somatostatin receptor; however, the clearance was hepatobiliary with slow excretion. Copper-64-TETA-D-Phe1-octreotide binds to the somatostatin receptor with five times the affinity of ^{111}In -octreotide, has desirable clearance properties (renal clearance with rapid excretion) and is a potential agent for PET imaging of somatostatin receptors.



Somatostatin Receptor PET



^{64}Cu -TETA-Octreotide as a PET Imaging Agent for Patients with Neuroendocrine Tumors

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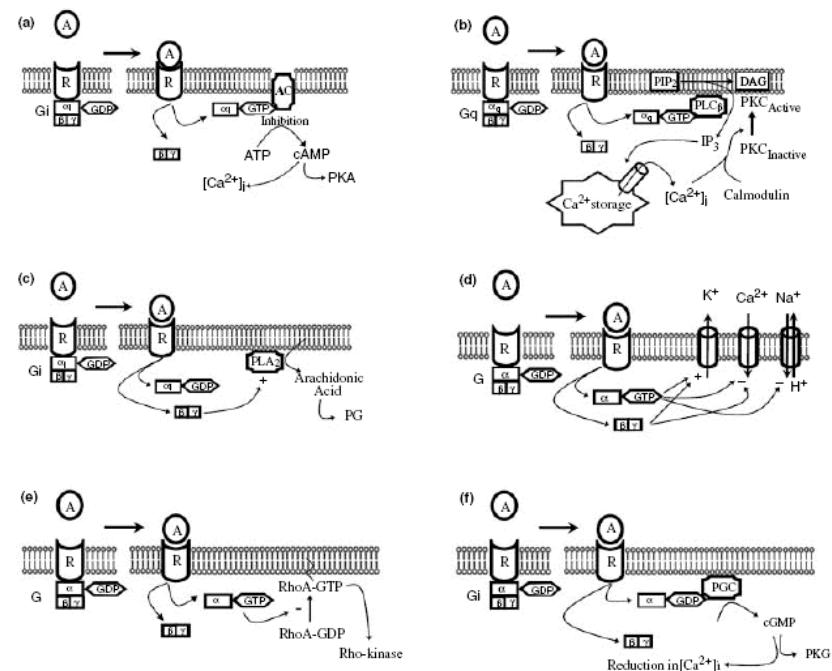
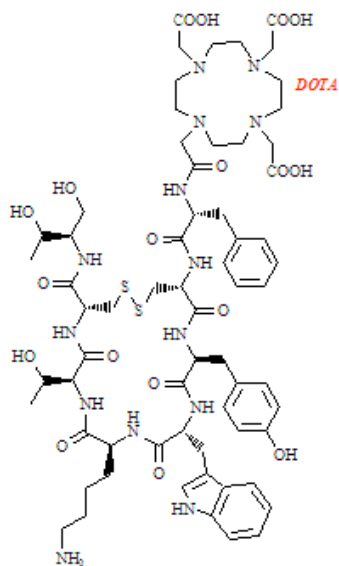
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^{68}Ga Gallium



^{68}Ga -DOTA-SSA _{TOC/NOC/TATE}



Biokinetics and imaging with the somatostatin receptor PET radioligand ^{68}Ga -DOTATOC: preliminary data

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DOTA-NOC, a high-affinity ligand of somatostatin receptor subtypes 2, 3 and 5 for labelling with various radiometals

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Value of ^{111}In -DOTA-*lanreotide* and ^{111}In -DOTA-*pPhe*¹-*Tyr*³-*octreotide* in differentiated thyroid cancer: results of in vitro binding studies and in vivo comparison with ^{18}F -FDG PET

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DOTA-WHAT ?

Compound	R1	R2
DOTA-OC	Phe	Thr(ol)
DOTA-TOC	Tyr	Thr(ol)
DOTA-TATE	Tyr	Thr
DOTA-NOC	Nal-1	Thr(ol)
DOTA-NOC-ATE	Nal-1	Thr
DOTA-BOC	BzThi	Thr(ol)
DOTA-BOC-ATE	BzThi	Thr

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Conclusion This study demonstrates that $^{67/68}\text{Ga}$ -DOTA-octapeptides show distinctly better preclinical, pharmacological performances than the ^{111}In -labelled peptides, especially on sst2-expressing cells and the corresponding animal models. They may be excellent candidates for further development for clinical studies.



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Table 1 Affinity profiles of DOTA-octapeptides (IC₅₀) for hst1–5 receptors

Compound	hst1	hst2	hst3	hst4	hst5
Somatostatin-28	3.8 ± 0.3 (10)	2.5 ± 0.3 (11)	5.7 ± 0.6 (10)	4.2 ± 0.3 (11)	3.7 ± 0.4 (11)
Ga-DOTA-NOC	>10,000 (3)	1.9 ± 0.4 (3) ^b	40.0 ± 5.8 (3)	260 ± 74 (3)	7.2 ± 1.6 (3)
In-DOTA-NOC	>10,000 (3)	2.9 ± 0.1 (3) ^b	8.0 ± 2.0 (3) ^b	227 ± 18 (3)	11.2 ± 3.5 (3)
Lu-DOTA-NOC	>10,000 (3)	3.4 ± 0.4 (3) ^b	12.0 ± 3.3 (3) ^b	747 ± 47 (3) ^b	14.0 ± 3.5 (3) ^b
In-DOTA-BOC	>1,000 (2)	4.4 ± 0.4 (3) ^b	6.8 ± 0.3 (3) ^b	ND	10.5 ± 1.5 (3) ^b
Lu-DOTA-BOC	>1,000 (2)	4.0 ± 0.4 (3) ^b	6.3 ± 0.2 (3) ^b	591 ± 88 (2)	6.5 ± 0.1 (3) ^b
Ga-DOTA-BOC	700 ± 300 (2)	1.7 ± 0.2 (3)	10.5 ± 0.5 (3)	ND	4.4 ± 1.2 (3)
Y-DOTA-NOC-ATE	>1,000 (2)	4.2 ± 2.0 (3)	47 ± 1 (3)	ND	12 ± 1 (3) ^b
Lu-DOTA-NOC-ATE	>1,000 (2)	3.6 ± 0.3 (3) ^b	30 ± 2 (3)	ND	15 ± 1 (3) ^b
Ga-DOTA-NOC-ATE	>1,000 (2)	2.6 ± 0.3 (3)	113 ± 80 (2)	53 ± 30 (2)	25 ± 4 (3)
Y-DOTA-BOC-ATE	>1,000 (2)	2.9 ± 0.3 (3) ^b	23 ± 1 (3)	ND	7.8 ± 2.0 (3)
Ga-DOTA-BOC-ATE	>1,000 (2)	2.0 ± 0.2 (3)	33 ± 23 (2)	35 ± 24 (2)	19.5 ± 13.0 (2)
Somatostatin-28 ^a	5.2 ± 0.3 (19)	2.7 ± 0.3 (19)	7.7 ± 0.9 (15)	5.6 ± 0.4 (19)	4.0 ± 0.3 (19)
Ga-DOTA-TOC ^a	>10,000	2.5 ± 0.5	613 ± 140	>1,000	73 ± 21
Y-DOTA-TOC ^a	>10,000	11.0 ± 1.7 ^a	389 ± 135	>10,000	114 ± 29
Ga-DOTA-OC ^a	>10,000	7.3 ± 1.9	120 ± 45	>1,000	60 ± 14
Y-DOTA-OC ^a	>10,000	20 ± 2 ^b	27 ± 8 ^b	>10,000	57 ± 22
Ga-DOTA-TATE ^a	>10,000	0.20 ± 0.04	>1,000	300 ± 140	377 ± 18
Y-DOTA-TATE ^a	>10,000	1.6 ± 0.4 ^b	>1,000	523 ± 239	187 ± 50 ^b

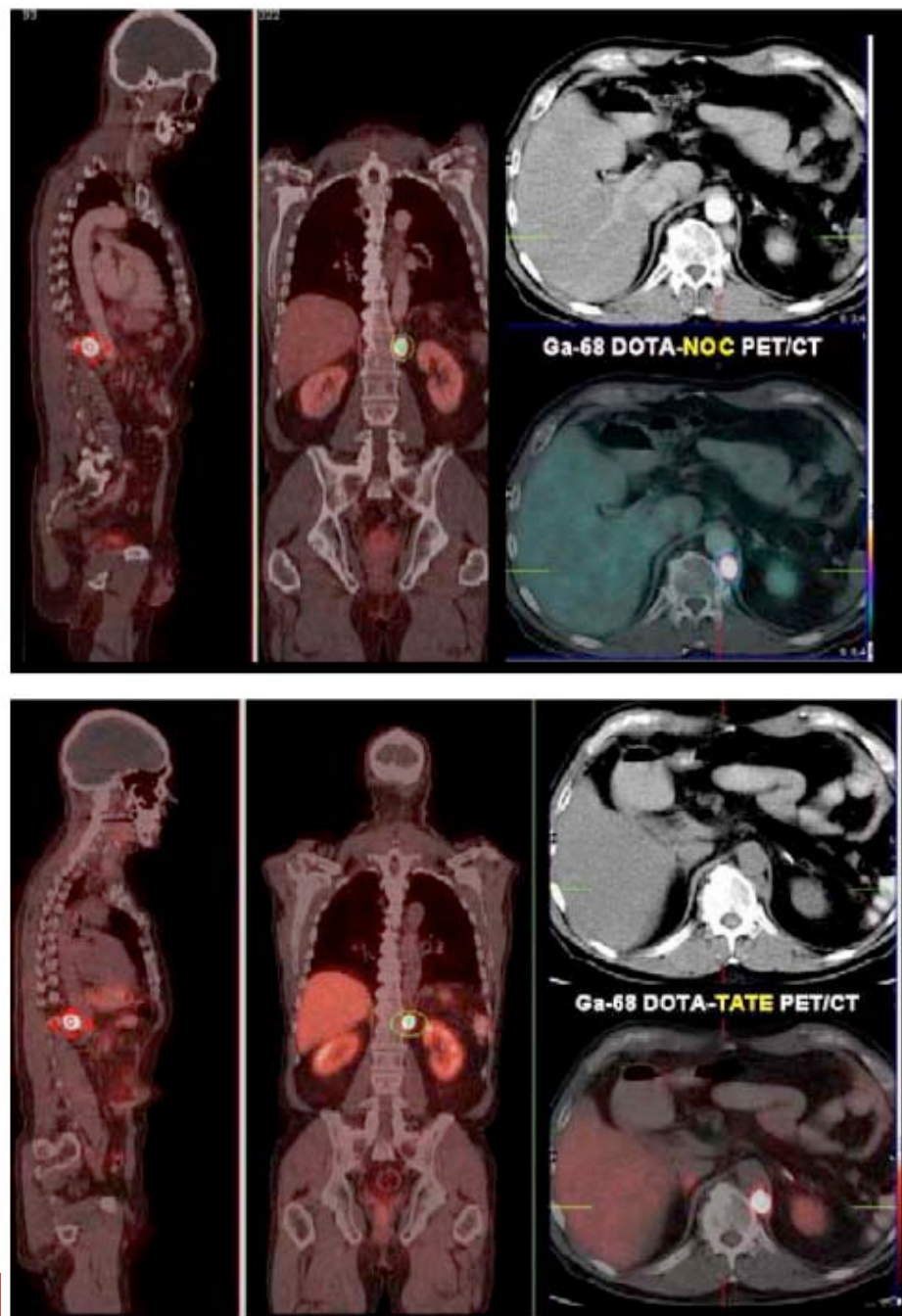


Fig. 3 Comparison between ^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC and ^{68}Ga -DOTA-TATE in the same patient (with a metastatic neuroendocrine pancreatic tumour), along with an ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT scan. The first whole-body PET/CT study (Siemens biograph duo) was performed after i.v. injection of 85 MBq ^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC and revealed very intense uptake (SUV_{max} of 152) in a left retrocrural lymph node metastasis (A). In addition, a liver metastasis (about 10 mm in diameter on MRI) in the right inferior liver segment (S VI) (SUV 11.6, C: a) and a very small parapancreatic lymph node metastasis (C: c) were detected. The second PET/CT scan was performed 3 weeks later after i.v. injection of 130 MBq of ^{68}Ga -DOTA-TATE. Again, very high uptake (SUV_{max} 103) was seen in the retrocrural metastasis (B), but no other lesions were detectable (C: b,d). There was no increased glucose metabolism (normal ^{18}F -FDG PET/CT, D) in any of the lesions shown by receptor PET/CT

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ARTICLE

Evaluation of Positron Emission Tomography Imaging Using [^{68}Ga]-DOTA-D Phe¹-Tyr³-Octreotide in Comparison to [^{111}In]-DTPAOC SPECT. First Results in Patients with Neuroendocrine Tumors

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TABLE 5
Comparison of 3 Imaging Modalities: PET, SPECT, and CT

Parameter	PET (%)	SPECT (%)	CT (%)
Sensitivity	97 (69/71)	52 (37/71)	61 (41/67)
Specificity	92 (12/13)	92 (12/13)	71 (12/17)
Accuracy	96 (81/84)	58 (49/84)	63 (53/84)

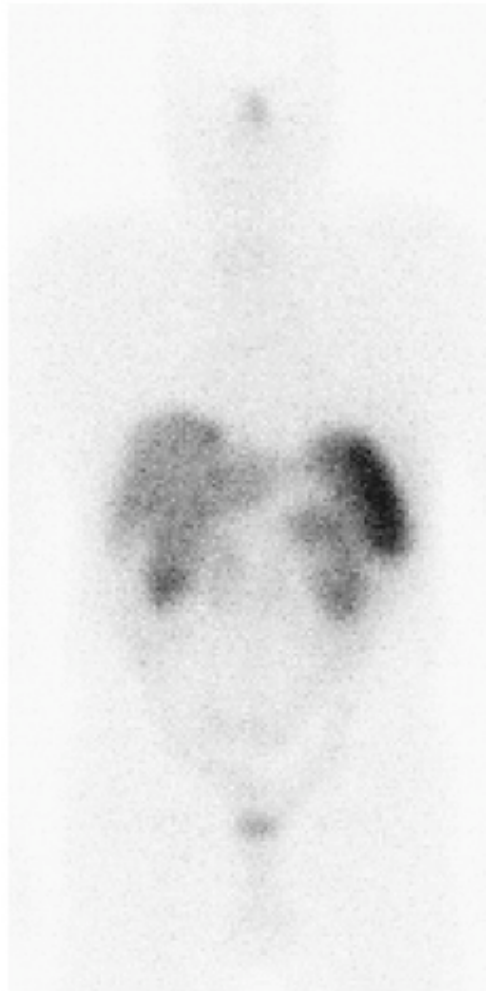
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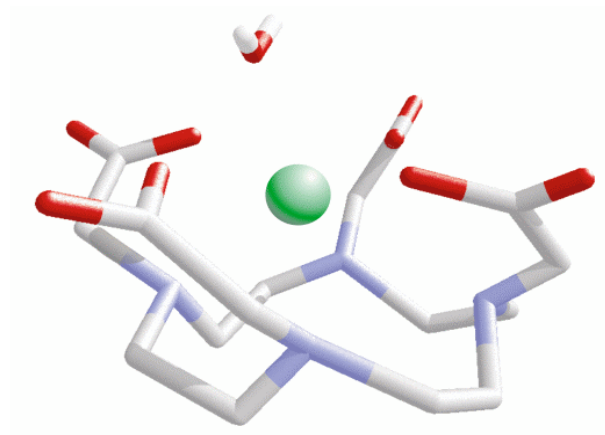
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^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC



DOTA-NOC, a high-affinity ligand of somatostatin receptor subtypes 2, 3 and 5 for labelling with various radiometals

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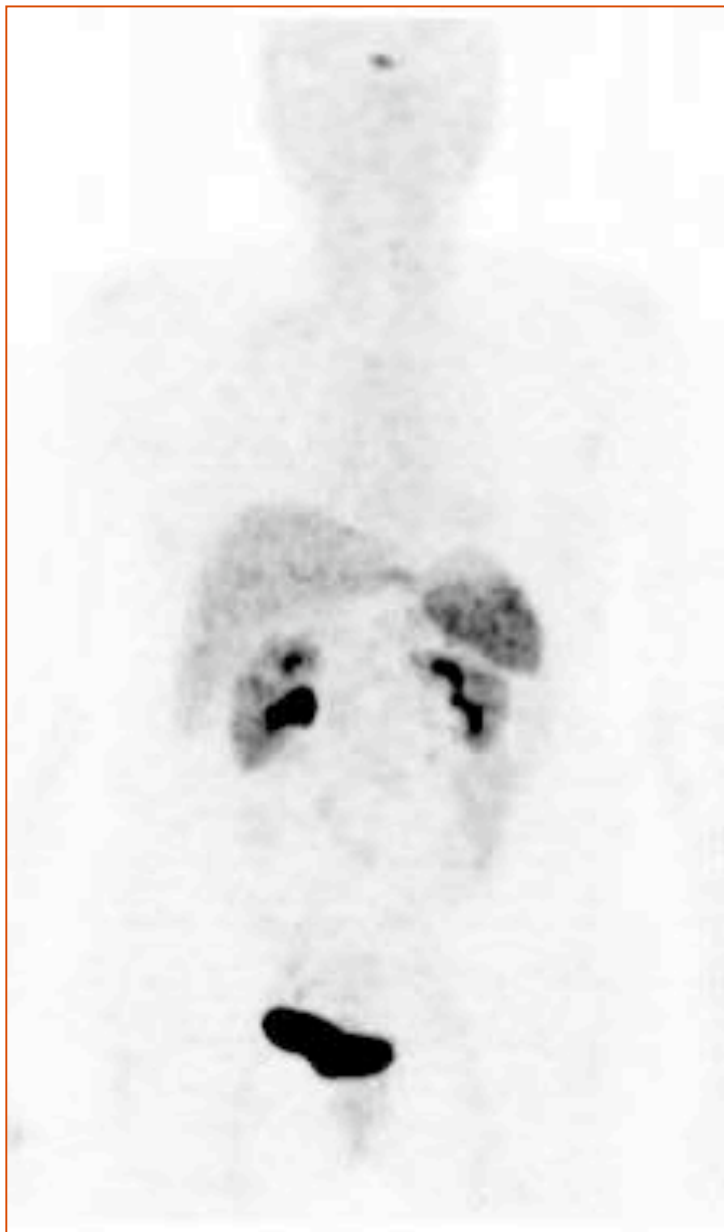
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^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC

**Normal biodistribution 60 min
after iv injection**



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Table 5 Comparison of absorbed dose of selected organs among ⁶⁸Ga-DOTANOC, ¹¹¹In-DTPAOC, ¹¹¹In-DOTATOC

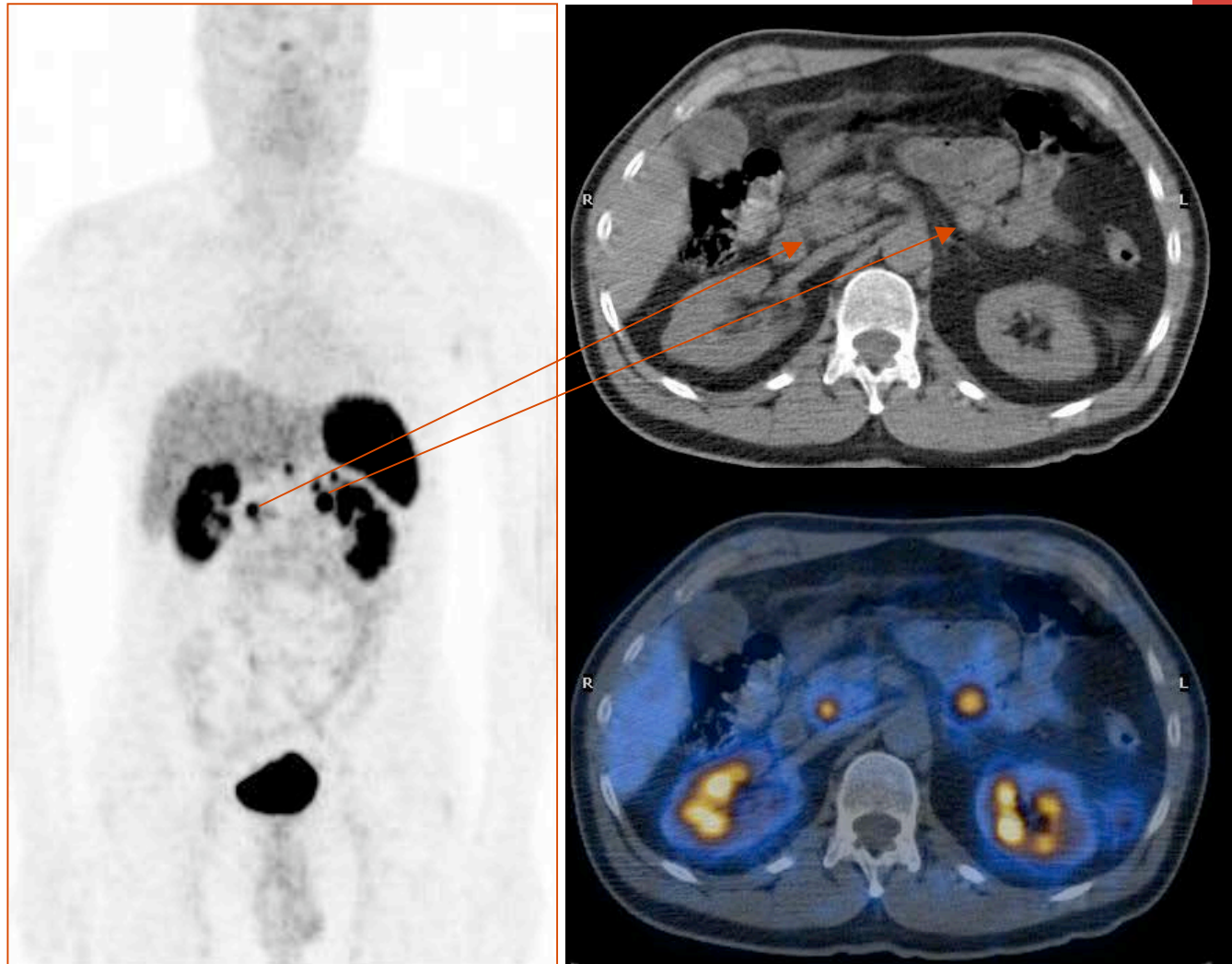
Organs	⁶⁸ Ga- DOTANOC (mGy/MBq)	¹¹¹ In- DTPAOC ^a (mGy/MBq)	¹¹¹ In- DOTATOC ^a (mGy/MBq)
Kidneys	8.97E-02	4.70E-01	5.00E-01
Liver	3.38E-02	7.00E-02	5.00E-02
Spleen	7.25E-02	3.60E-01	4.70E-01
Urinary bladder wall	8.36E-02	1.90E-01	1.60E-01
ED (mSv/MBq)	1.67E-02	5.00E-02	5.00E-02

^aData from Kwekkeboom et al. *J Nucl Med.* 1999;40: 762–767



**Staging small
NET of the
pancreas:**

GaDOTANOC
shows the
primary NET
and some
secondary
peripancreatic
lymph nodes



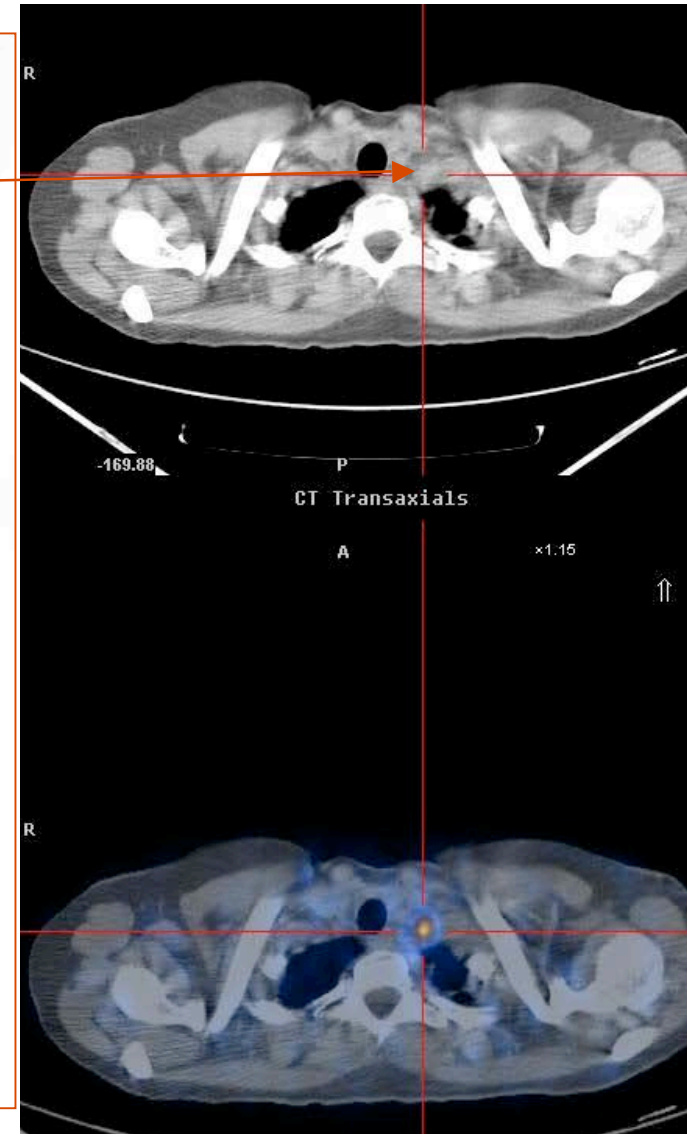
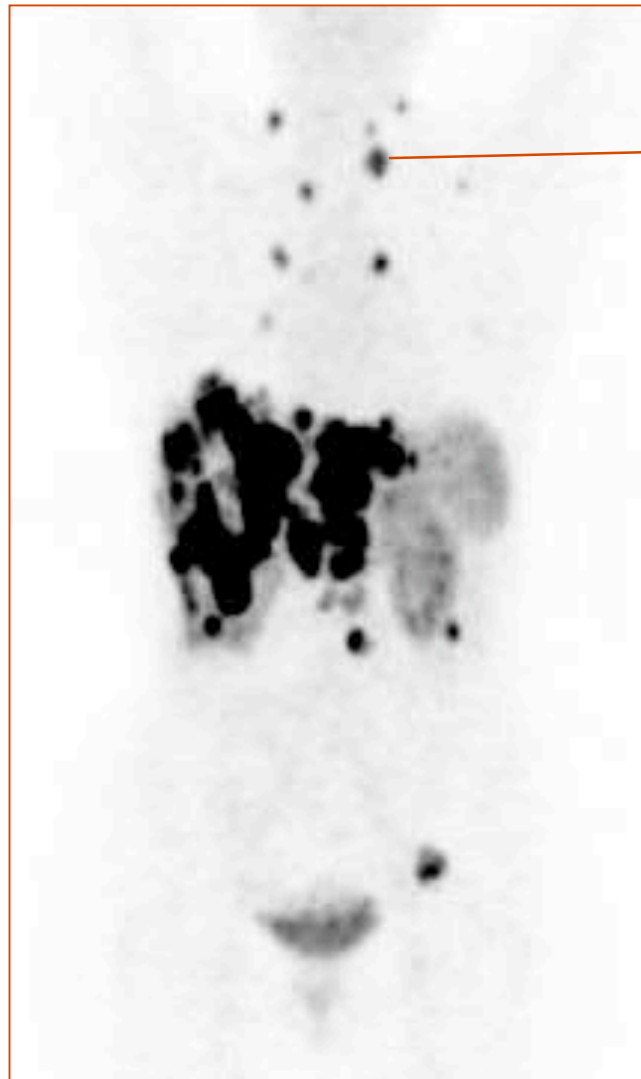
High sensitivity for small primary lesions (T).



Staging of NET of the pancreas

CT lung, liver, bone lesions

Ga-DOTANOC: lung, lymph node, liver, multiple bone, abdominal

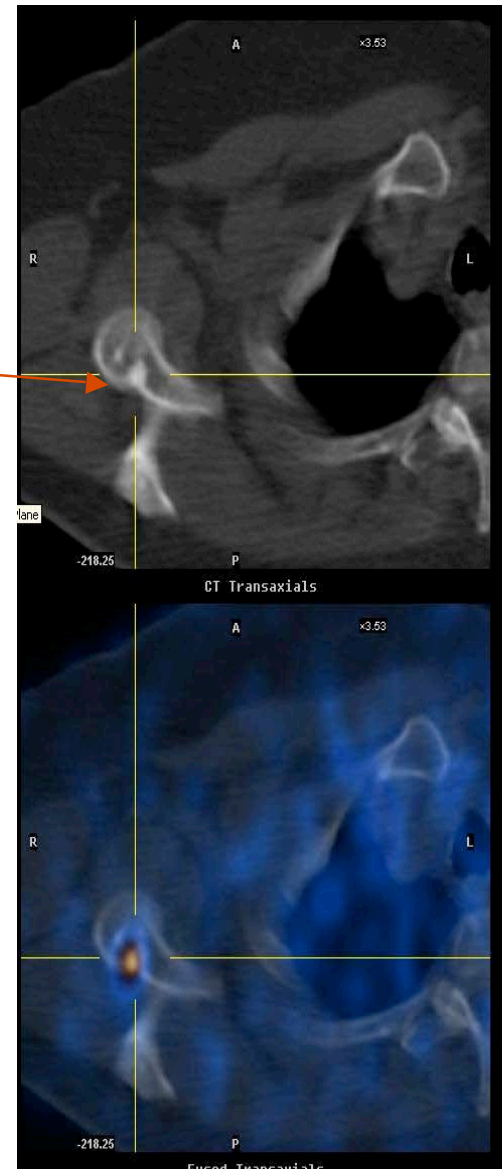
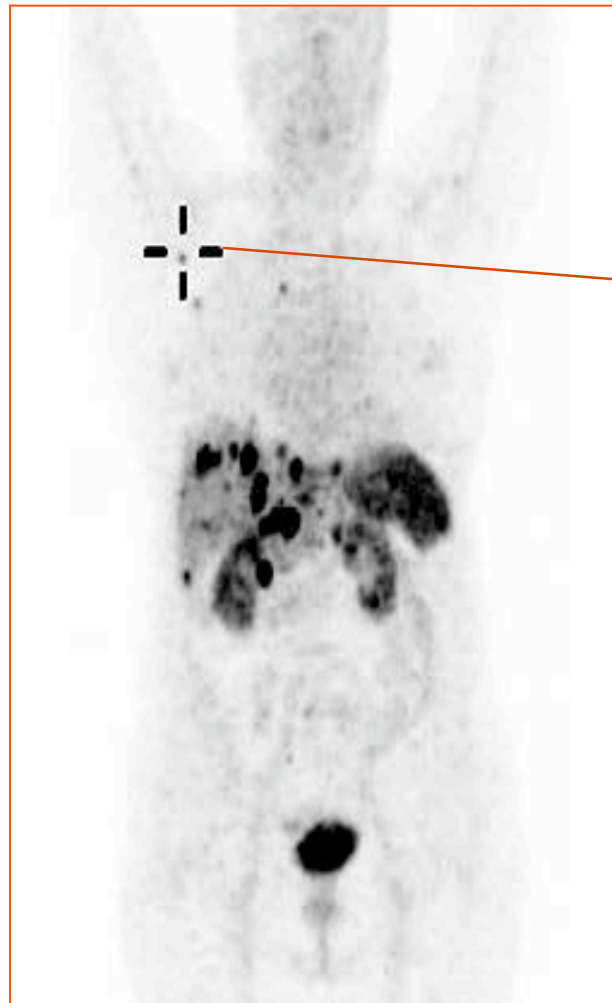


High sensitivity for lymph nodes lesions (N)



Staging of NET of the pancreas

Ga-DOTANOC
SHOWS
pancreas, lymph
nodes, liver,
multiple small
bone lesions.

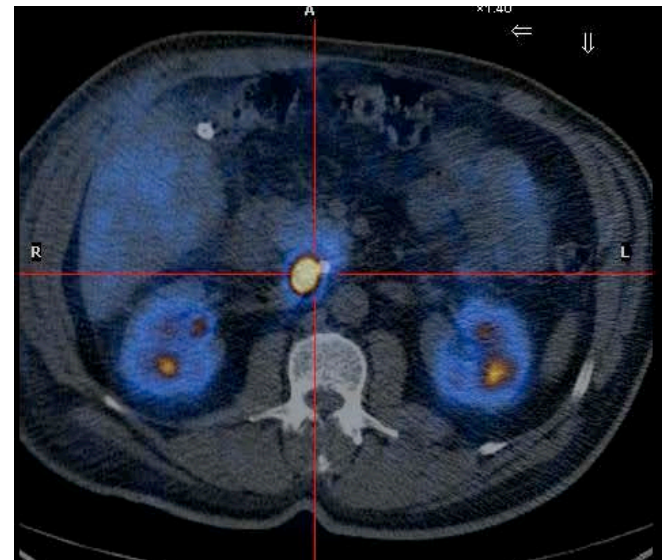
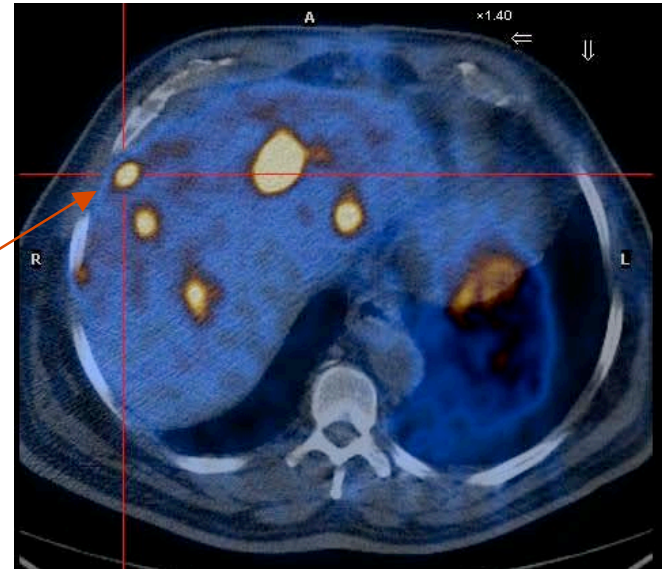
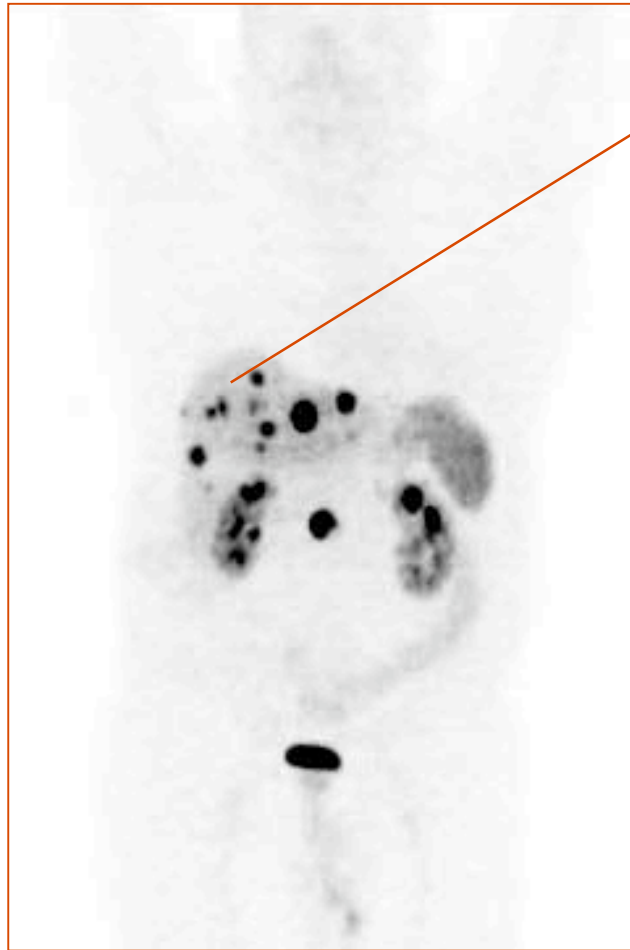


High sensitivity for small bone lesions (M)



Staging of NET of the pancreas

Ga-DOTANOC
SHOWS
pancreas, lymph
nodes, multiple
liver lesions.

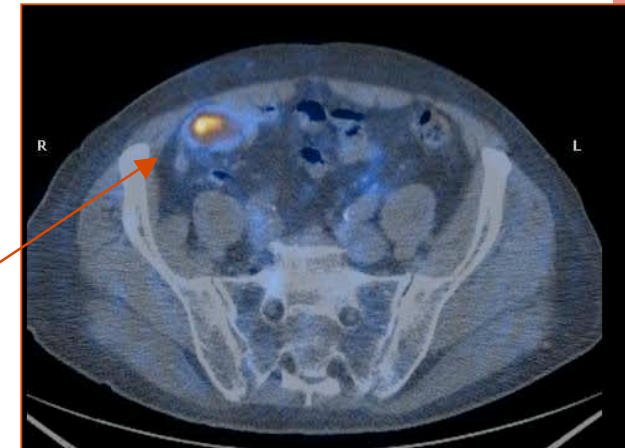
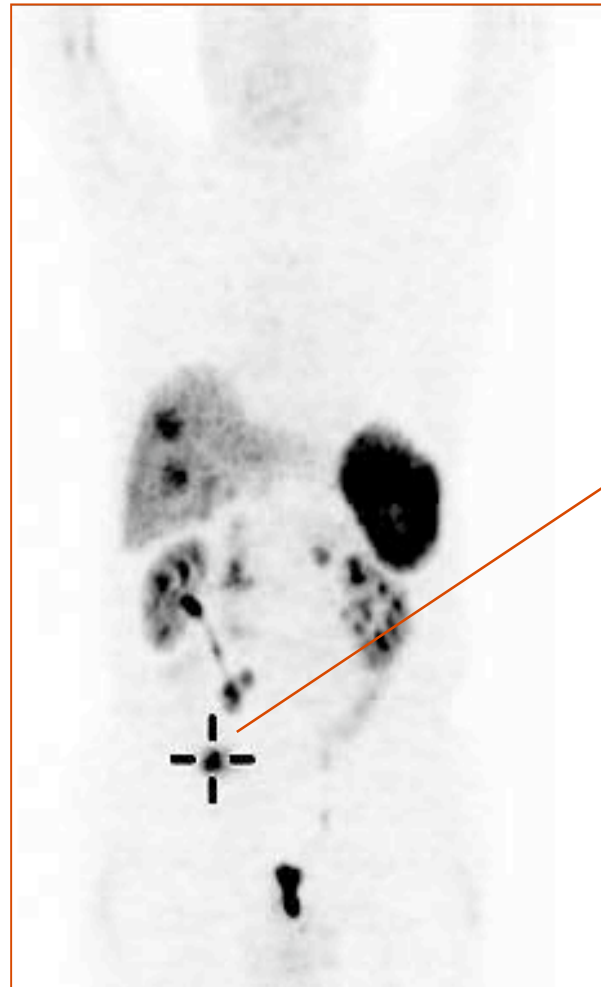


High sensitivity for small liver lesions (M)



NET with multiple
liver and lymph-
node lesions:
Unknown primary

Pathologic Ga-
DOTA-NOC uptake
in the **ileum**.

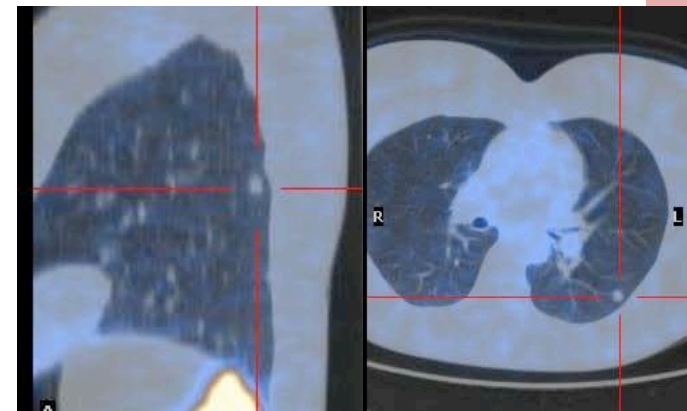
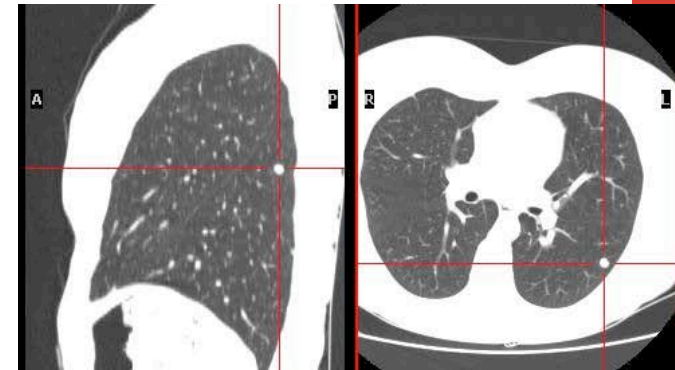


Identification of unknown primary NET



**Young patient
with suspect
carcinoid at
CT.**

Ga-DOTA-NOC
ruled out the
presence of
SSR, negative
follow-up.



Evaluation of suspect findings at CI



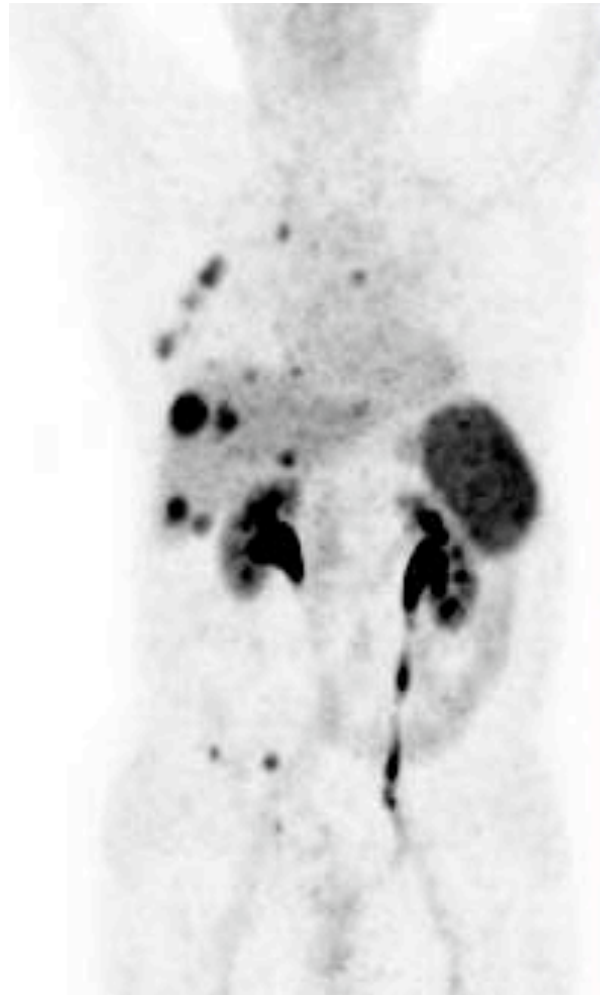
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^{18}F -DOPA PET





^{18}F -DOPA



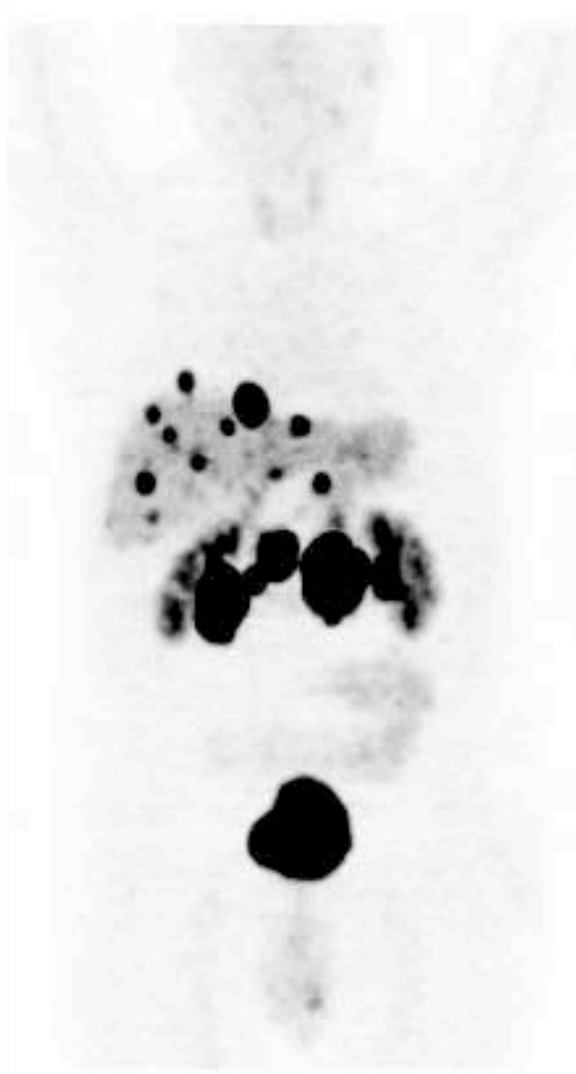
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Metastatic
Bronchial
Carcinoid





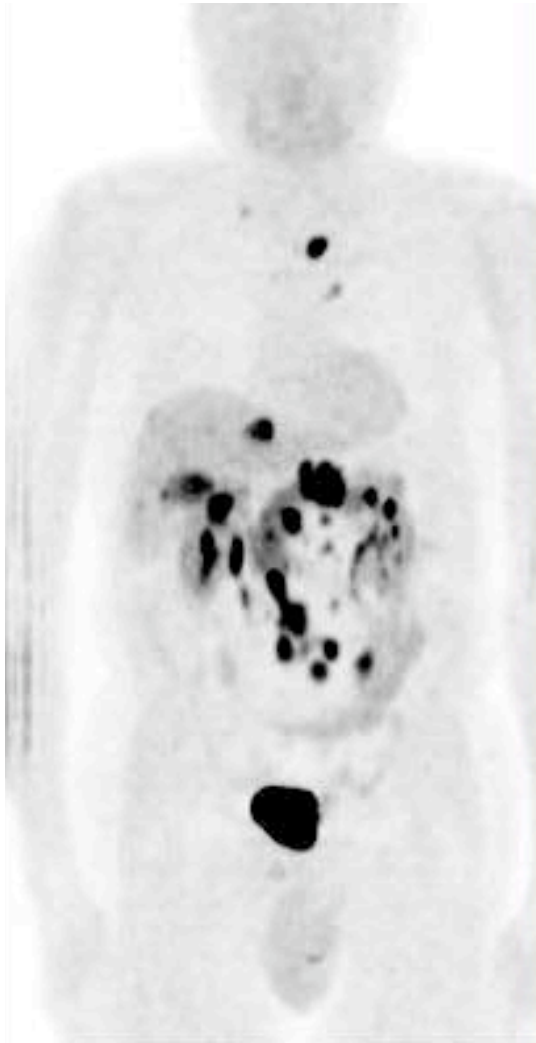
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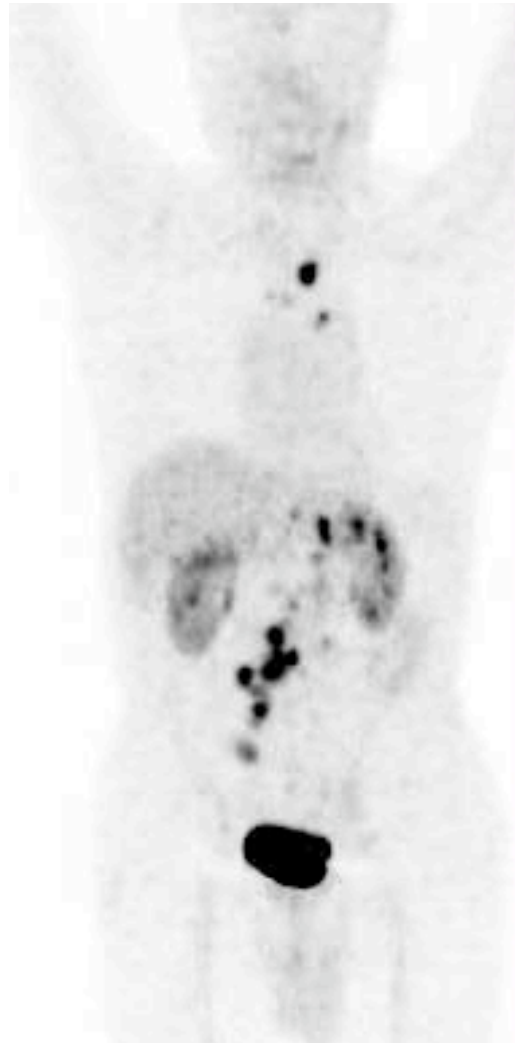
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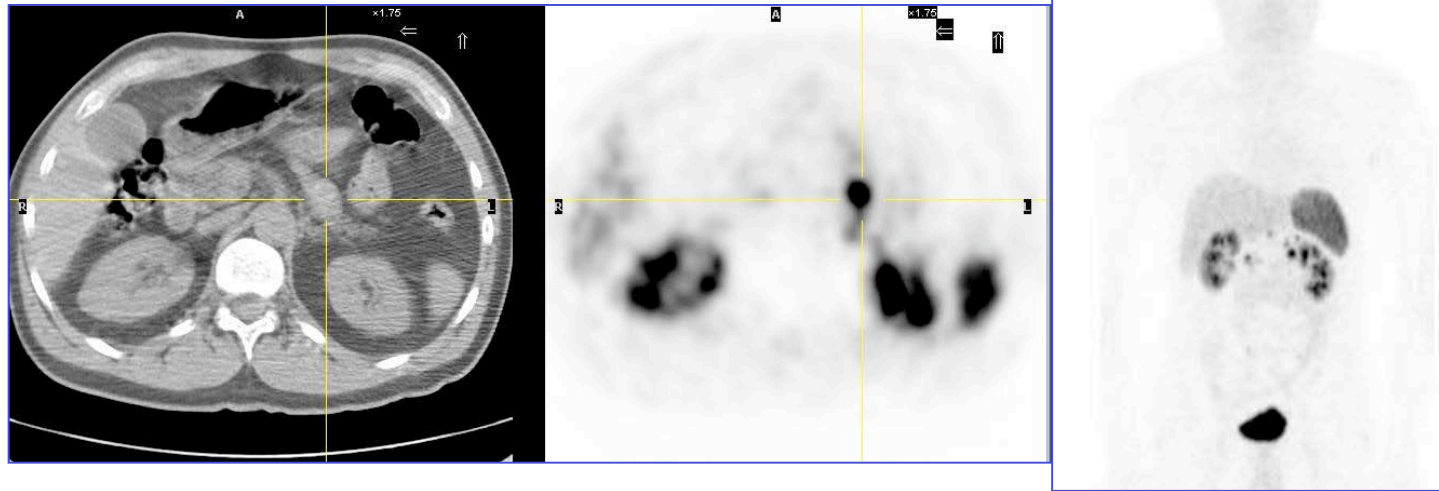


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Metastatic
Carcinoid

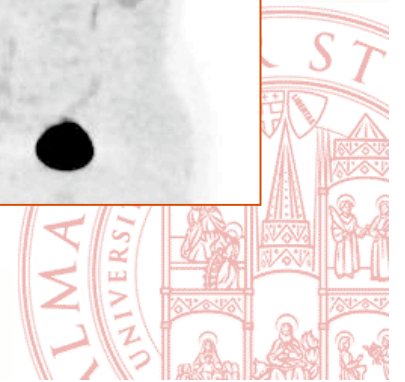
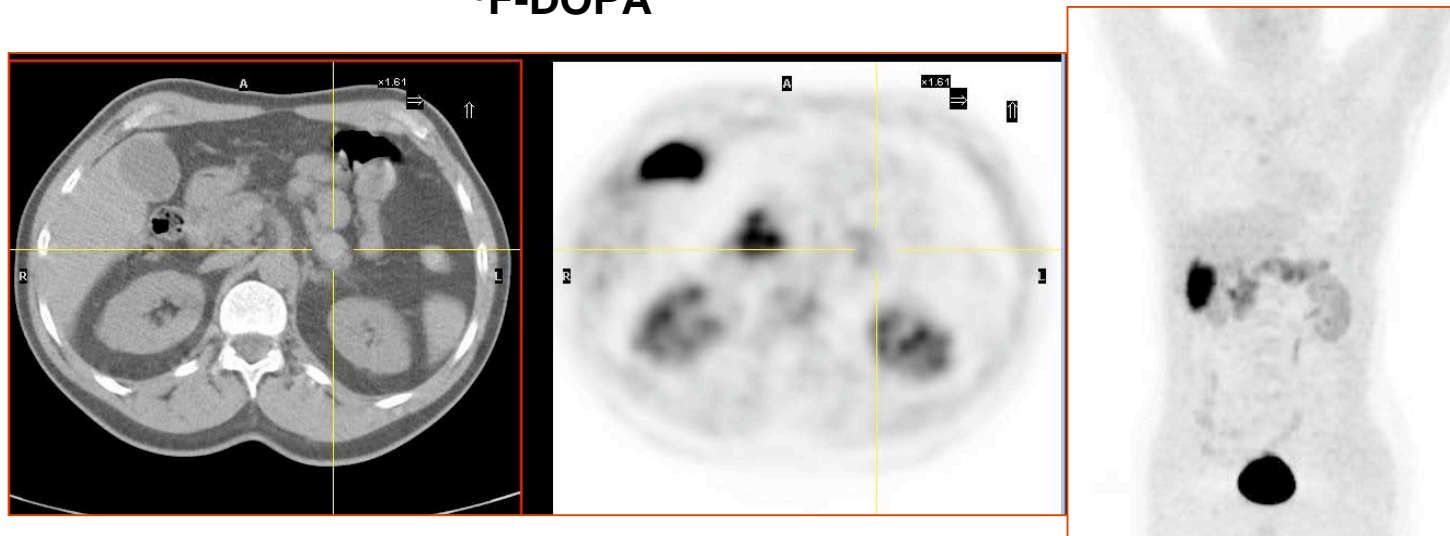


^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC



Restaging MEN 1

^{18}F -DOPA



Comparison between ^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC and ^{18}F -DOPA PET for the detection of gastro-entero-pancreatic and lung neuro-endocrine tumours

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Table 2 Number of lesions detected by the different imaging modalities

Lesion site	^{68}Ga -DOTA-NOC PET	^{18}F -DOPA PET	CT-US
Lymph nodes	25	21	23
Liver	40	22	34
Lung	6	2	10
Bone	10	10	5



CONCLUSIONS



Somatostatin Receptor PET

More Accurate than CI (incl SRS)

Less Expensive (2 pts/week)

Less Complicated

Predictive of Response to Therapy



^{18}F -DOPA PET

Useful in SSR negative tumours

Accurate but expensive

^{18}F -FDG PET

Useful in indifferentiated NET



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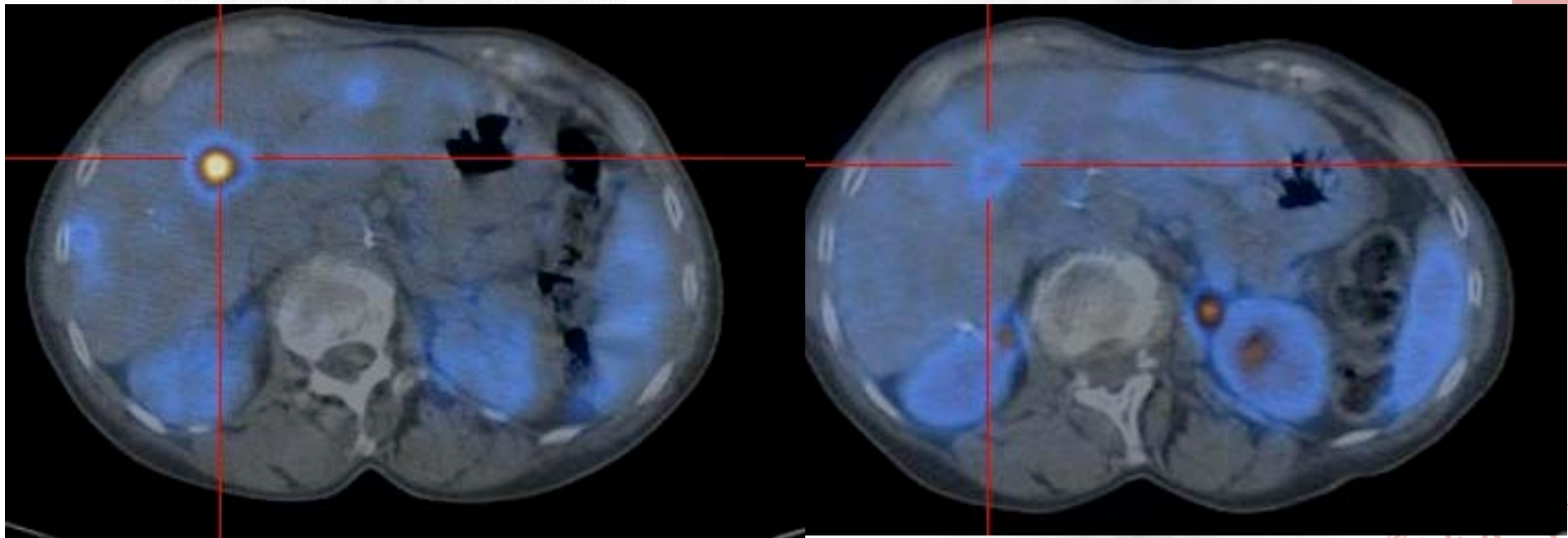
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NET Receptor Radionuclide Therapy:

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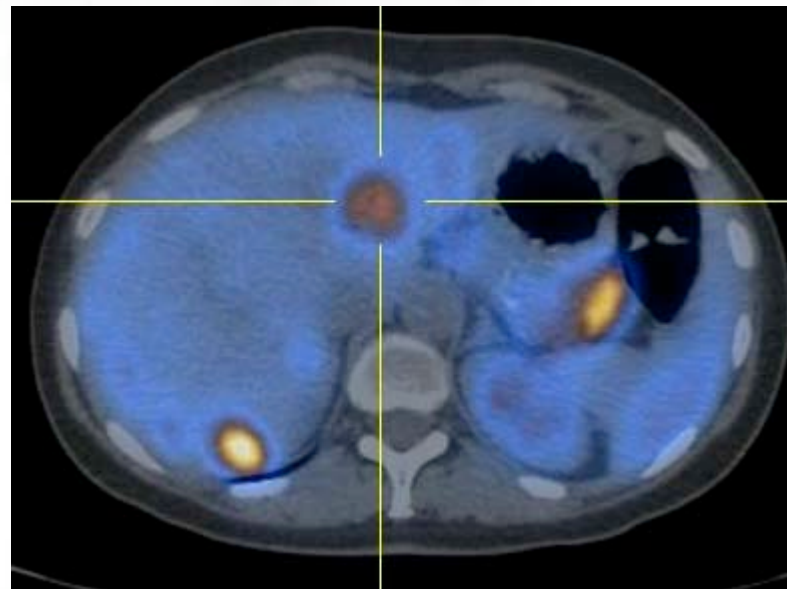
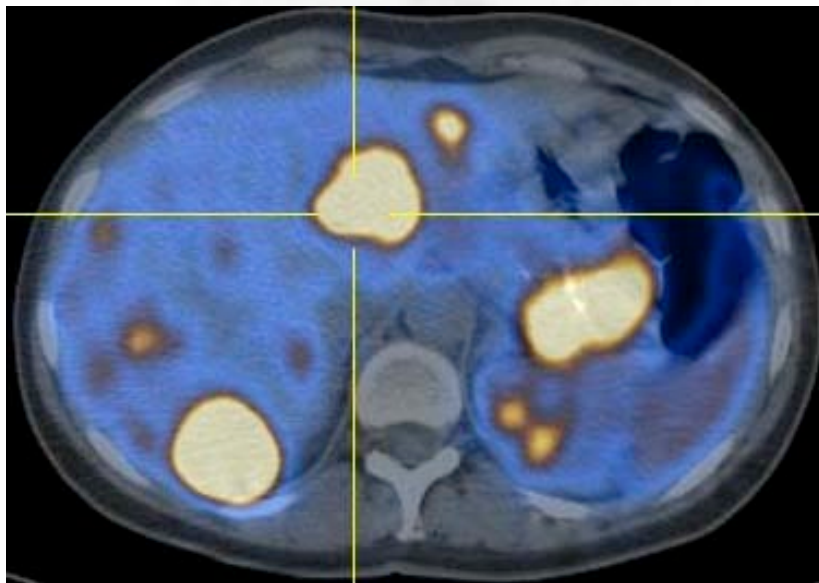
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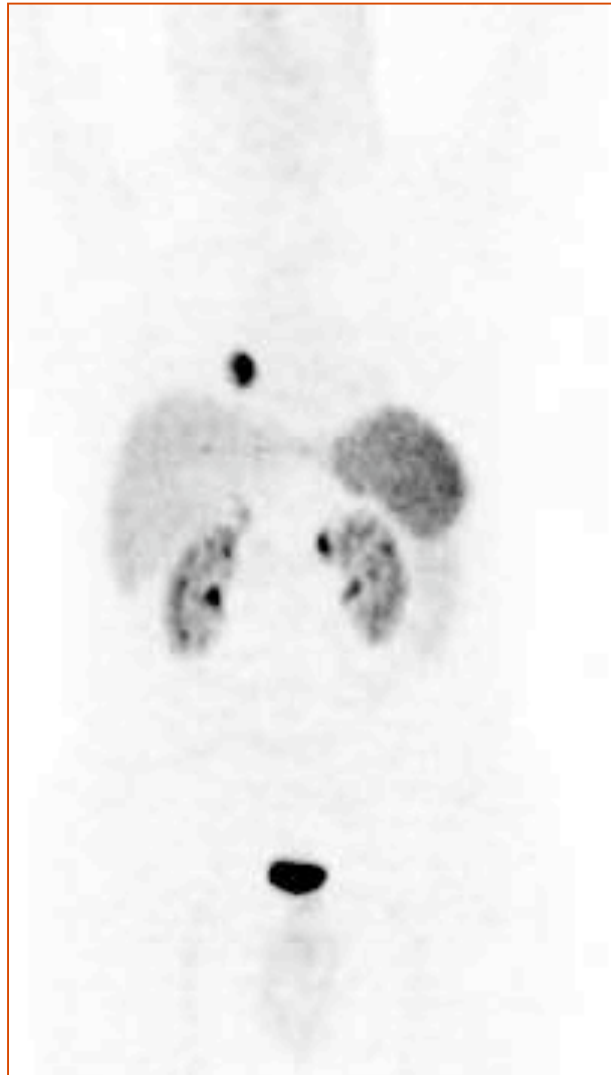
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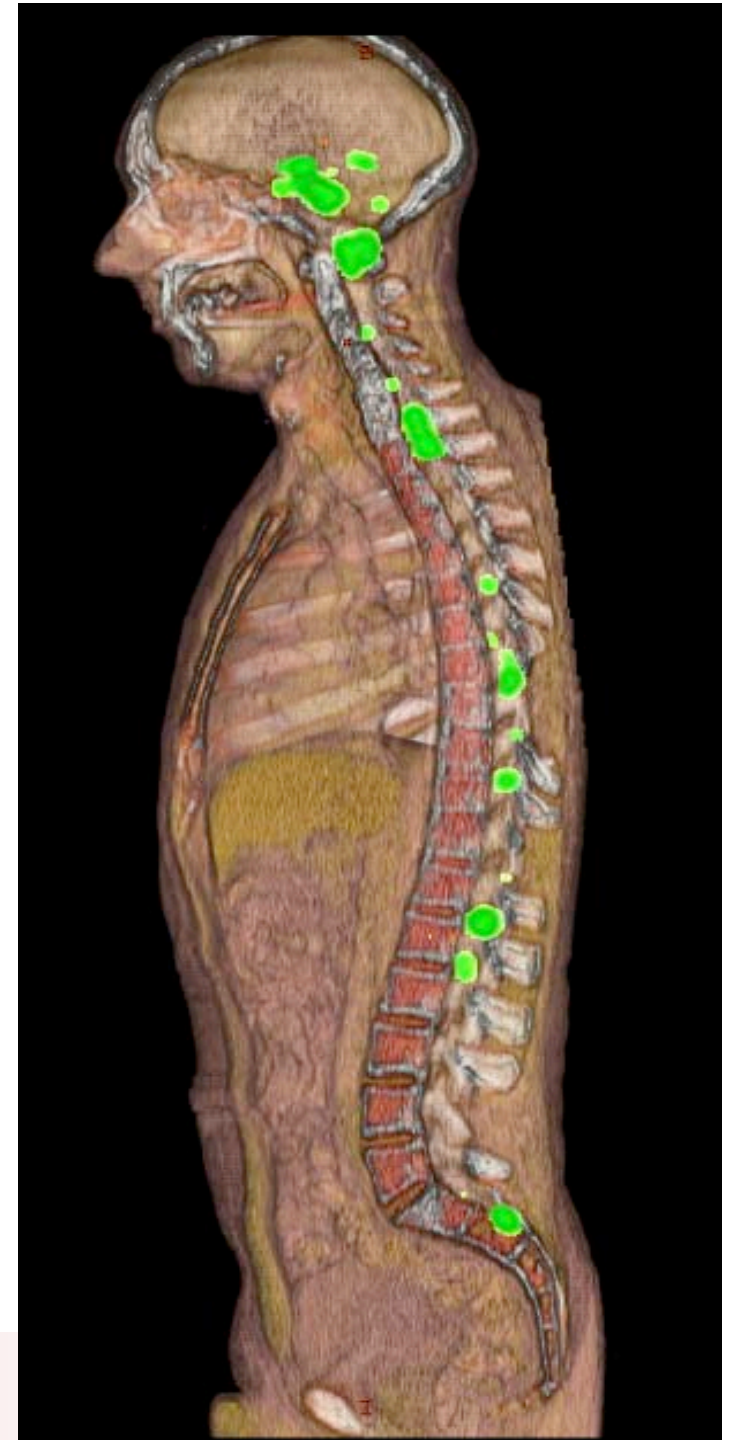
Excision of a para-renal paraganglioma in 2005.
Suspect relapse.

Ga DOTA-NOC shows
a **paraganglioma**
close to the cava
superior.

Surgery confirmed the
PET finding.

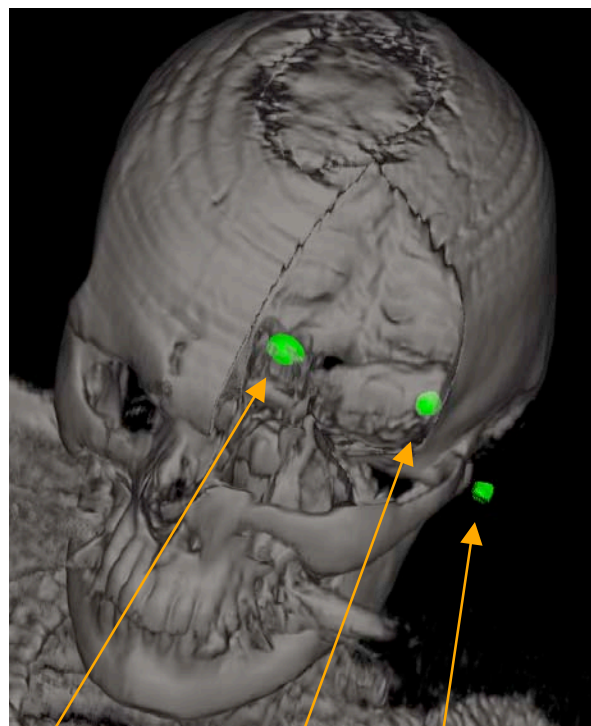


Multiple
vertebral
paraganglioma



Suspect relapse
of NET at left ear

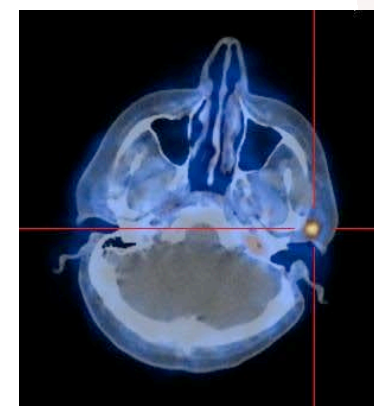
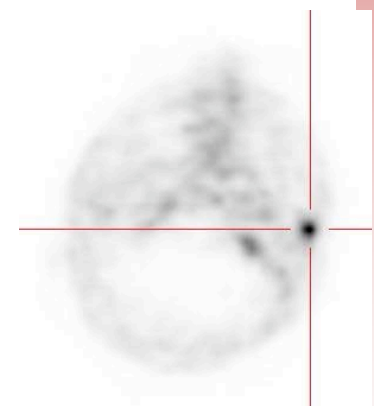
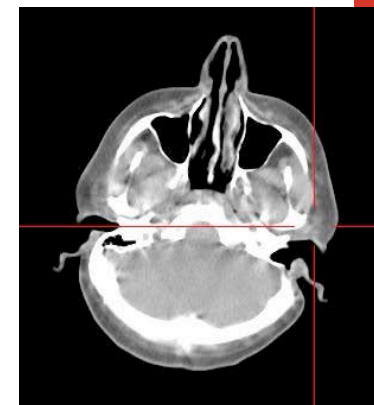
PET confirmed
local relapse and
nodal
involvement



PITUITARY
GLAND

LEFT EAR
RELAPSE

NODAL
INVOLVEMENT



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