

Overview of prostate cancer imaging

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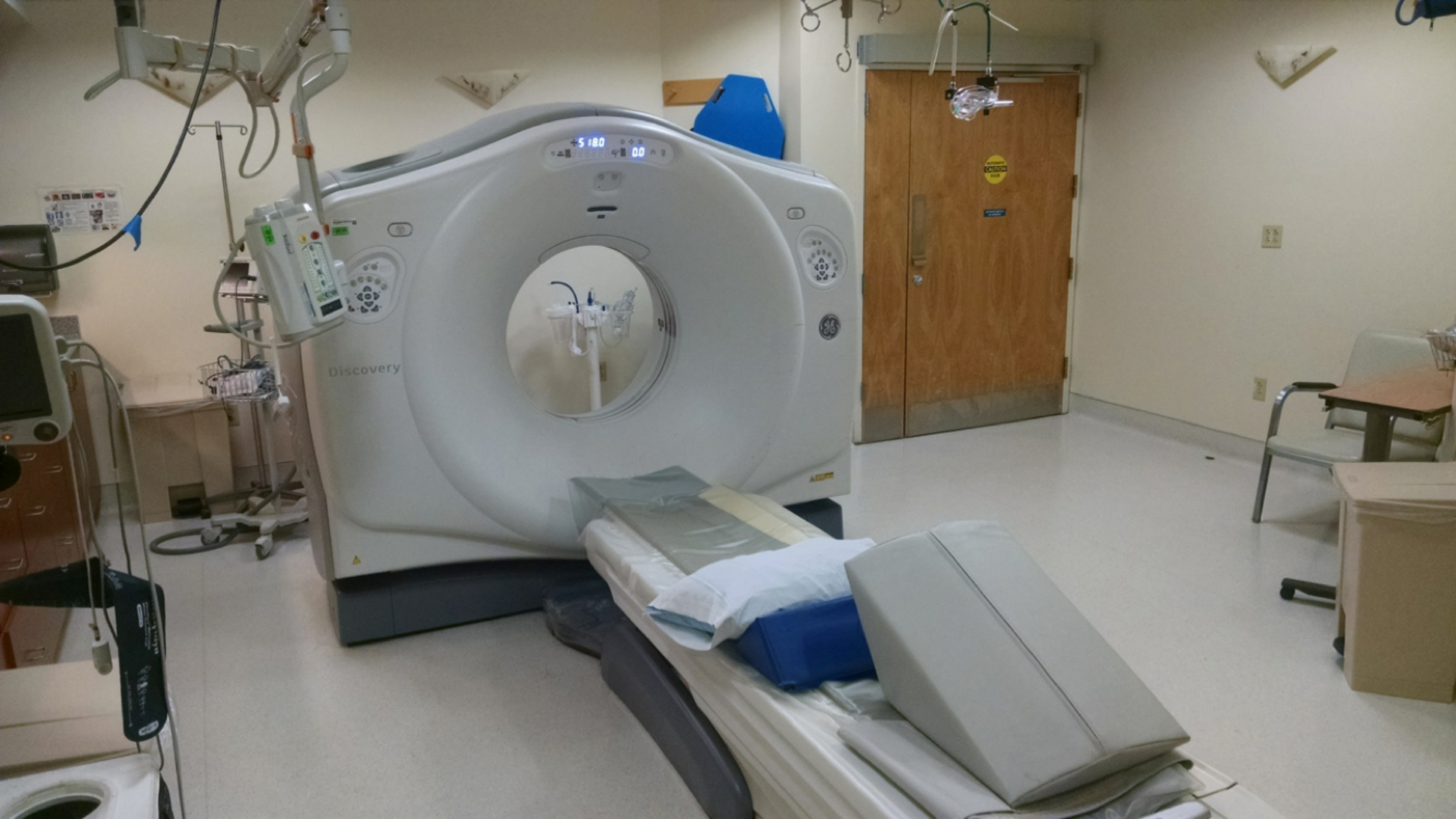
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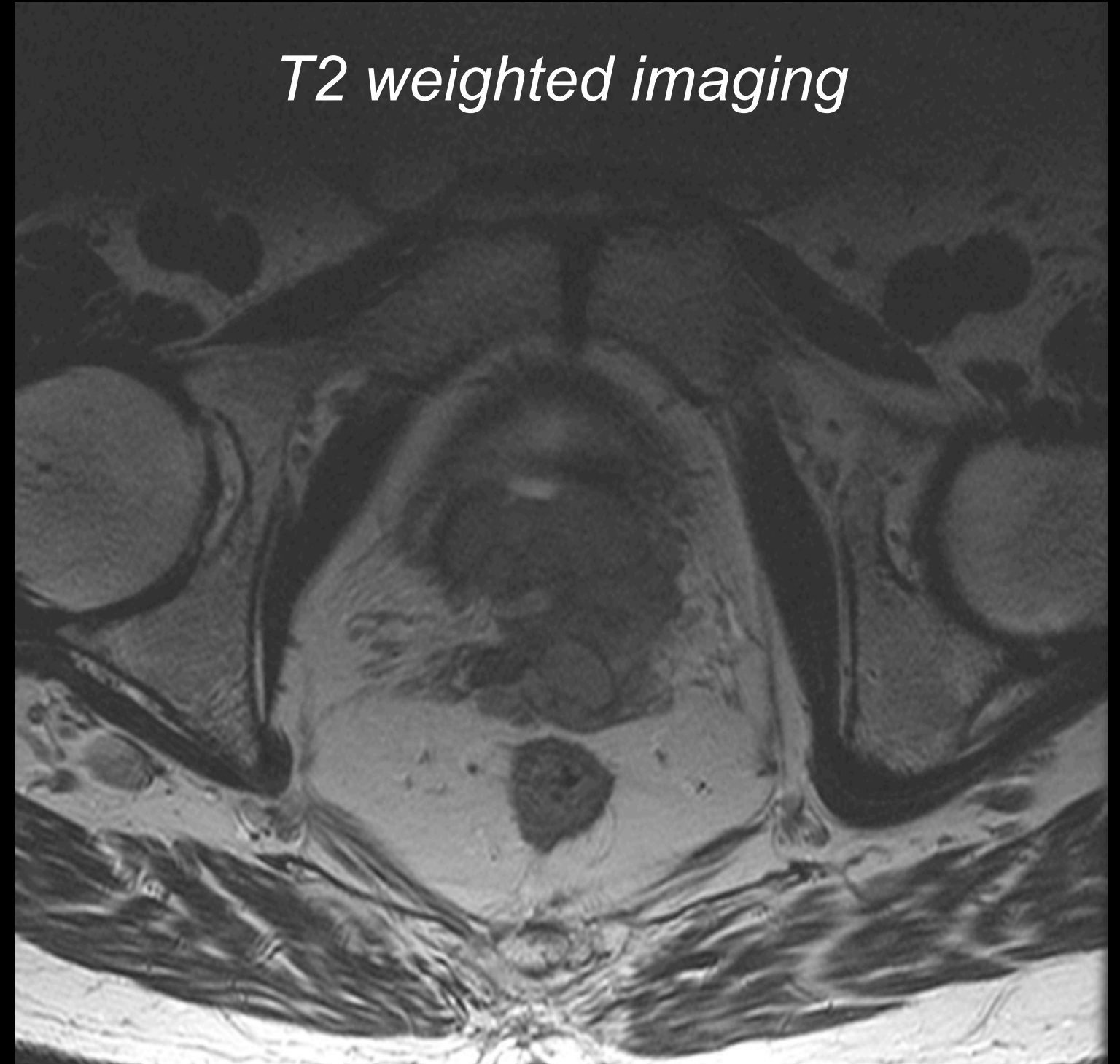


Lung windows



MRI: magnetic resonance imaging

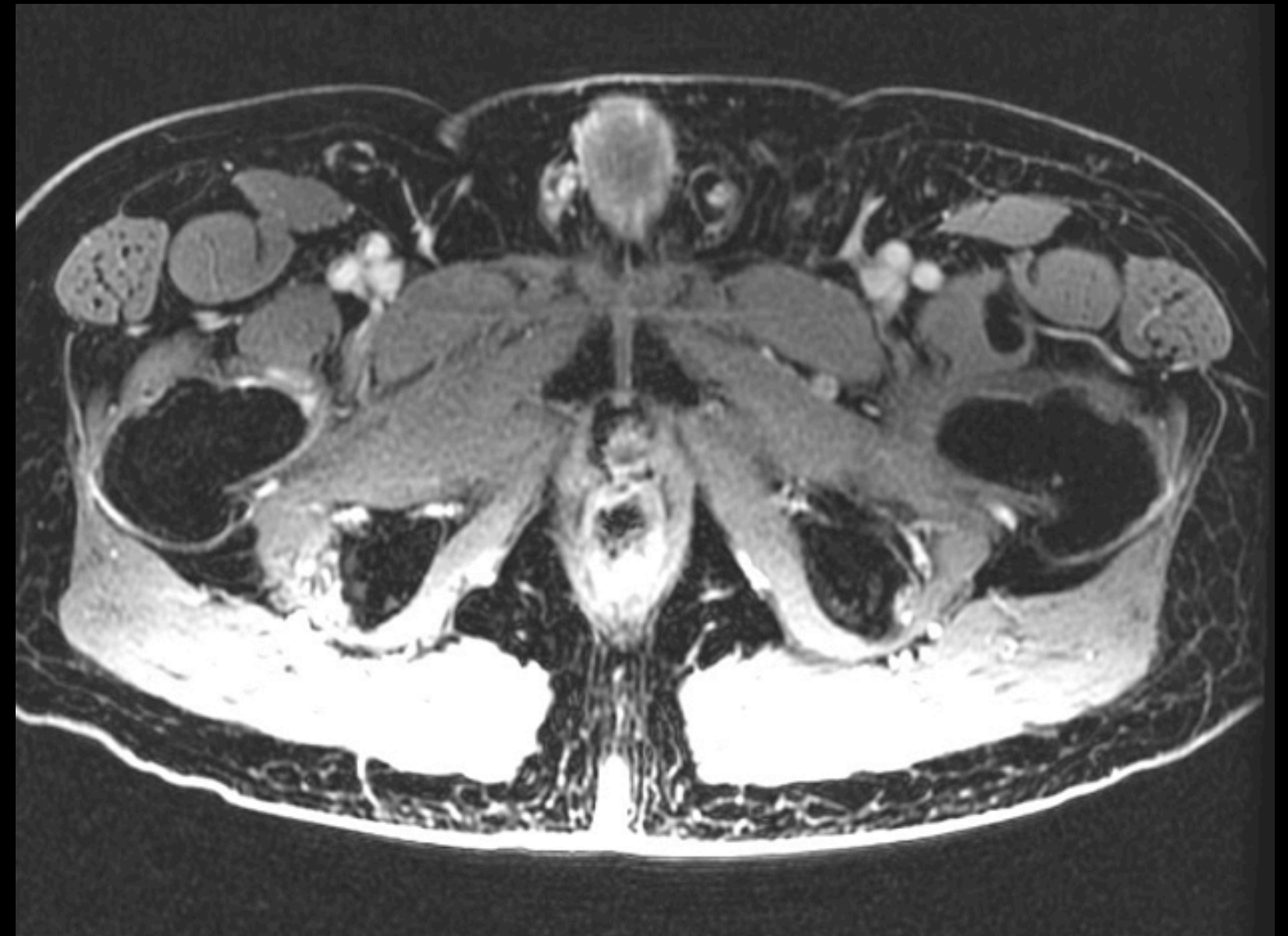
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T1 post-contrast imaging



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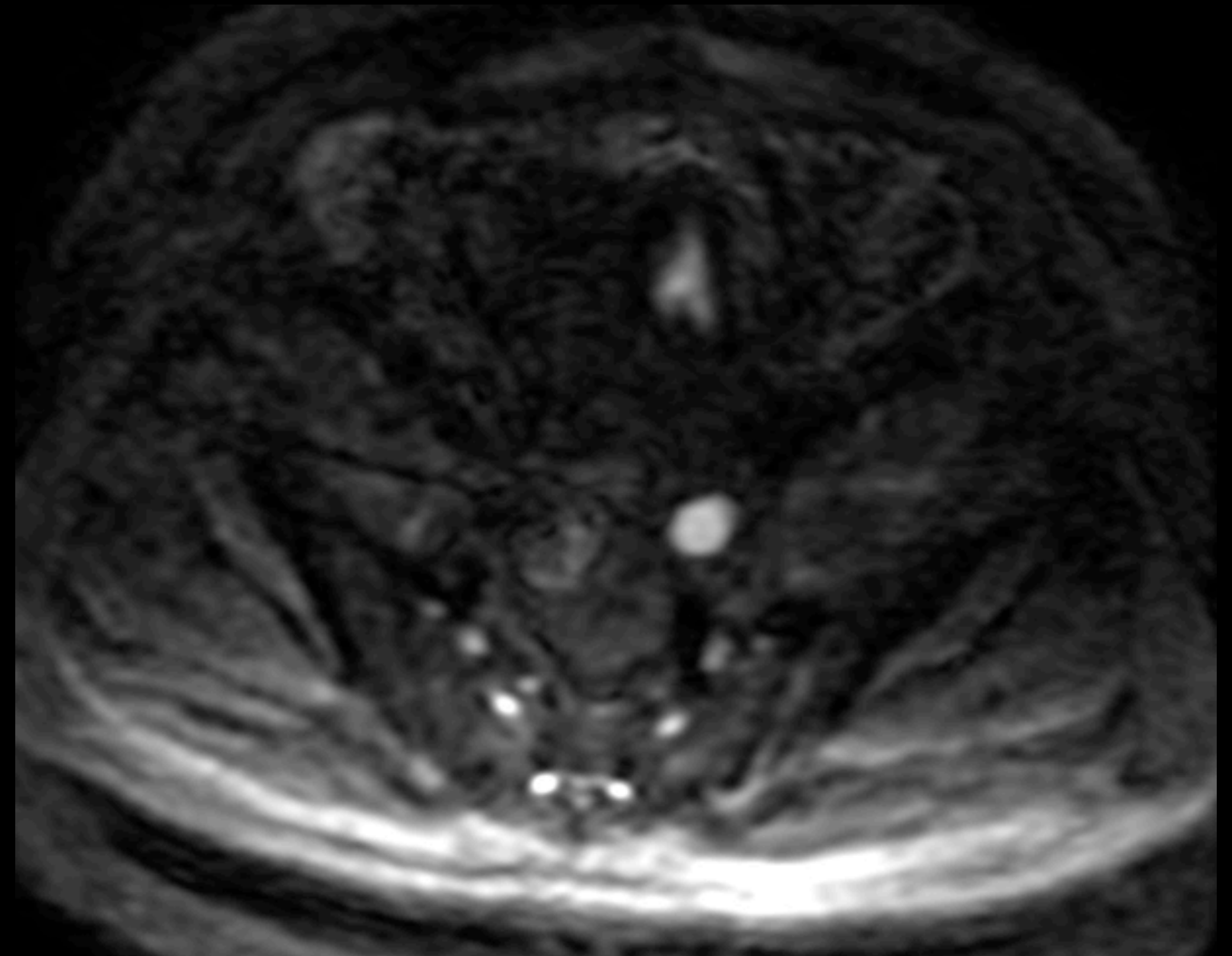
Dynamic contrast enhanced imaging



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Diffusion weighted imaging





Bone scintigraphy

- Study takes four hours
 - three hours of uptake after injection
- Can perform an associated SPECT/CT, but increases time and costs
- Limited by low sensitivity and specificity



“Conventional Imaging”

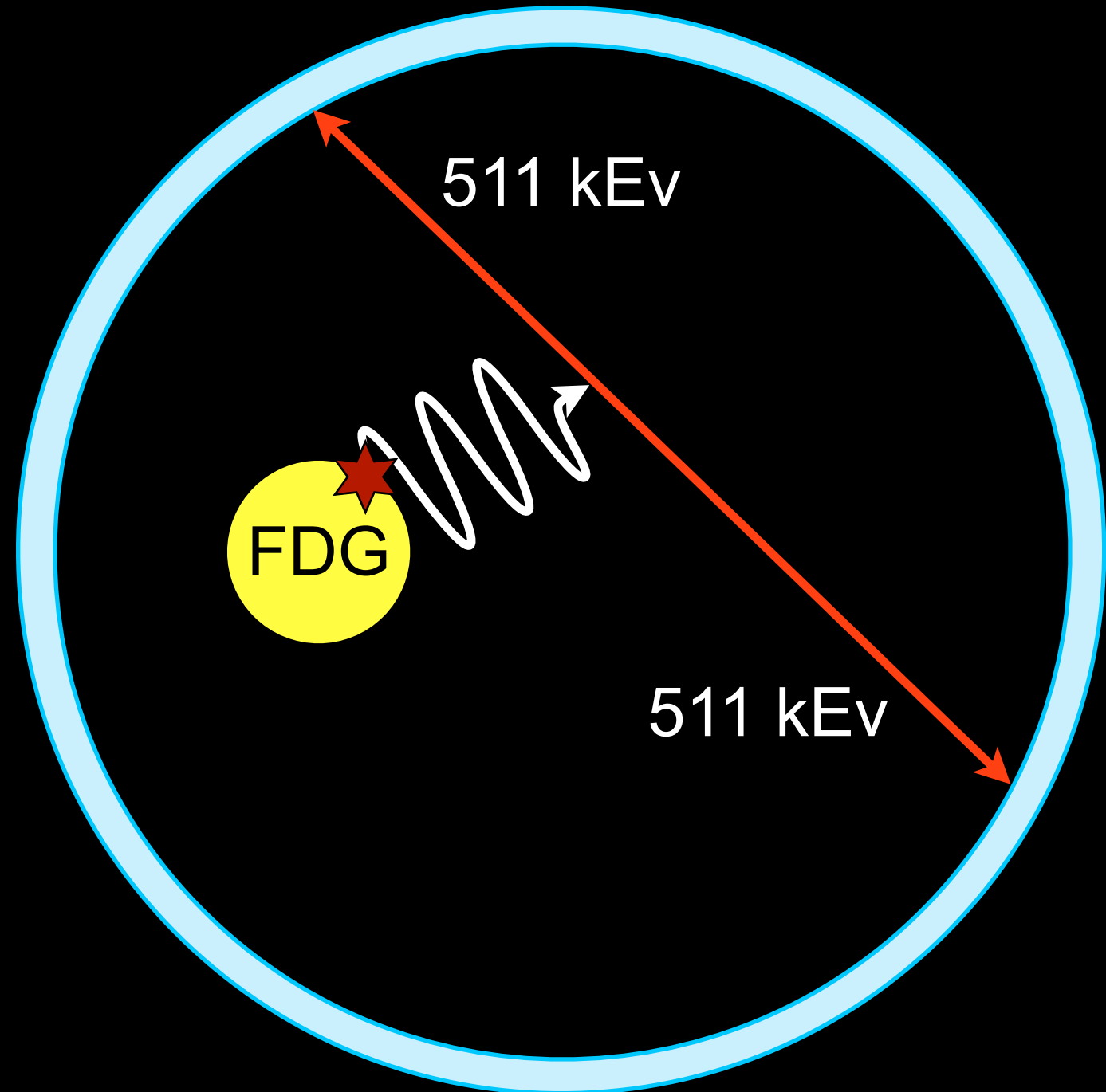
CT	MRI	Bone Scan
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Widely available• Fast, easy• Full coverage (chest/abdomen/pelvis)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Usually limited to imaging the pelvis• Uncomfortable (endorectal coil, long, loud, claustrophobic)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fast, easy• Cheap, no issues with reimbursement• In all existing guidelines and used in all trials

Overall, all have a low specificity



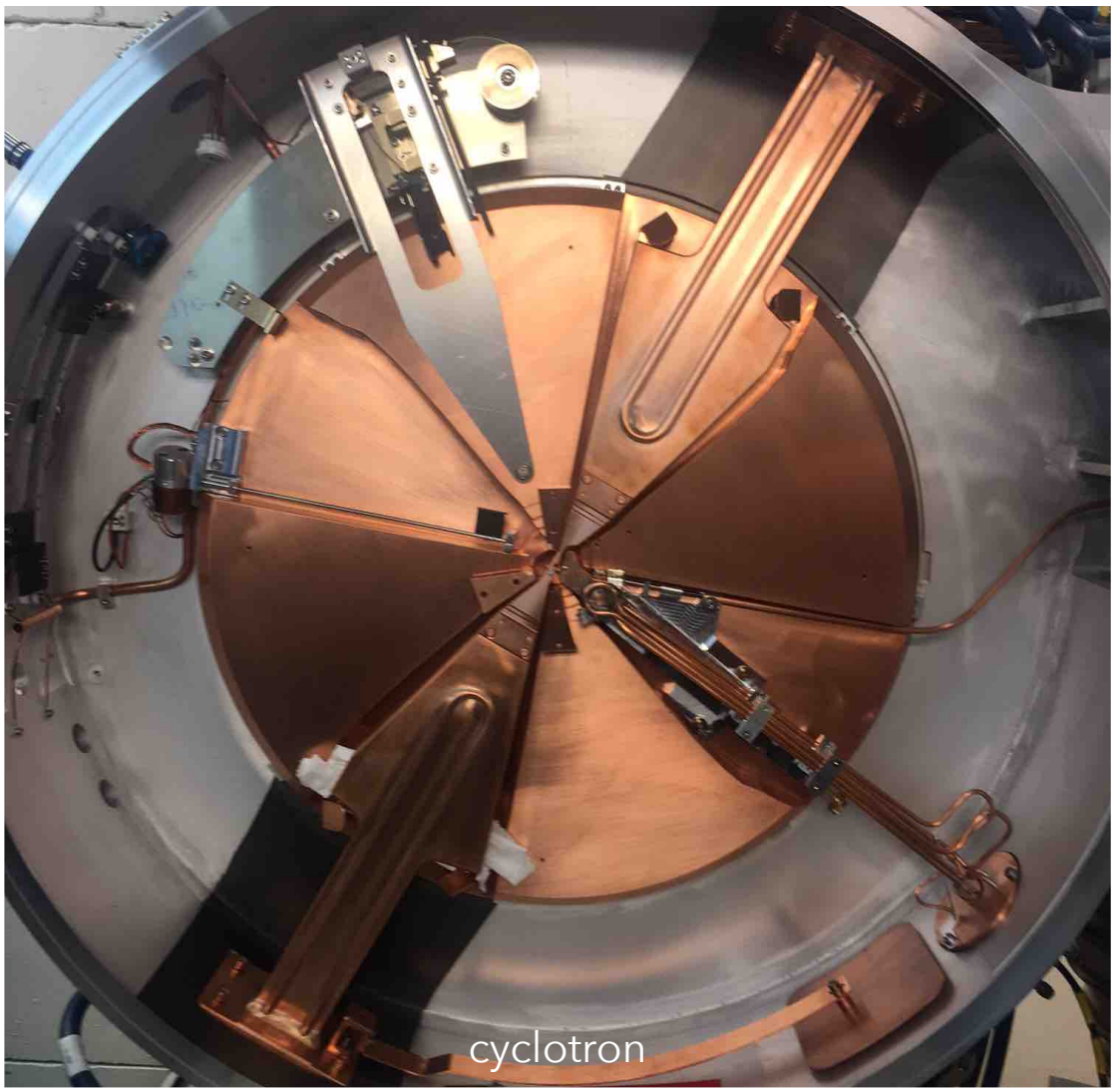
PET/CT

- Radiolabeled compound
 - typically ^{18}F -FDG
 - also Ga68, C11, Cu64...
- Decays by releasing a positron
- Positron then travels a finite distance and decays into two photons
 - positron range of F18 is roughly 2 mm



PET/CT: various radioisotopes

Isotope	E _{max}	R _{max}
Ga-68	1.9	8.2
O-15	1.7	7.3
N-13	1.2	5.1
C-11	0.97	4.1
F-18	0.64	2.4



FDG



NaF



DOTA-TOC



C11 choline



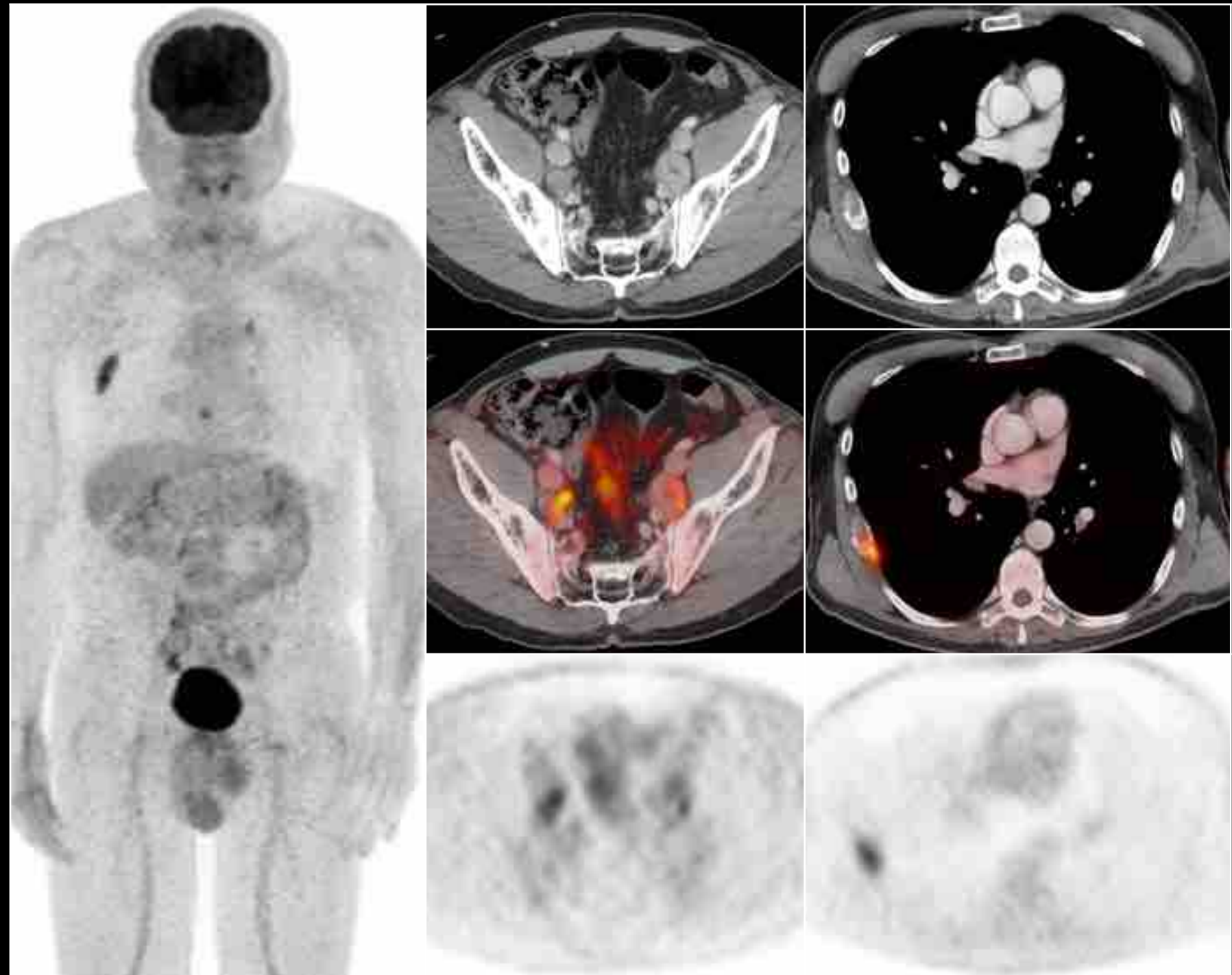
NaF PET/CT

- Better spatial resolution
- High signal to background
- CT available for correlation
- Shorter time from injection to imaging
 - imaging is done 60 minutes after injection compared to three hours with bone scans



FDG PET/CT

- No value in detection
- Uptake is correlated with aggressiveness
- Infrequently used, and role is mainly in castrate resistant patients

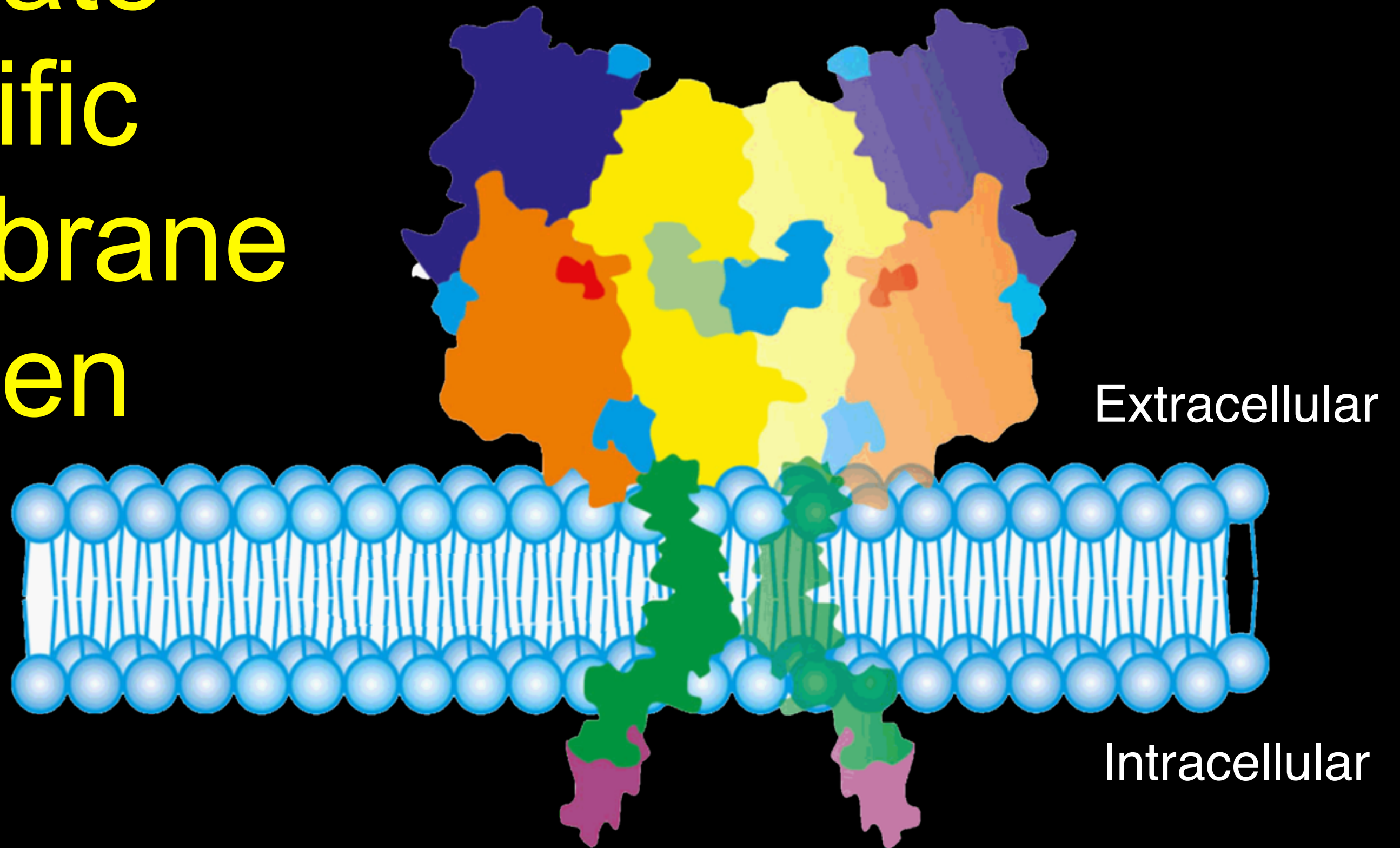


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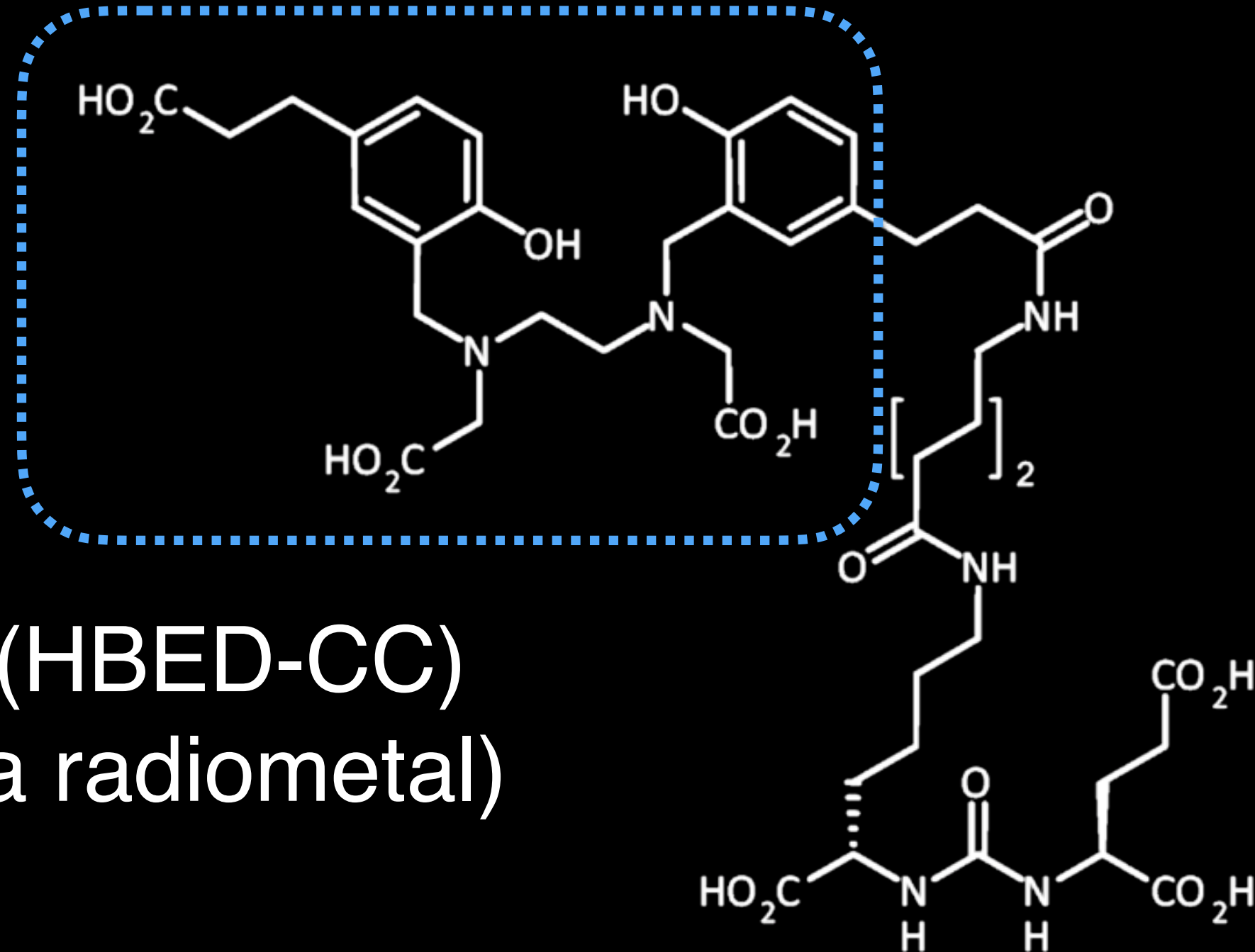
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Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen

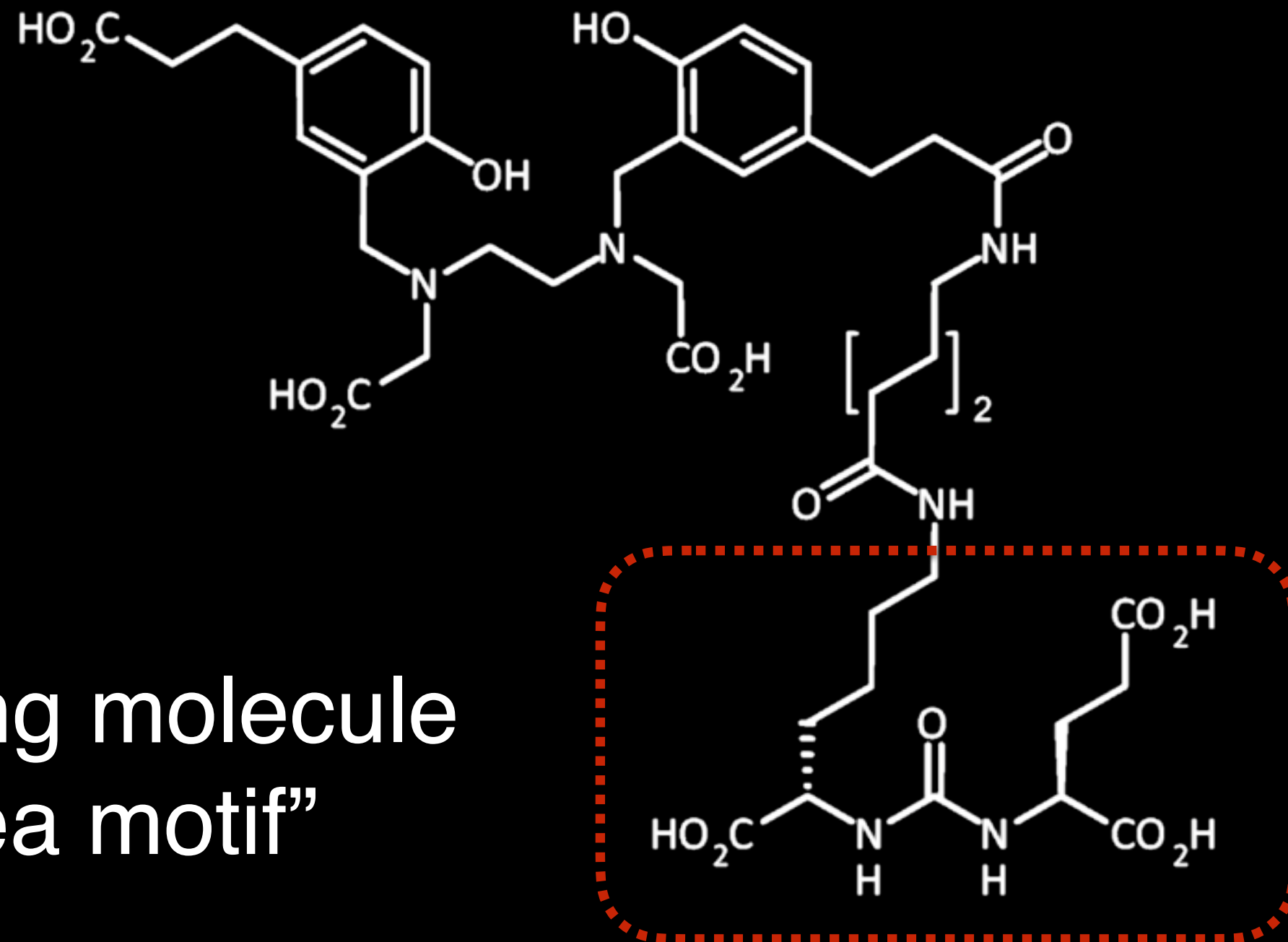


^{68}Ga -PSMA-11



chelator (HBED-CC)
(binds to a radiometal)

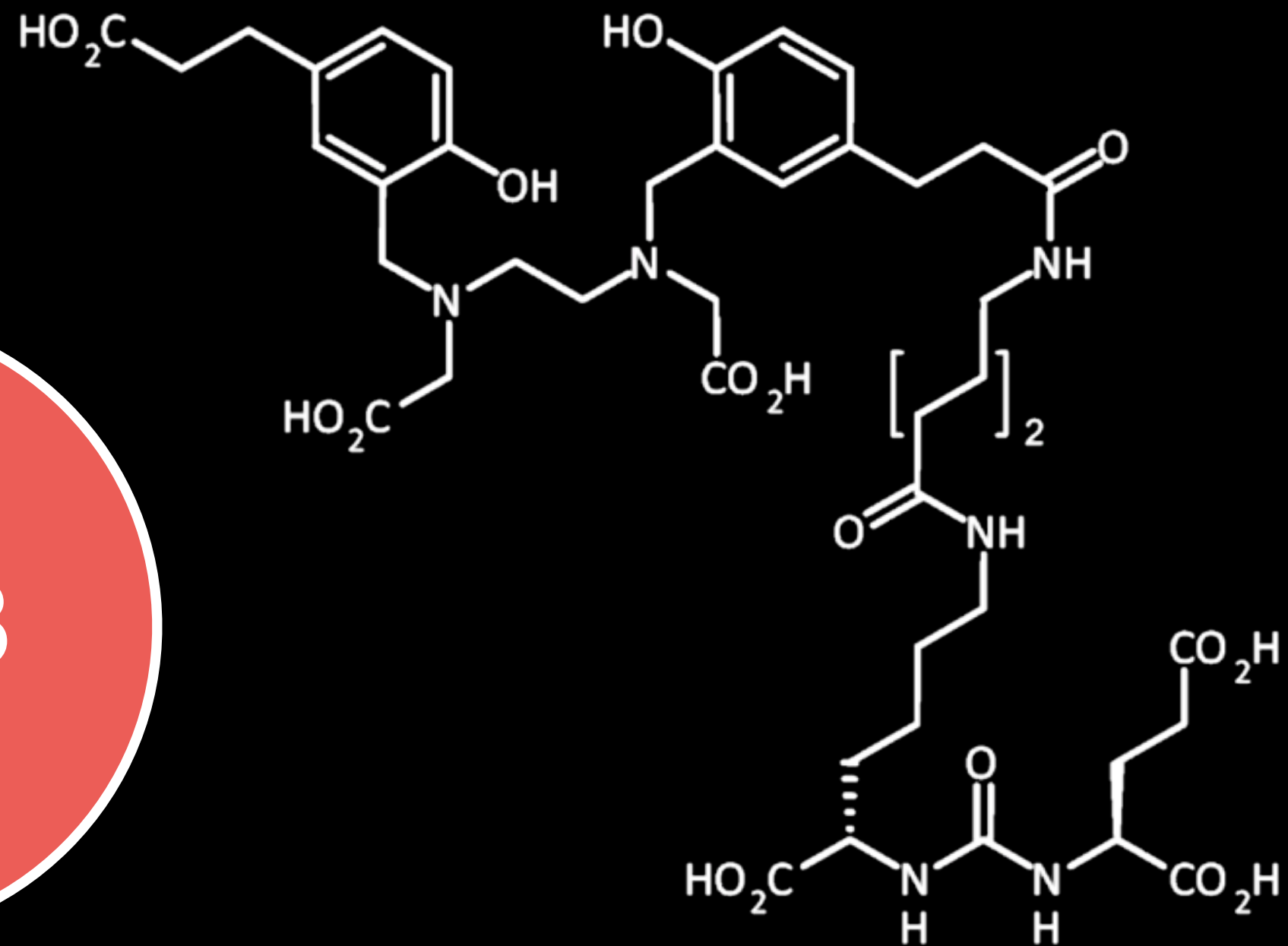
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targeting molecule
“urea motif”

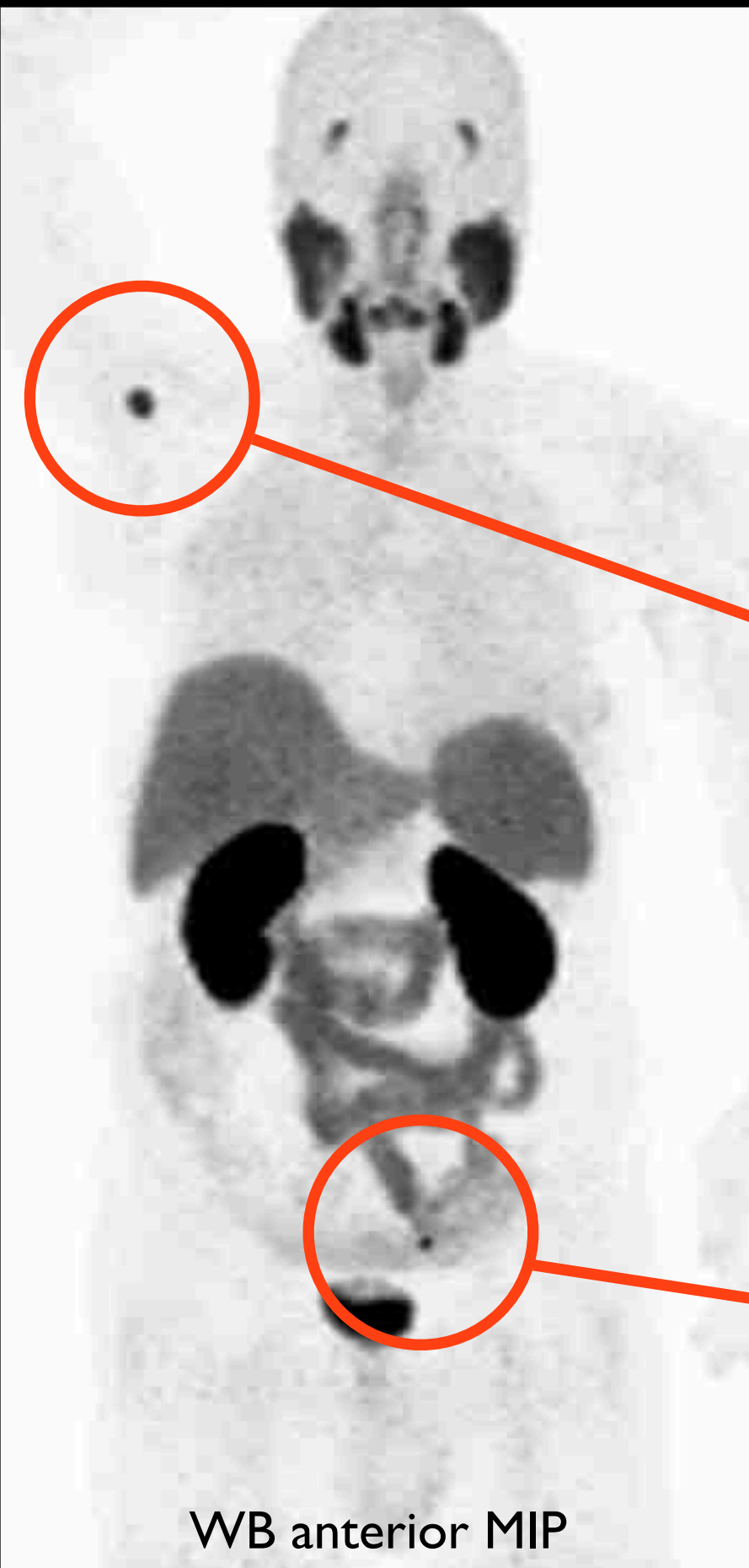
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Ga-68

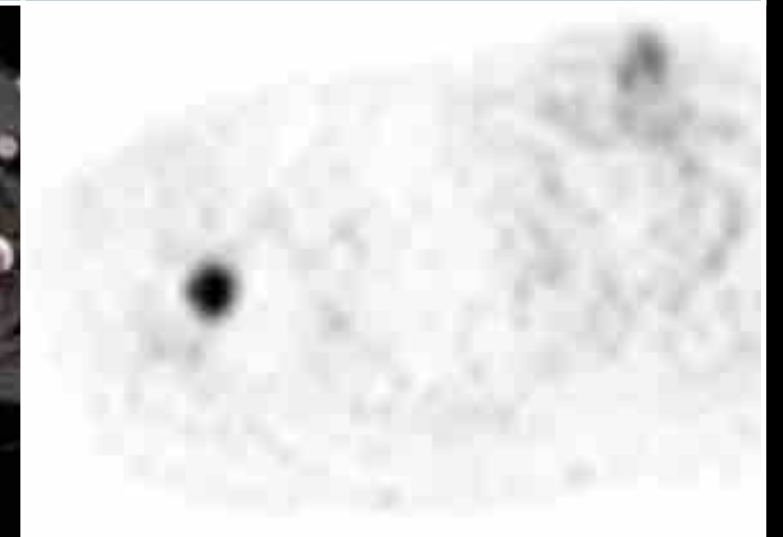
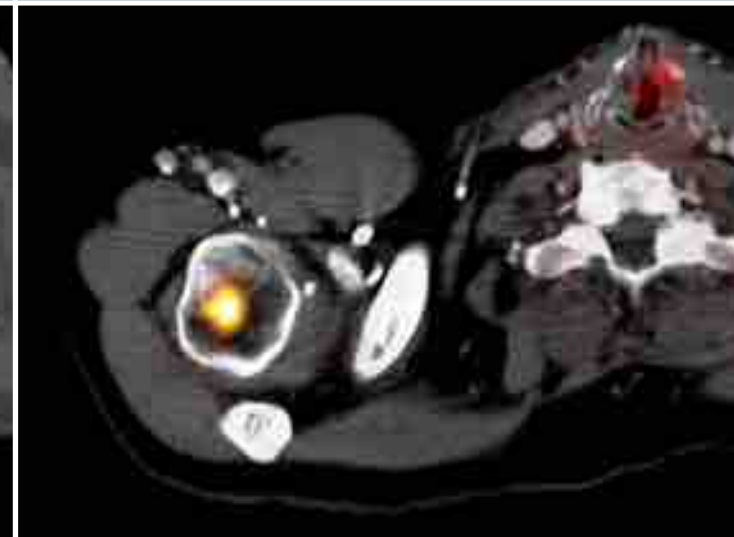
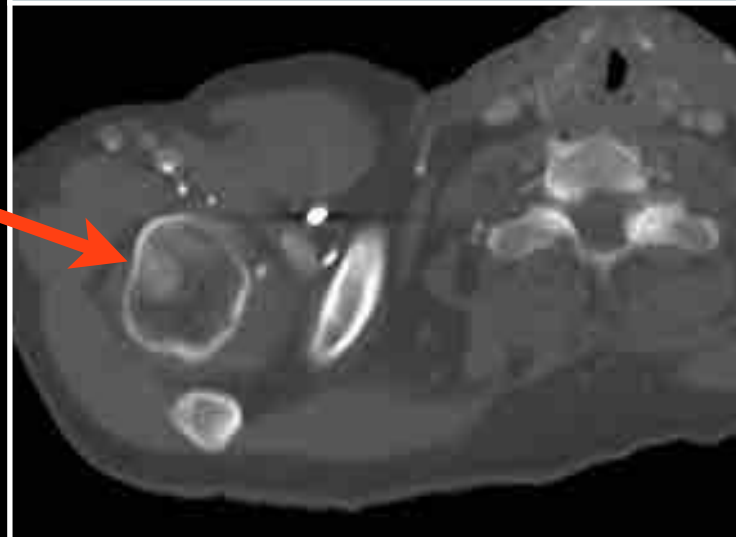


69 year old man status post RP

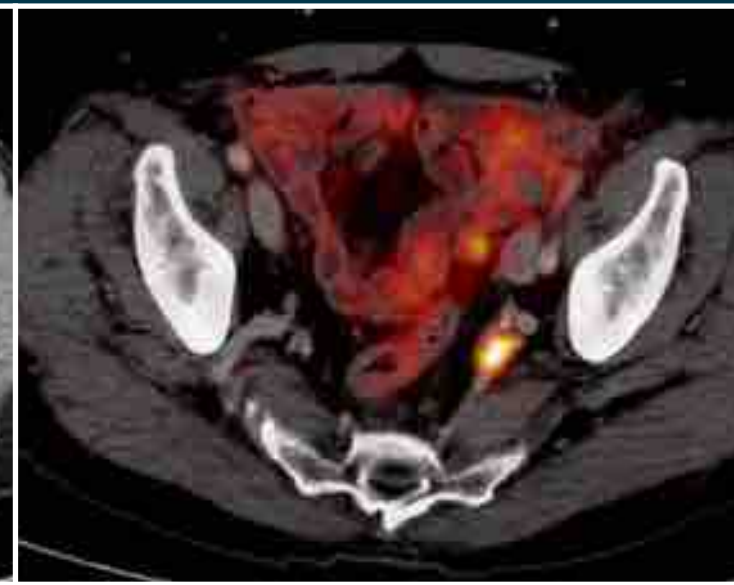
PSA = 0.67



Disease site 1: right humerus



Disease site 2: left internal iliac node



UCSF/UCLA BCR clinical data

- 635 patients in total, split between UCSF and UCLA

- Median PSA of 9.4

- Three blind
–Actually 9

- Composite
–223 patient
validation
–93 with his

- PPV:

- Composite endpoint: 0.92
- Histopathology: 0.84

Inter-reader variability

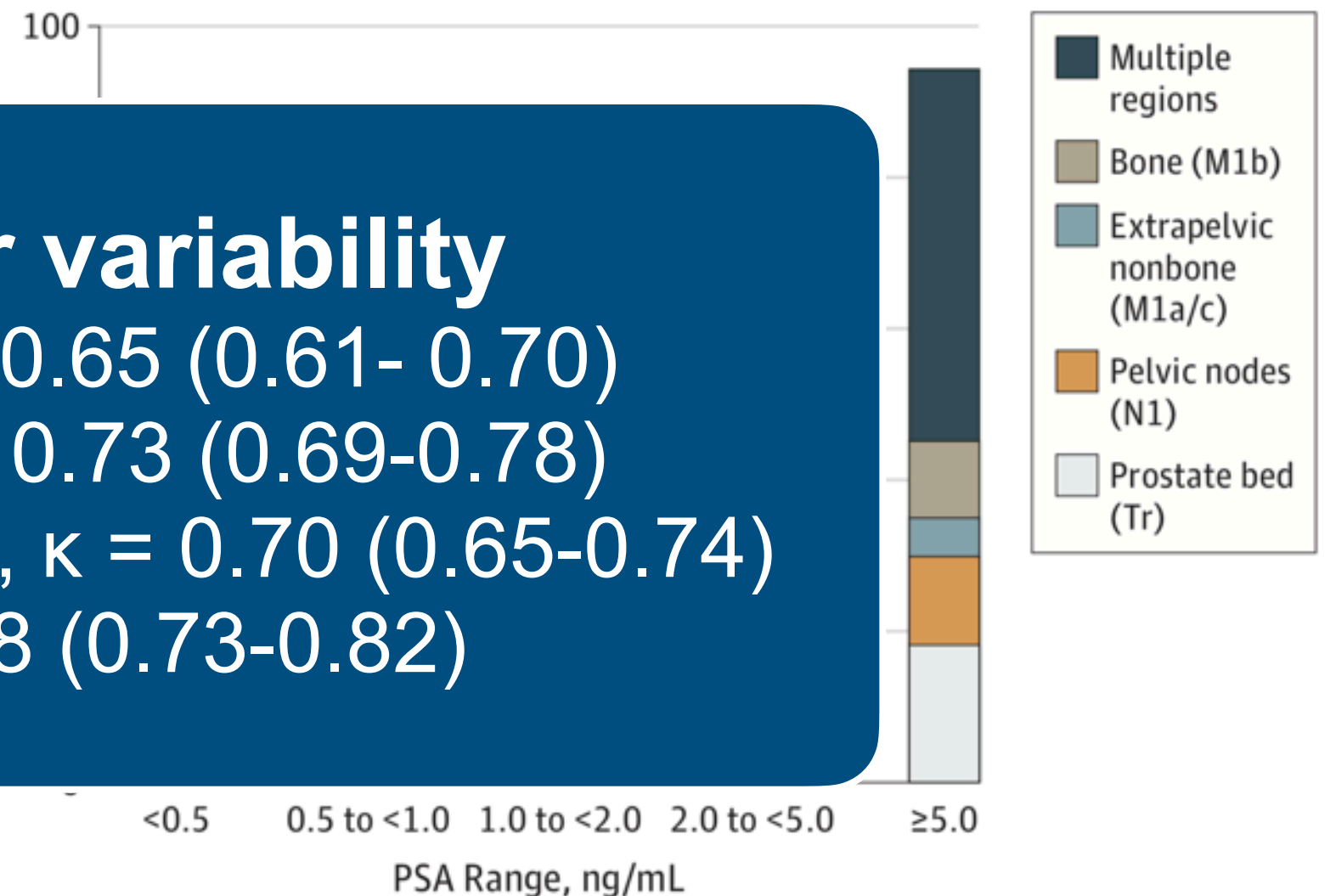
prostate bed, $\kappa = 0.65$ (0.61- 0.70)

pelvic nodes, $\kappa = 0.73$ (0.69-0.78)

extrapelvic soft tissue, $\kappa = 0.70$ (0.65-0.74)

bone, $\kappa = 0.78$ (0.73-0.82)

Figure 2. Detection Rate on a Patient Basis Stratified by PSA and Region



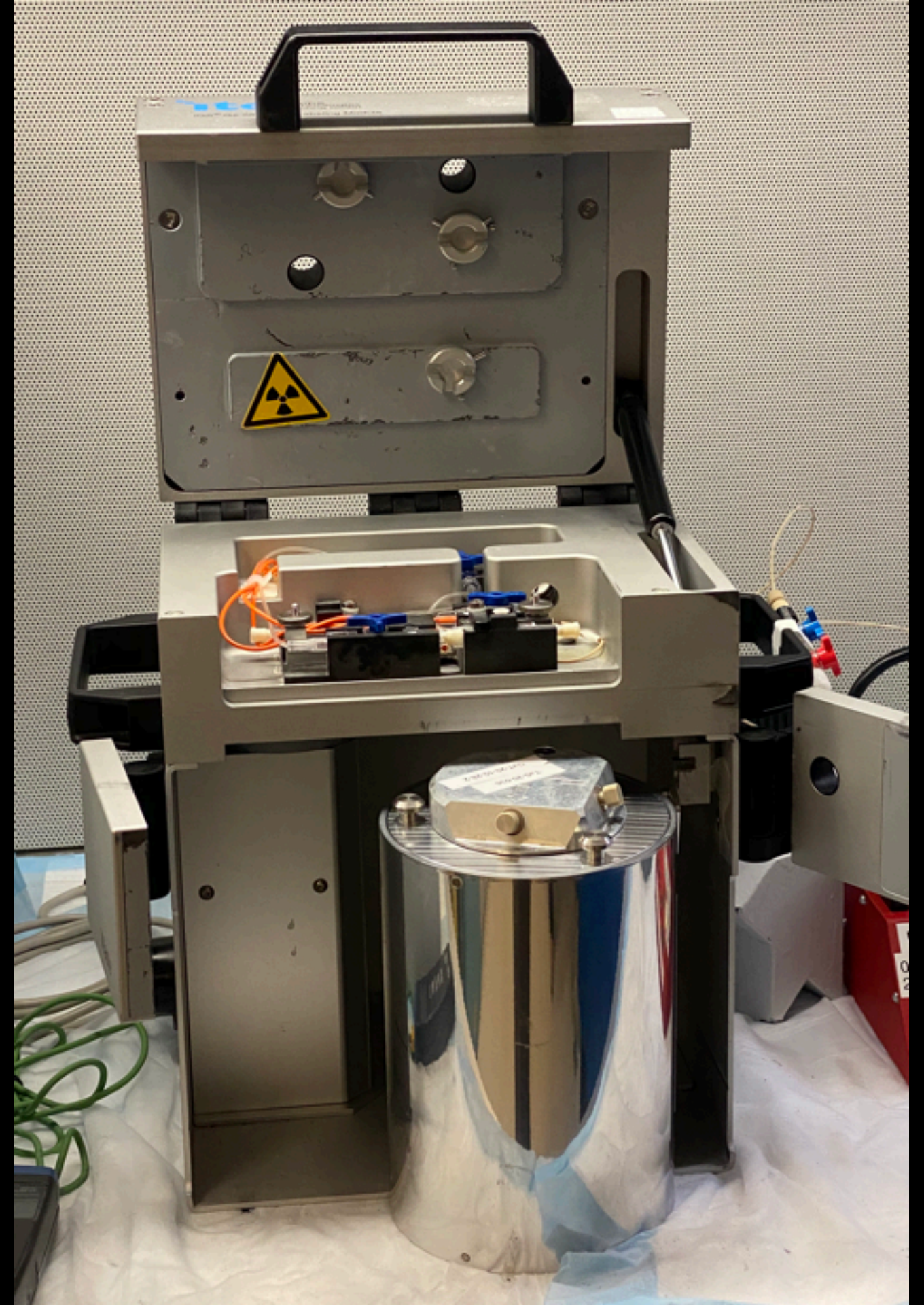
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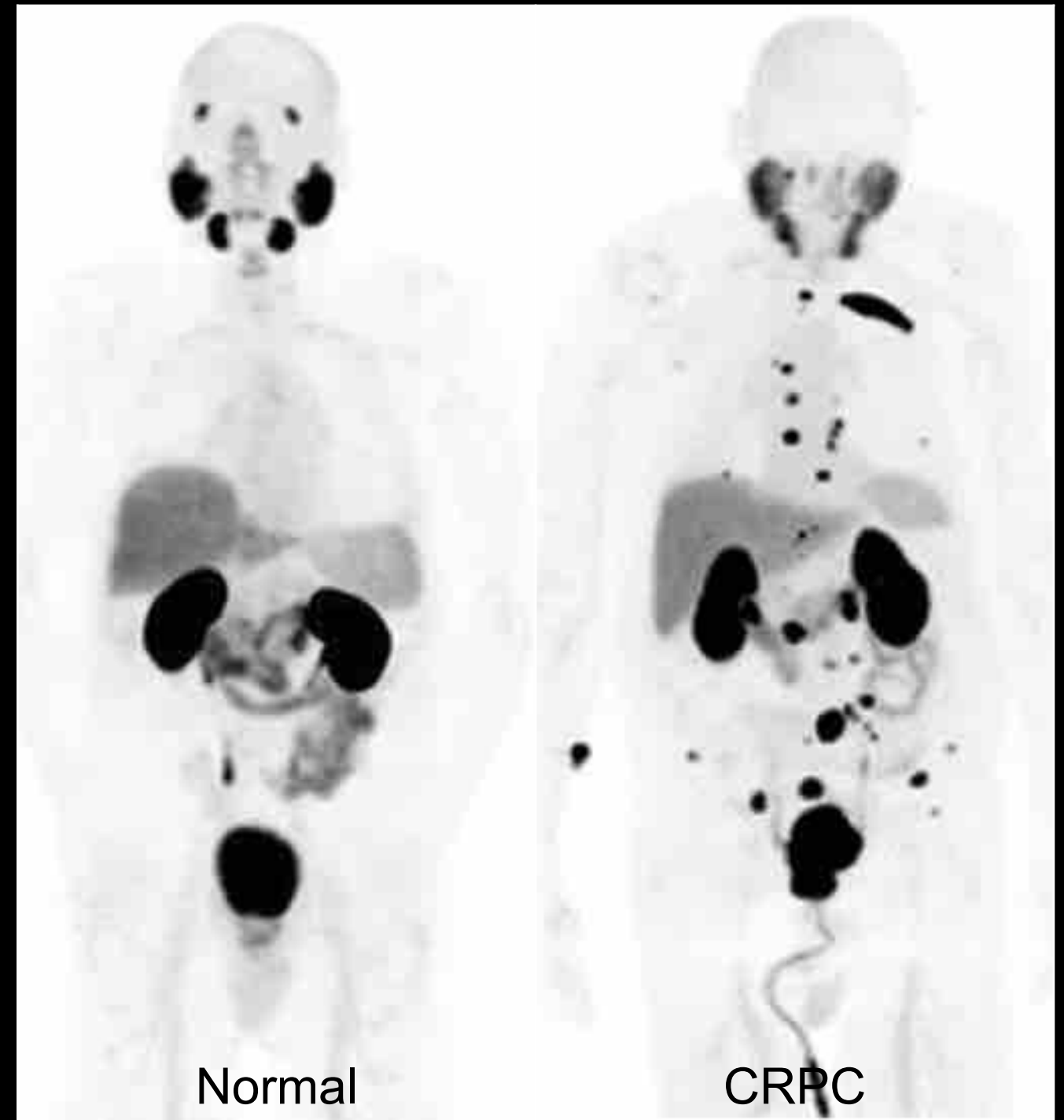
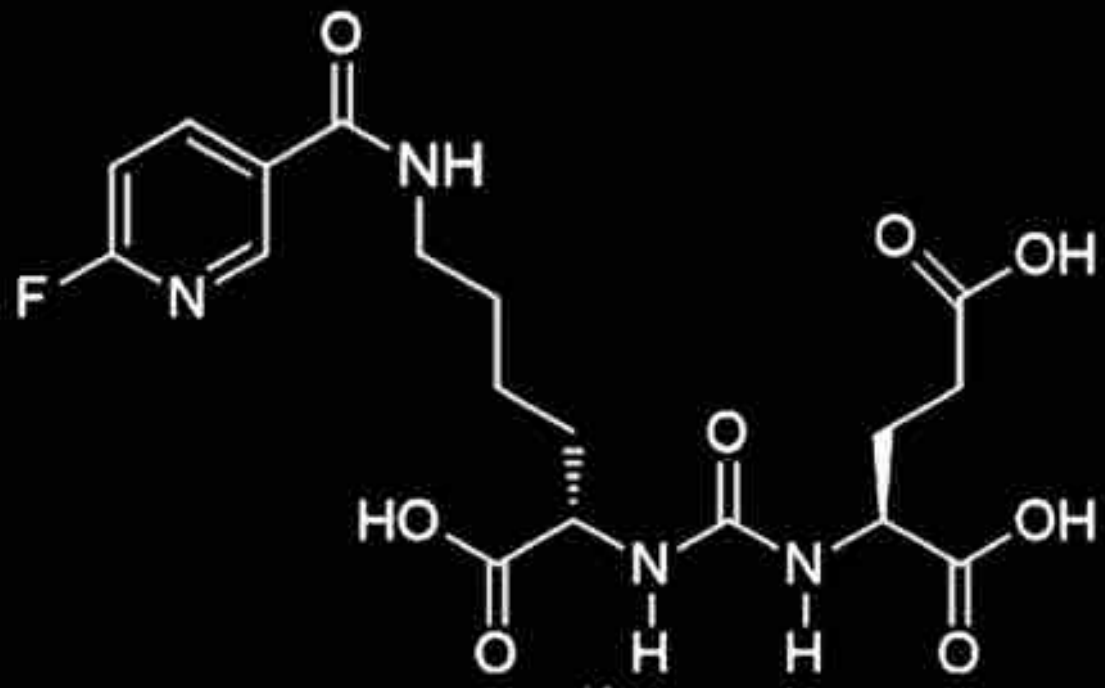
Gallium-68

- 68 minute half-life
- Generator produced
 - Usually can only make 2-3 doses per synthesis
- PET emitter (91%)
 - 8 mm positron range
- Metal chemistry
 - simple synthesis using modules



¹⁸F-DCFPyL

- Termed the “PyL” compound
- Much lower blood pool activity
- Completed Phase III trials awaiting NDA approval!



Rowe JNM (2015)

DCFPyL: OSPREY and CONDOR trials

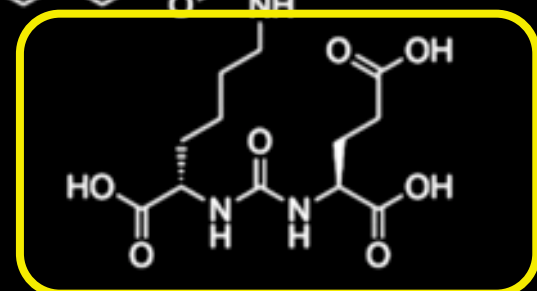
OSPREY	CONDOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cohort A: initial staging (n=252)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specificity 98%, sensitivity 40%• Cohort B: biochemical recurrence (n=93)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inclusion criteria required disease on conventional imaging• Sensitivity 96% and PPV 82%• Median PSA of 11.3 <p>Pienta J Urol 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biochemical recurrence only• n=208• Did not require biopsiable lesions• Baseline PSA of 0.8• Correct localization rate: 85-87%<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CLR: % of patients with a one-to-one correspondence between 18F-DCFPyL by the cethe composite SO• Detection rate 59-6 <p>Morris Clin Cancer Res 2021</p>

PYLARIFY or
piflufolostat

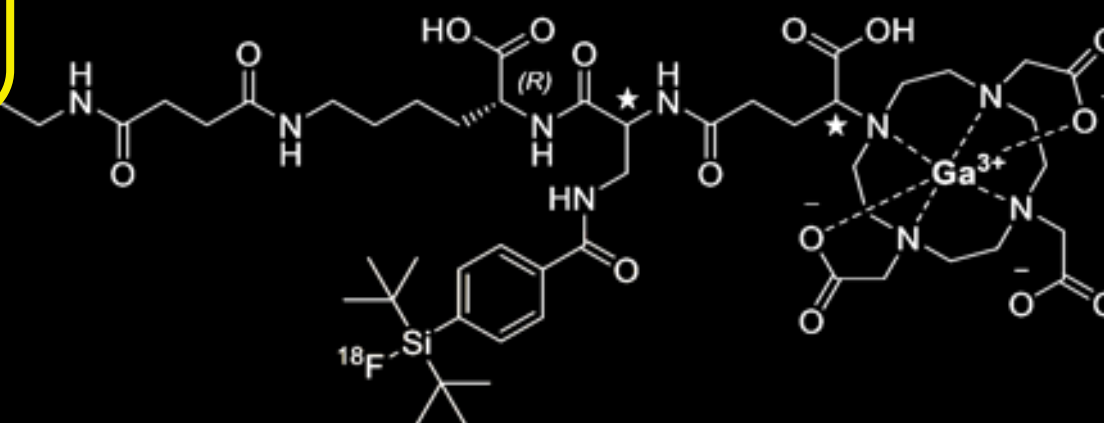
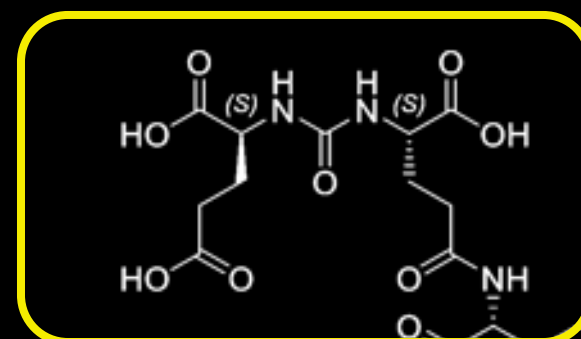
Piflufolastat F 18 PET FDA Approval

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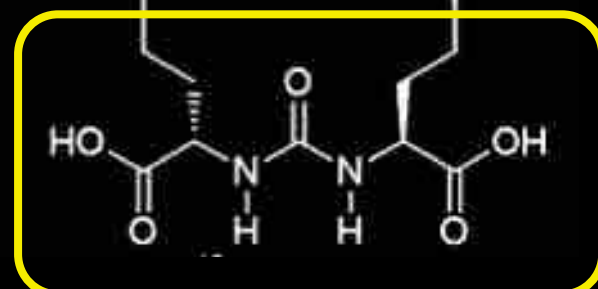
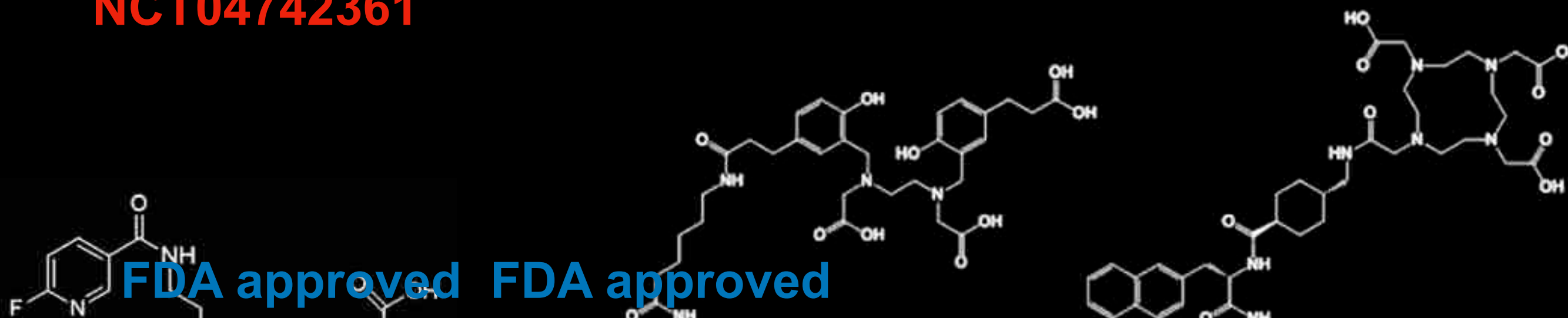
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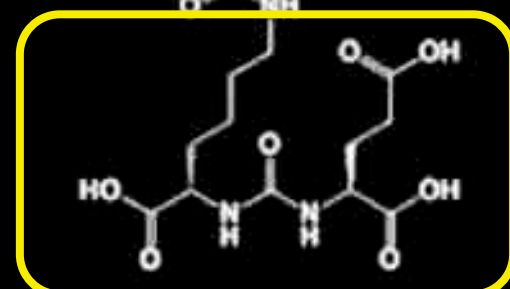
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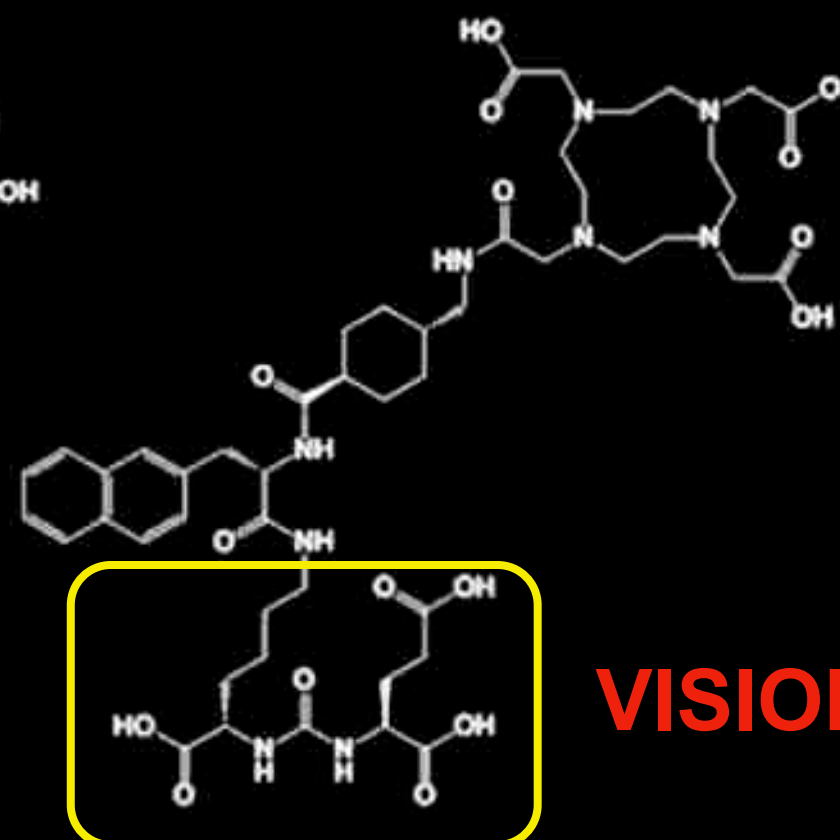
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DCFPyL



PSMA-11



PSMA-617

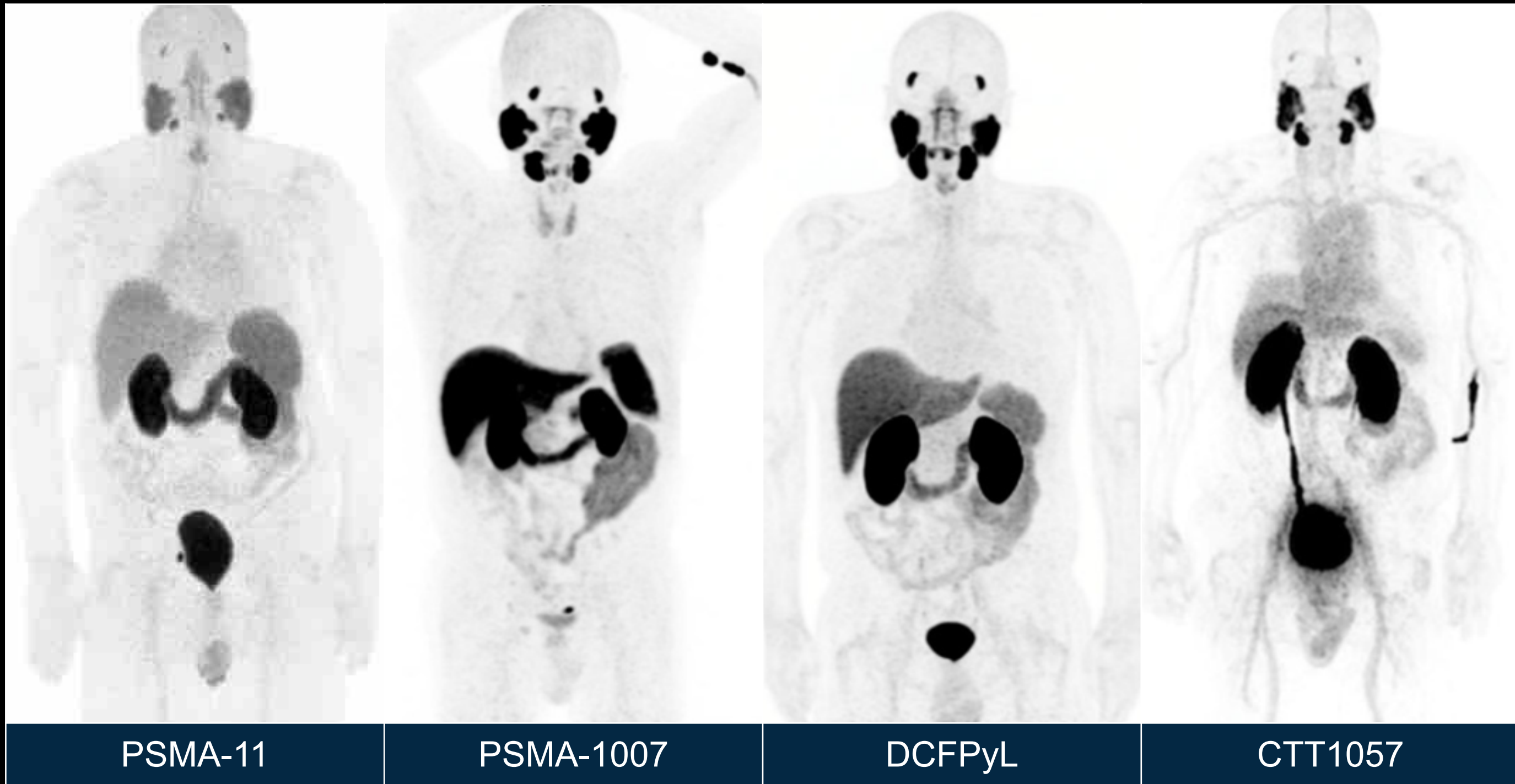
VISION trial

Ga 68 gozetotide PET FDA Approval

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Variations in biodistribution...



NCCN guidelines: *updated 9/10/2021*

- Initial staging (PROS-2)
 - Indicated in unfavorable intermediate, high and very high risk patients
- Biochemical recurrence (PROS-9, PROS-10 and PROS-11)
 - No PSA cutoff provided
- Progression for CSPC systemic therapy (PROS-12)
 - Includes patients with castration resistant disease
- Progression with M0CRPC (PROS-13)

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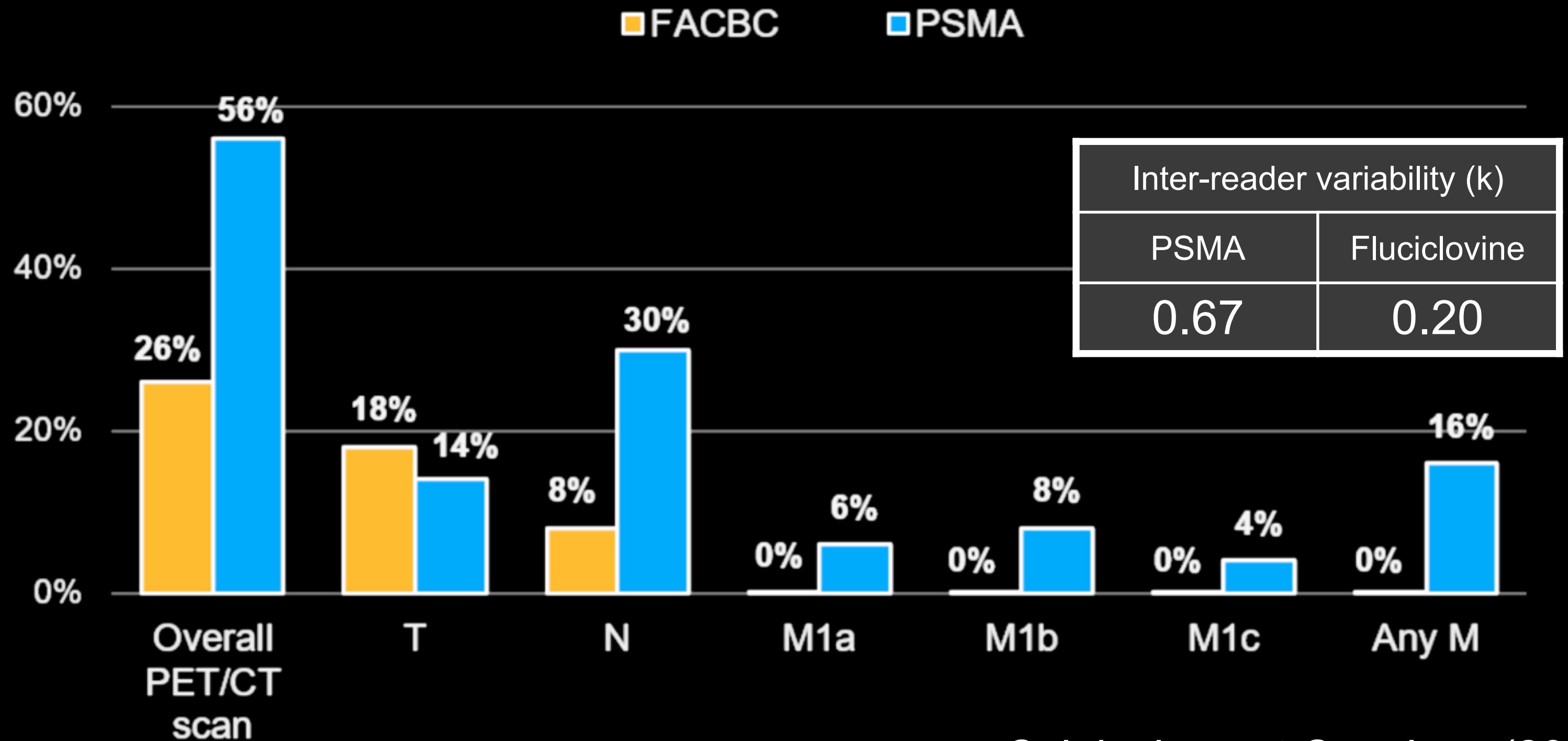
- Ga-68 PSMA-11, or F-18 piflufolastat PSMA can be considered for equivocal results on initial bone imaging.
- Ga-68 PSMA-11 or F-18 piflufolastat PSMA PET/CT or PET/MRI can be considered for bone and soft tissue (full body) imaging.
- Studies suggest that F-18 piflufolastat PSMA or Ga-68 PSMA-11 PET imaging have a higher sensitivity than C-11 choline or F-18 fluciclovine PET imaging, especially at very low PSA levels.
- Because of the increased sensitivity and specificity of PSMA-PET tracers for detecting micrometastatic disease compared to conventional imaging (CT, MRI) at both initial staging and biochemical recurrence, the Panel does not feel that conventional imaging is a necessary prerequisite to PSMA-PET and that PSMA-PET/CT or PSMA-PET/MRI can serve as an equally effective, if not more effective front-line imaging tool for these patients.

CMS coverage

- The following diagnoses are applicable to piflufolastat F 18 (PYLARIFY®) injections when billed with 78811, 78812, 78813, 78814, 78815 or 78816. Use A9597 to bill for this service effective 5/26/2021. Use the PS modifier.
 - NOTE: Whenever a personal history diagnosis code (Z85.XXX) is on a claim, the claim must also contain a diagnosis code from the list of covered C, D, or R diagnosis codes.
- Effective 09/10/2021, the NCCN Guidelines have been updated to allow PMSA-PET/CT or PMSA-PET/MRI with F 18 piflufolastat PSMA to be considered effective for initial bone imaging with the use of the 'PI' modifier.

Code	Description
C61	Malignant neoplasm of prostate
R97.21	Rising PSA following treatment for malignant neoplasm of prostate
Z85.46	Personal history of malignant neoplasm of prostate

PSMA vs Fluciclovine



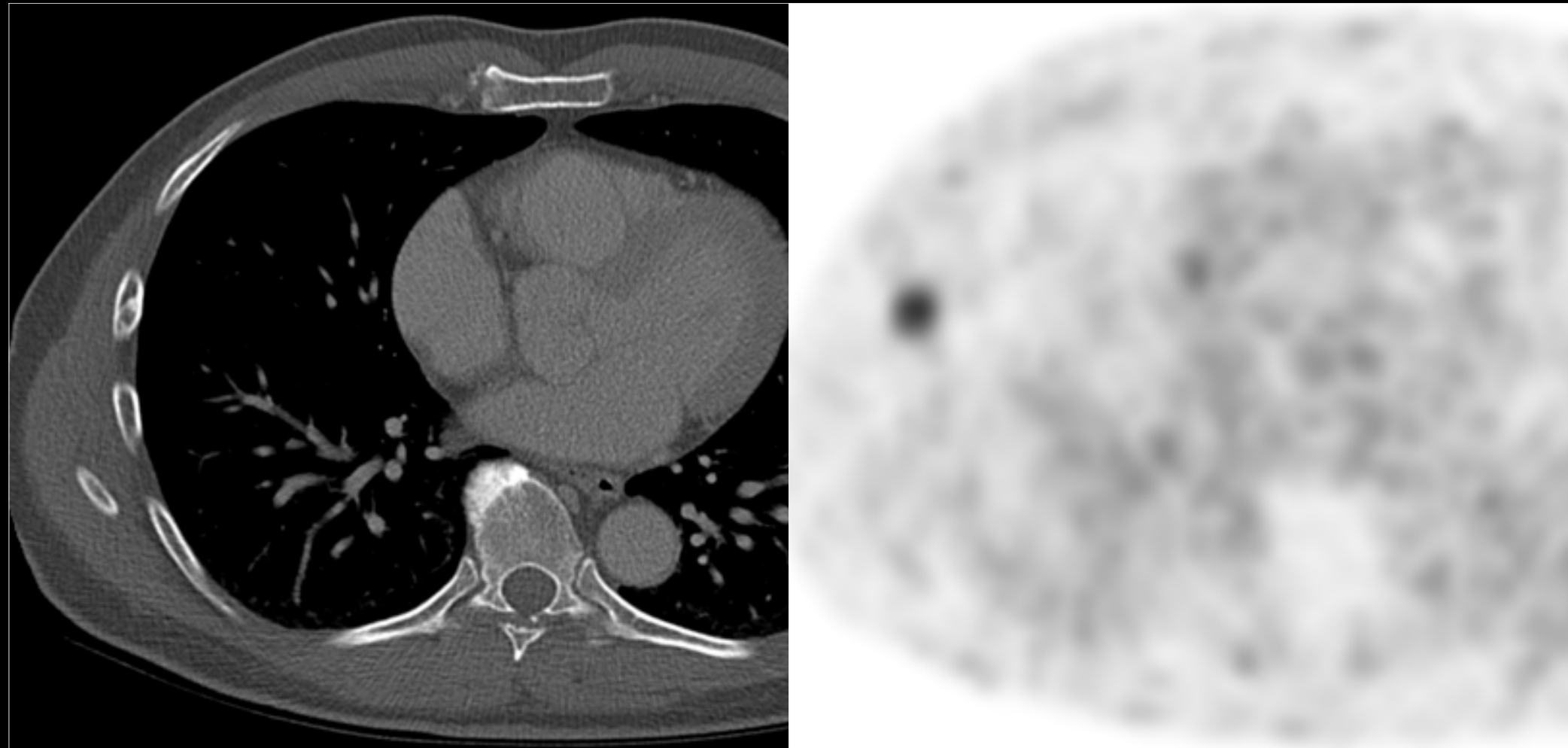
Calais, Lancet Oncology (2019)

False positive interpretations

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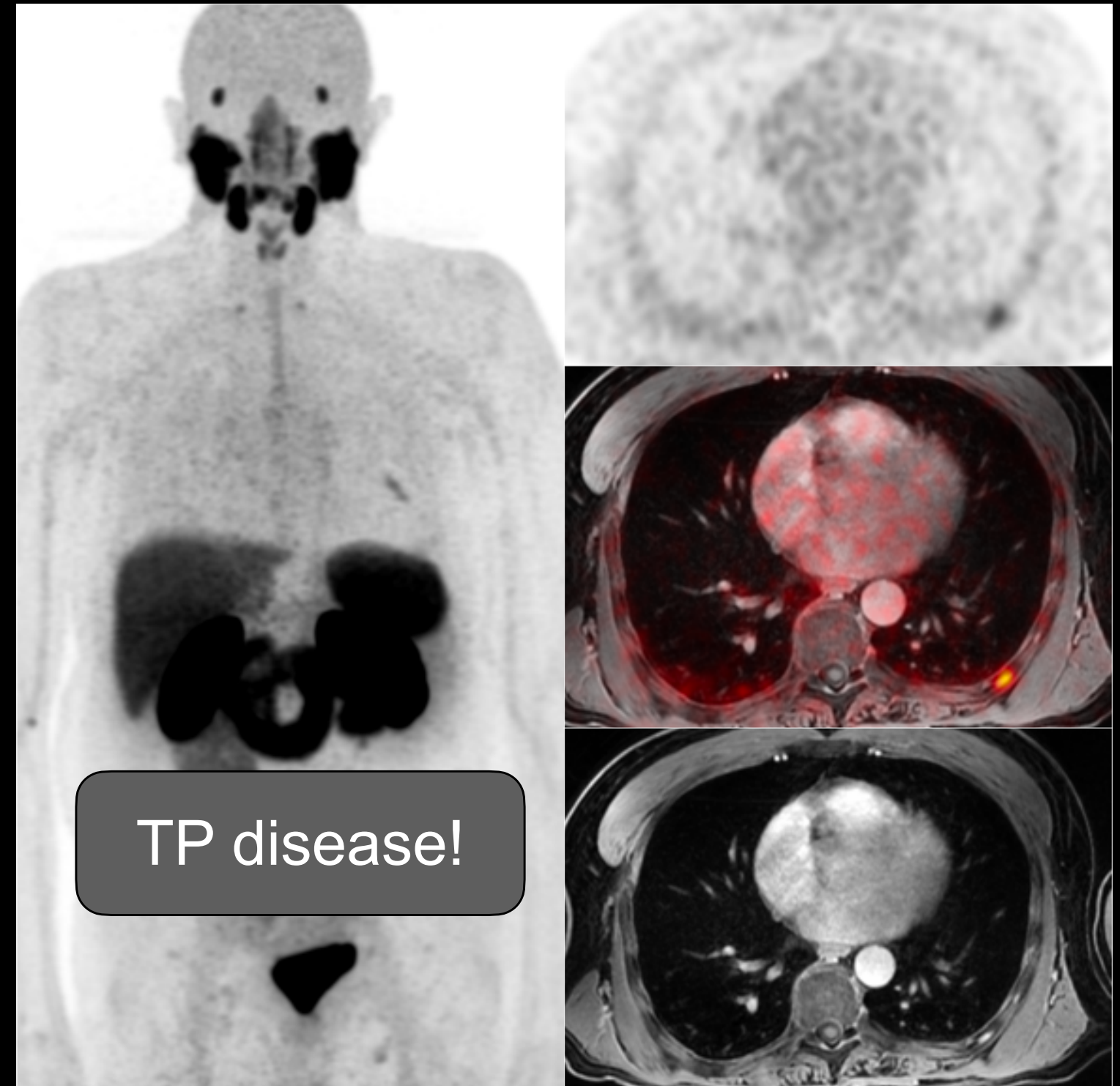
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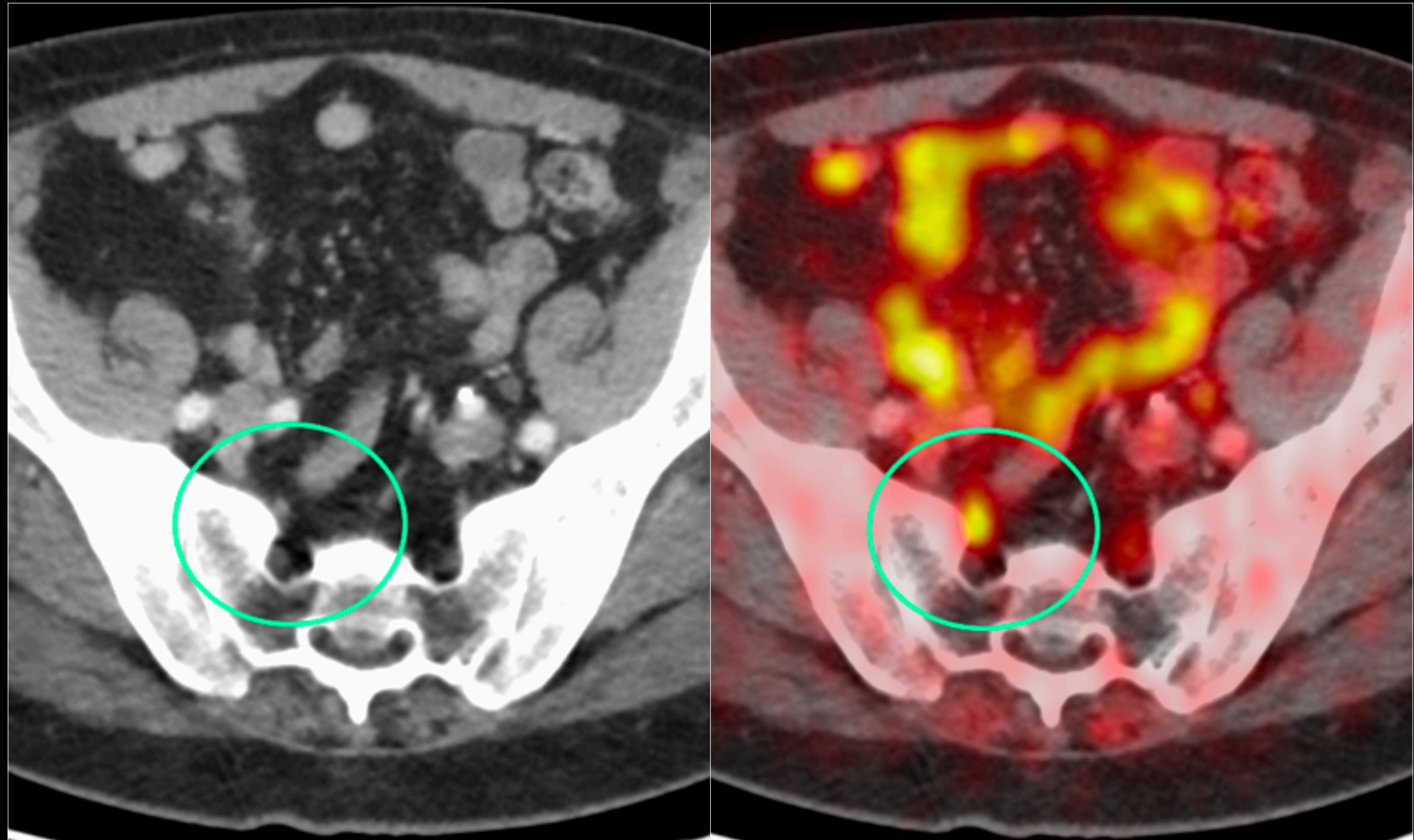
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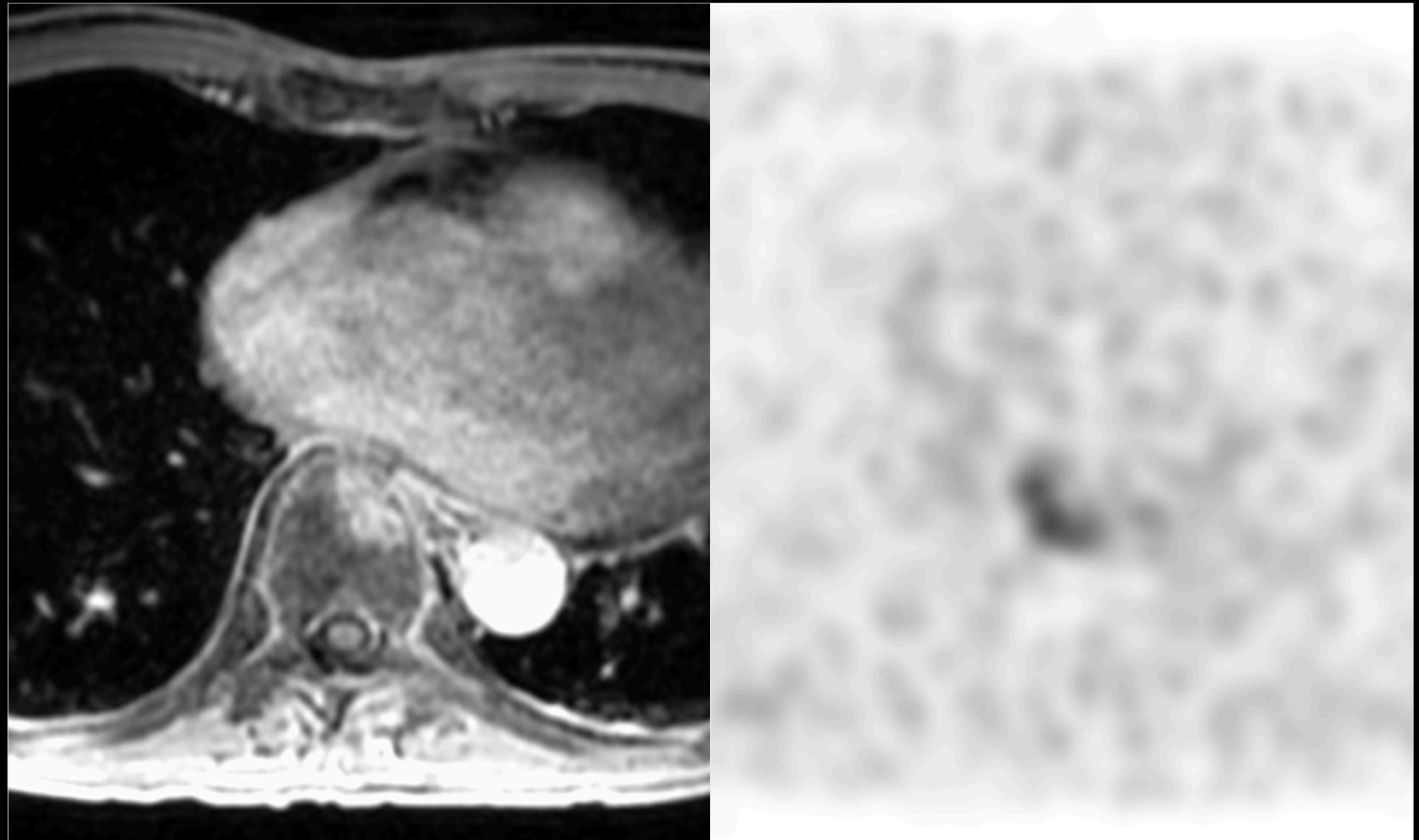
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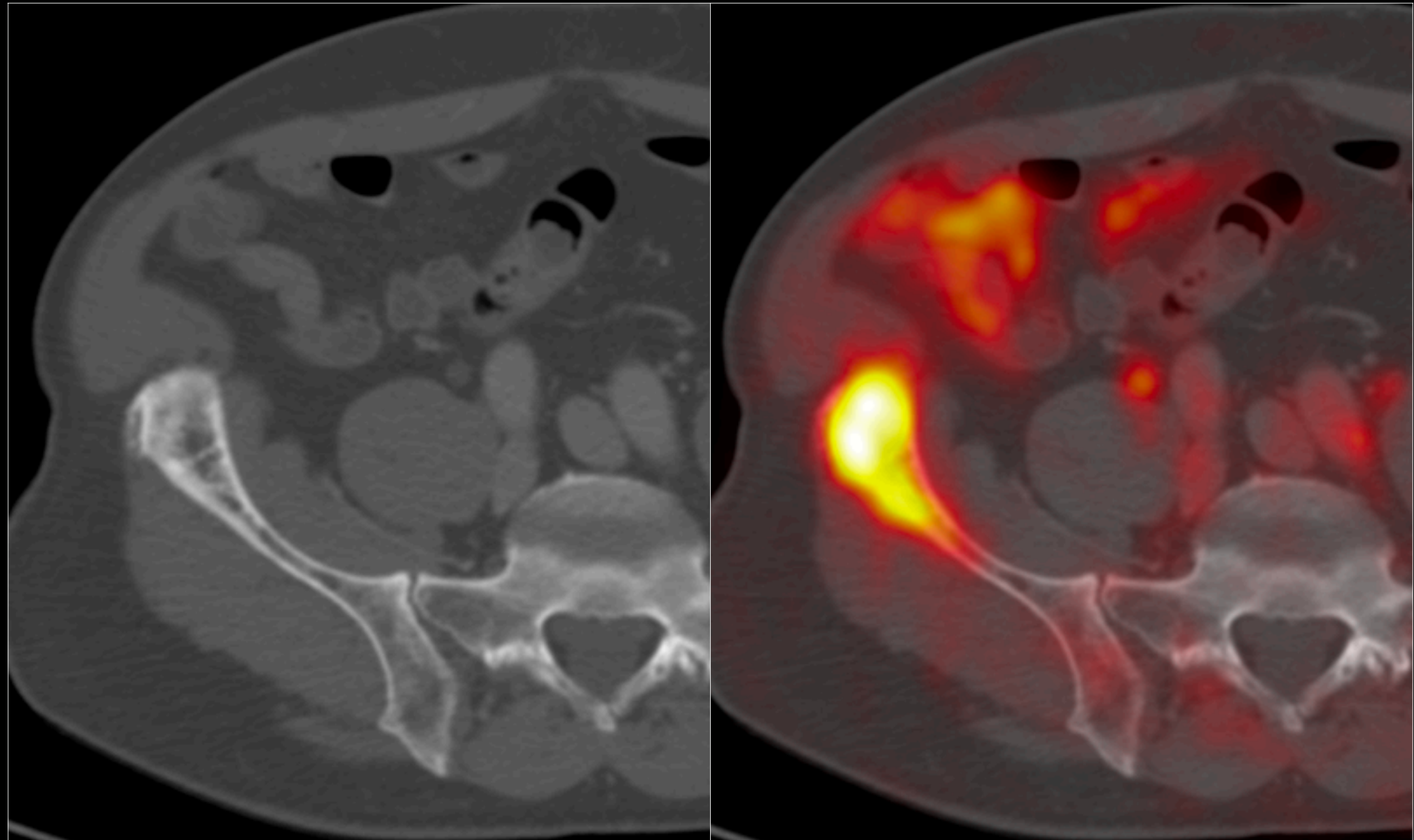
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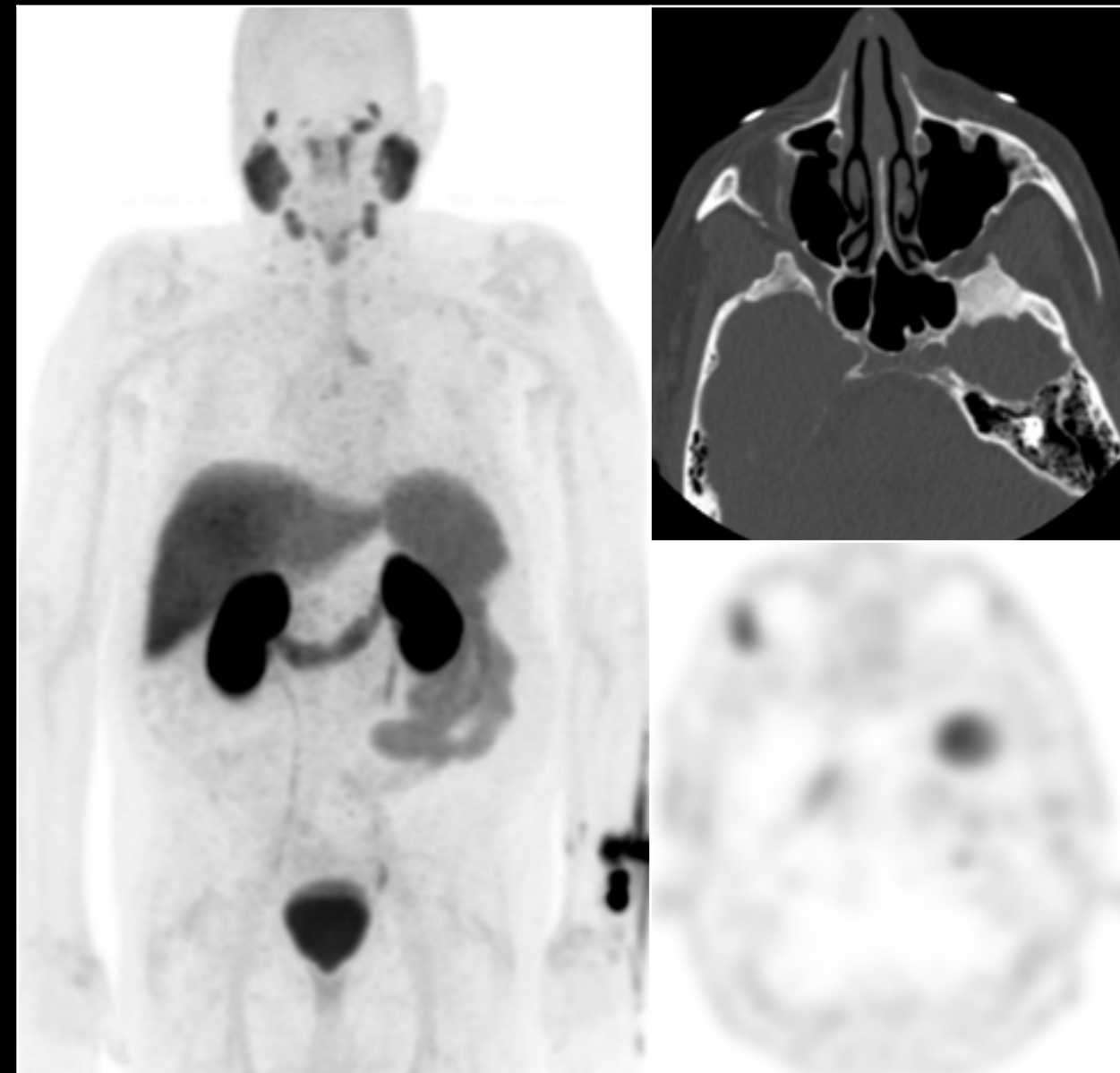
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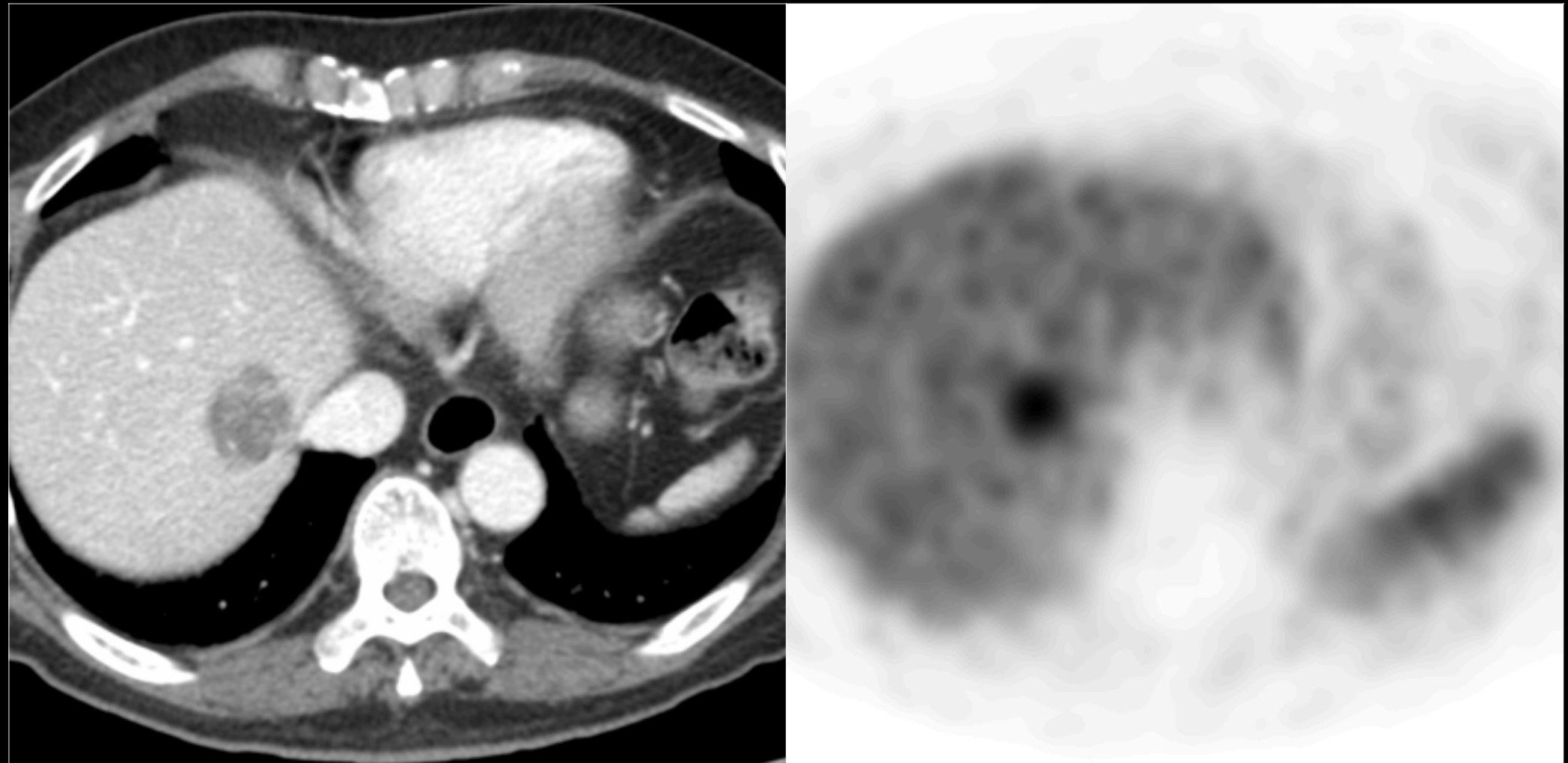
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Fibrous dysplasia



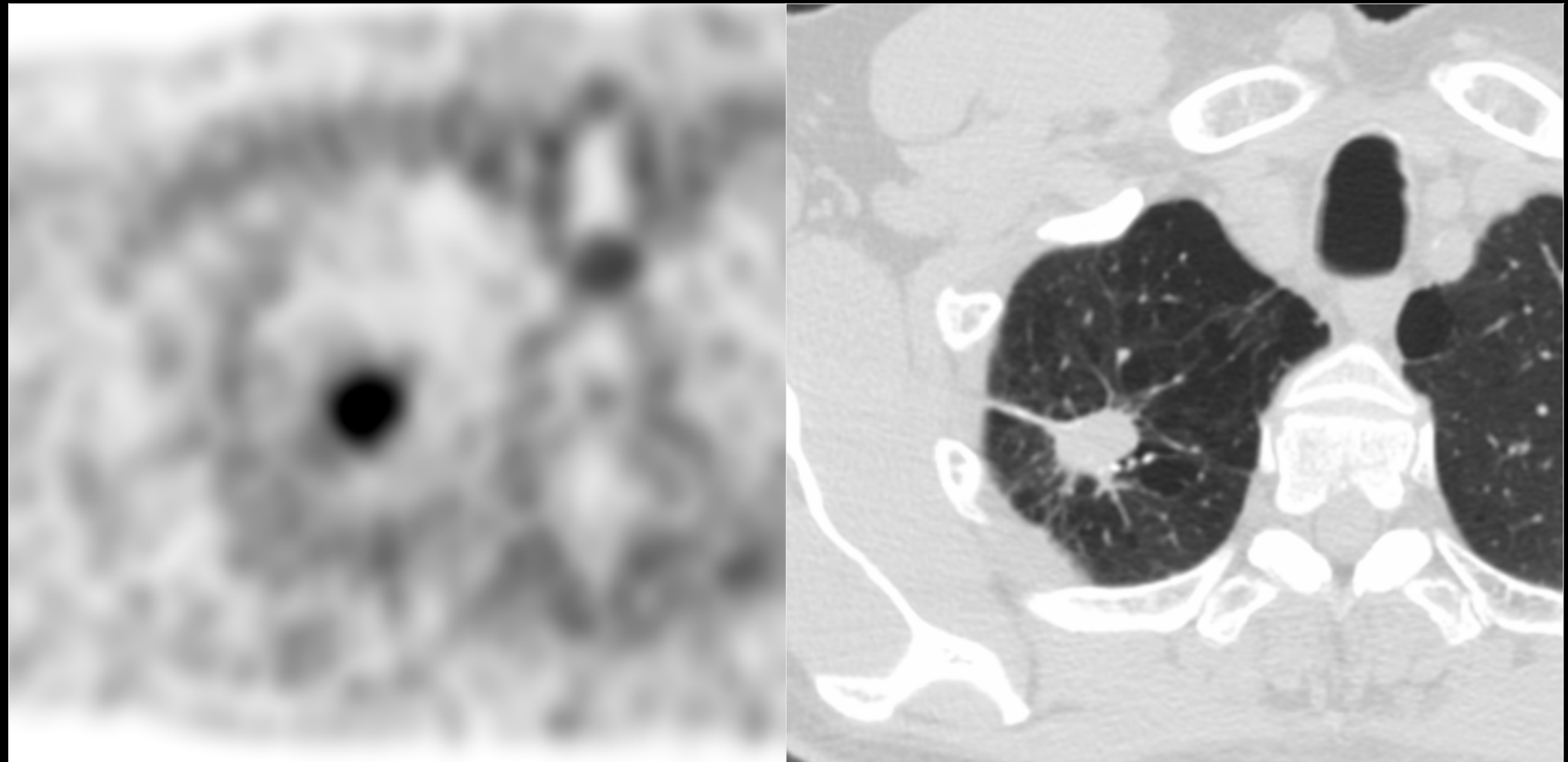
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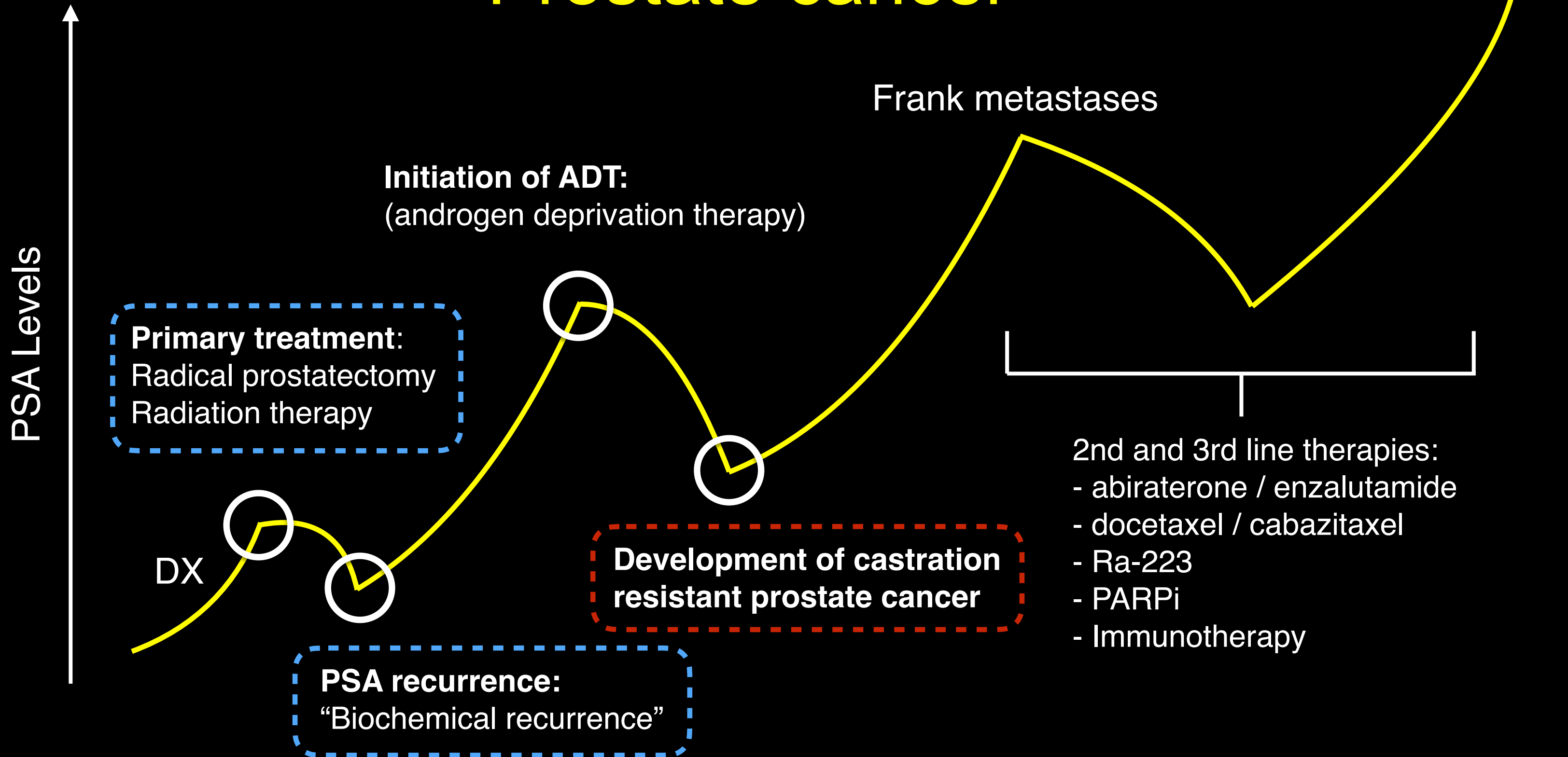


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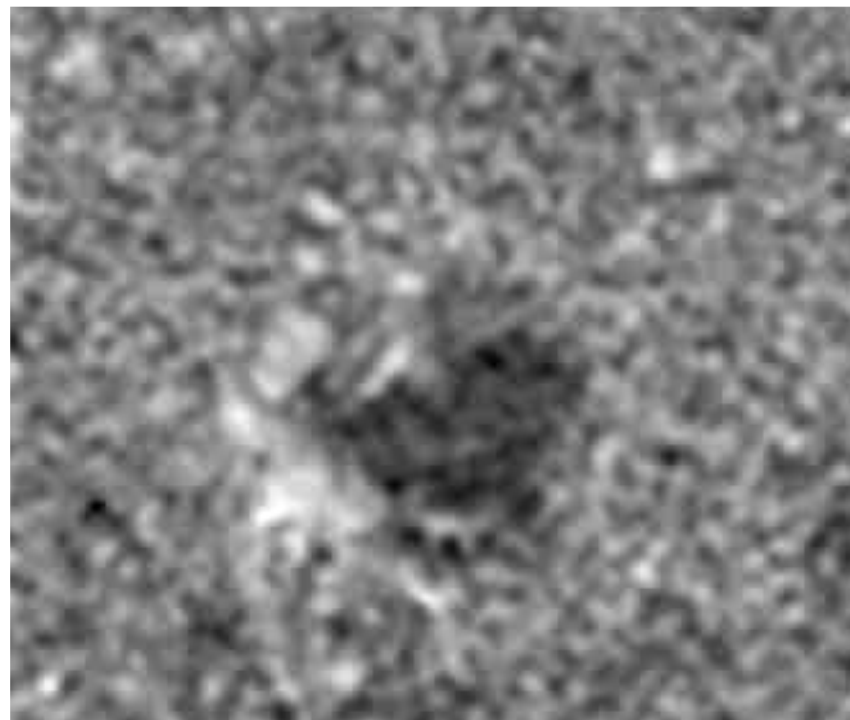
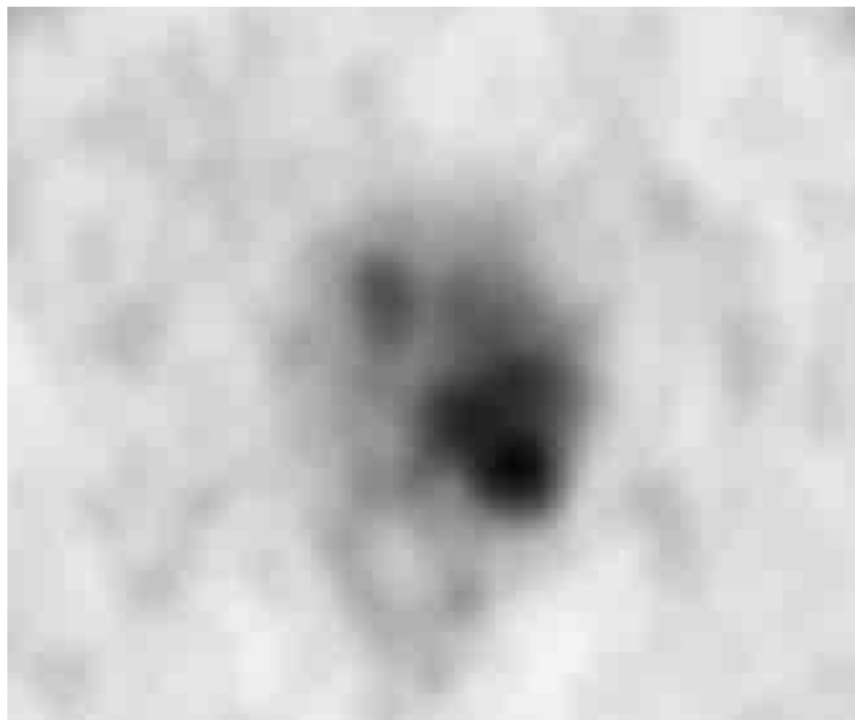
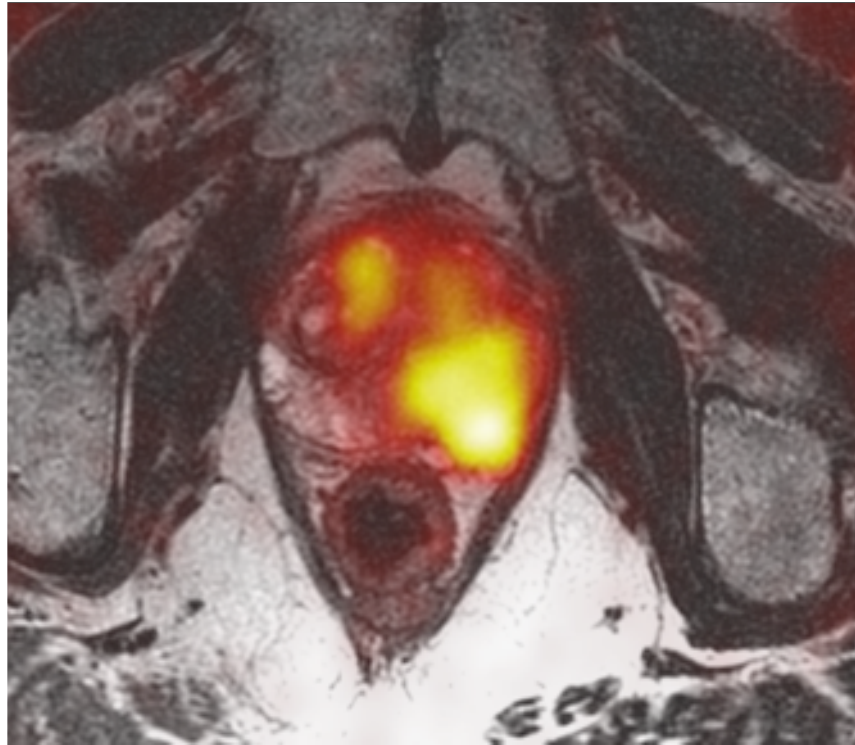
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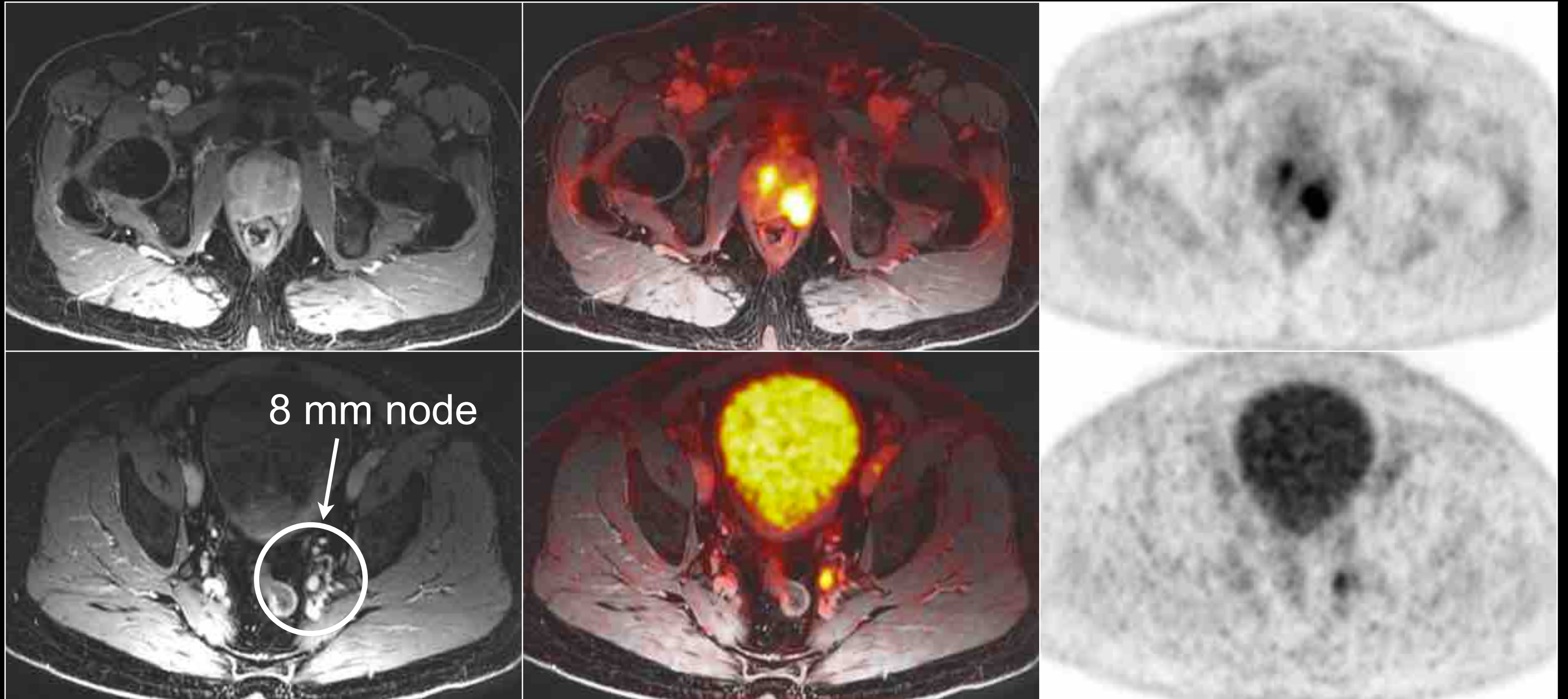
Prostate cancer



72 year old man with Gleason 4+4



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Role in initial staging: PSMA PET versus pathology at time of prostatectomy (n=277)

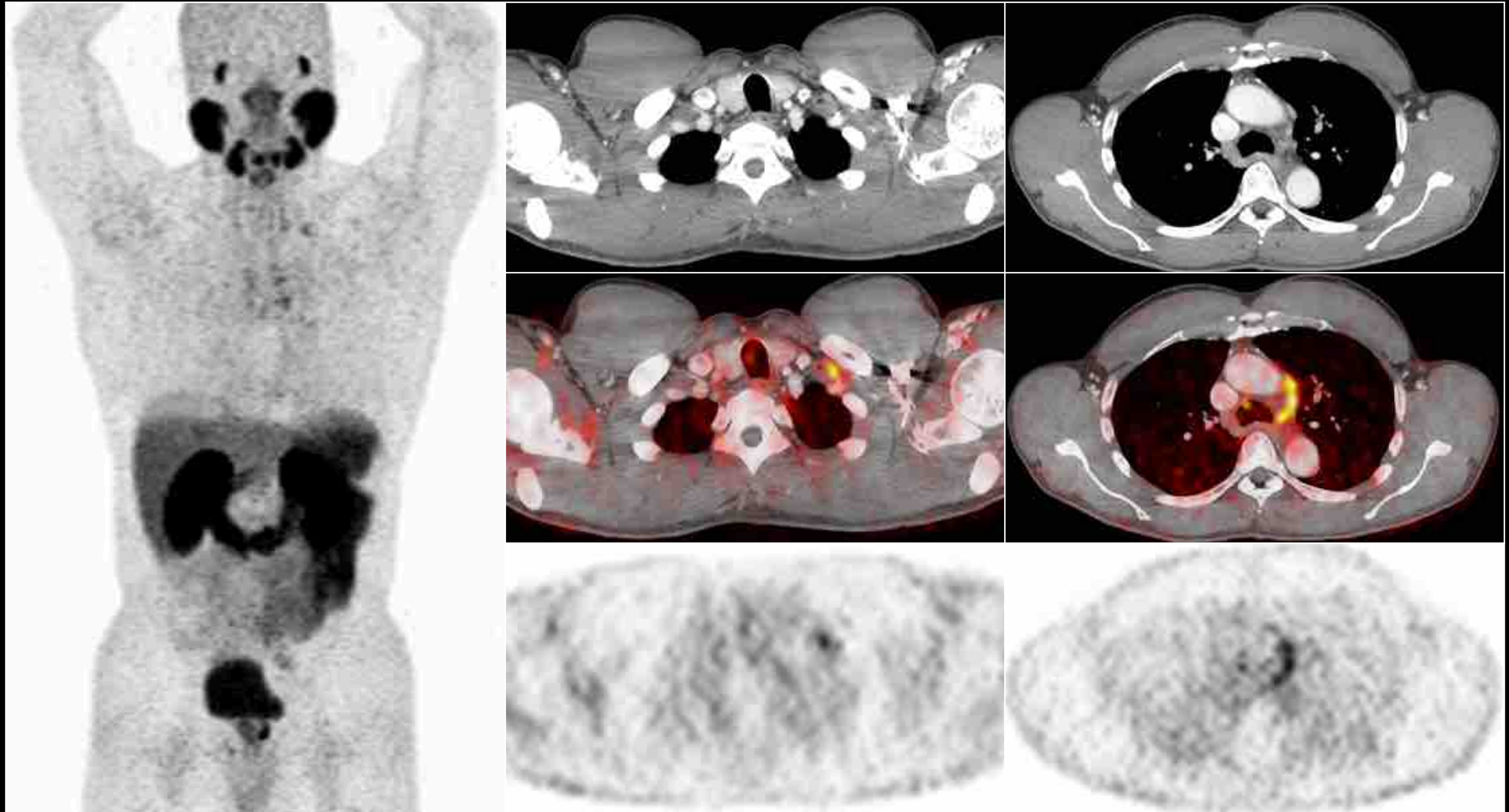
75 patients were positive on pathology (27%)



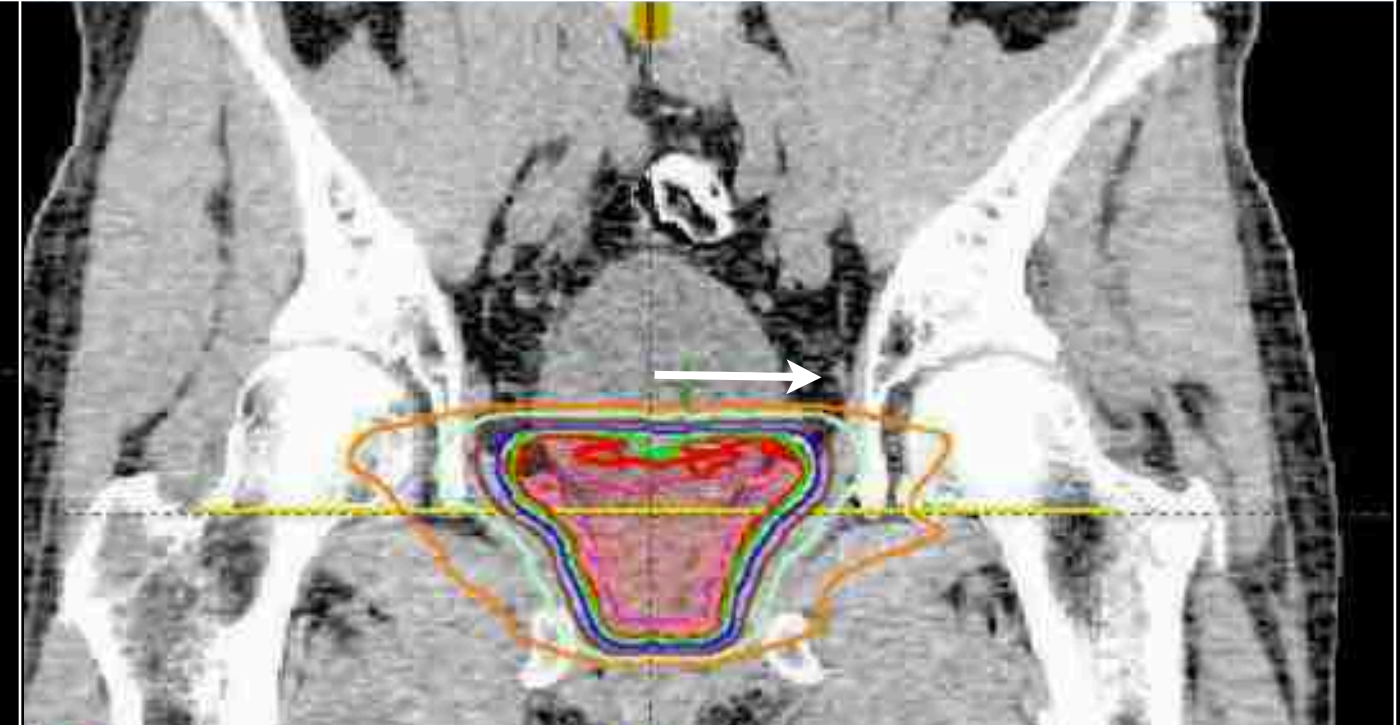
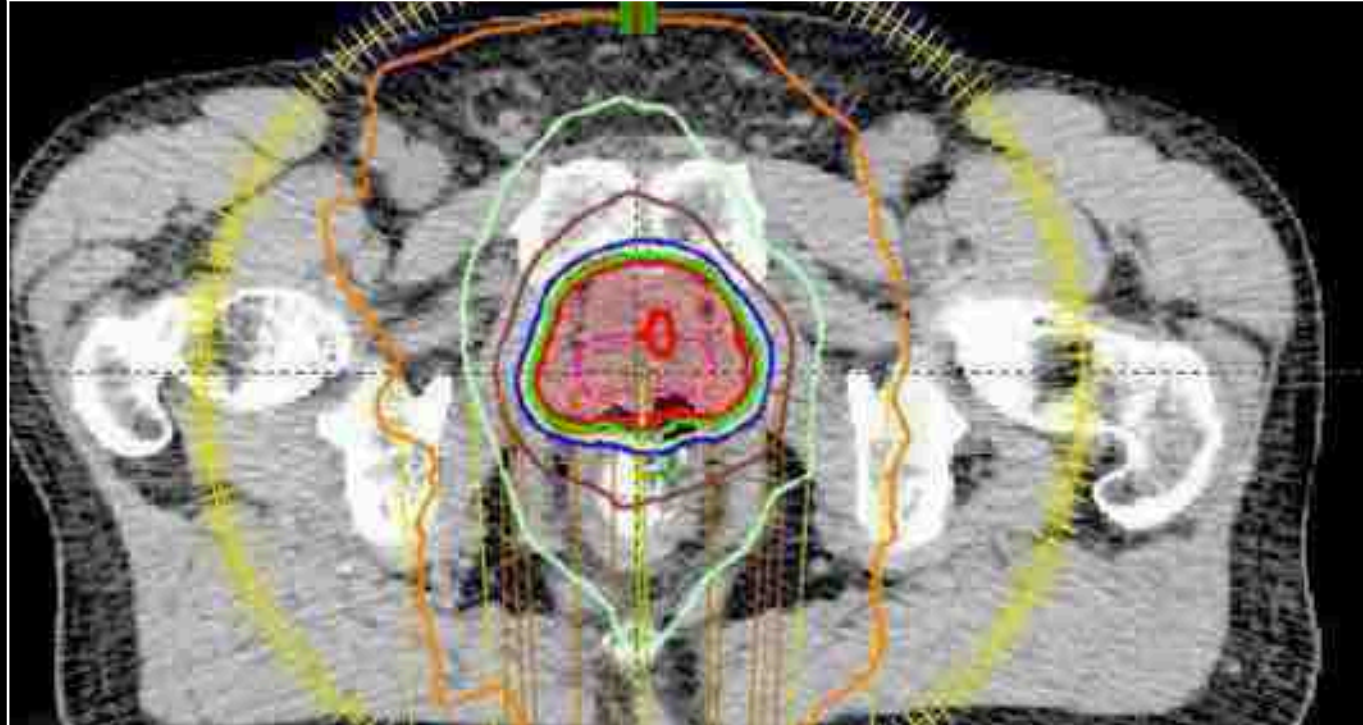
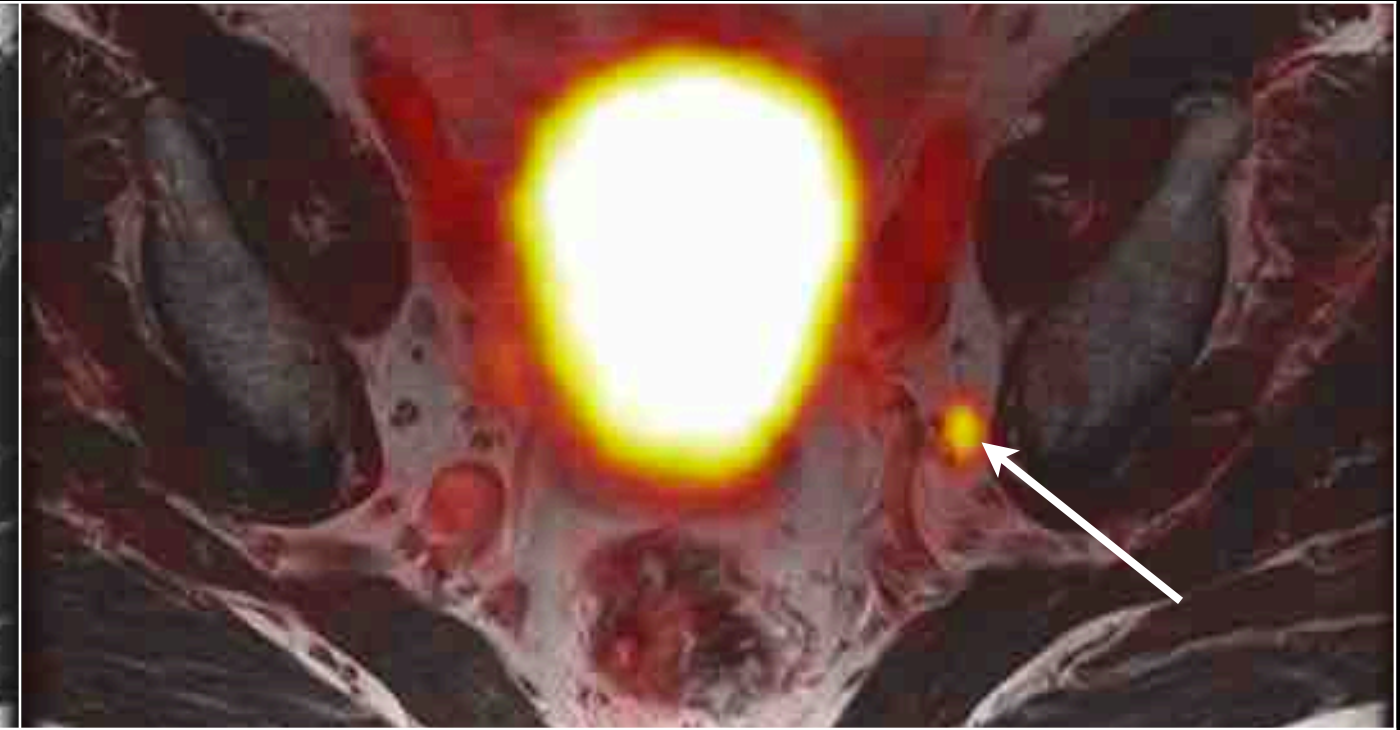
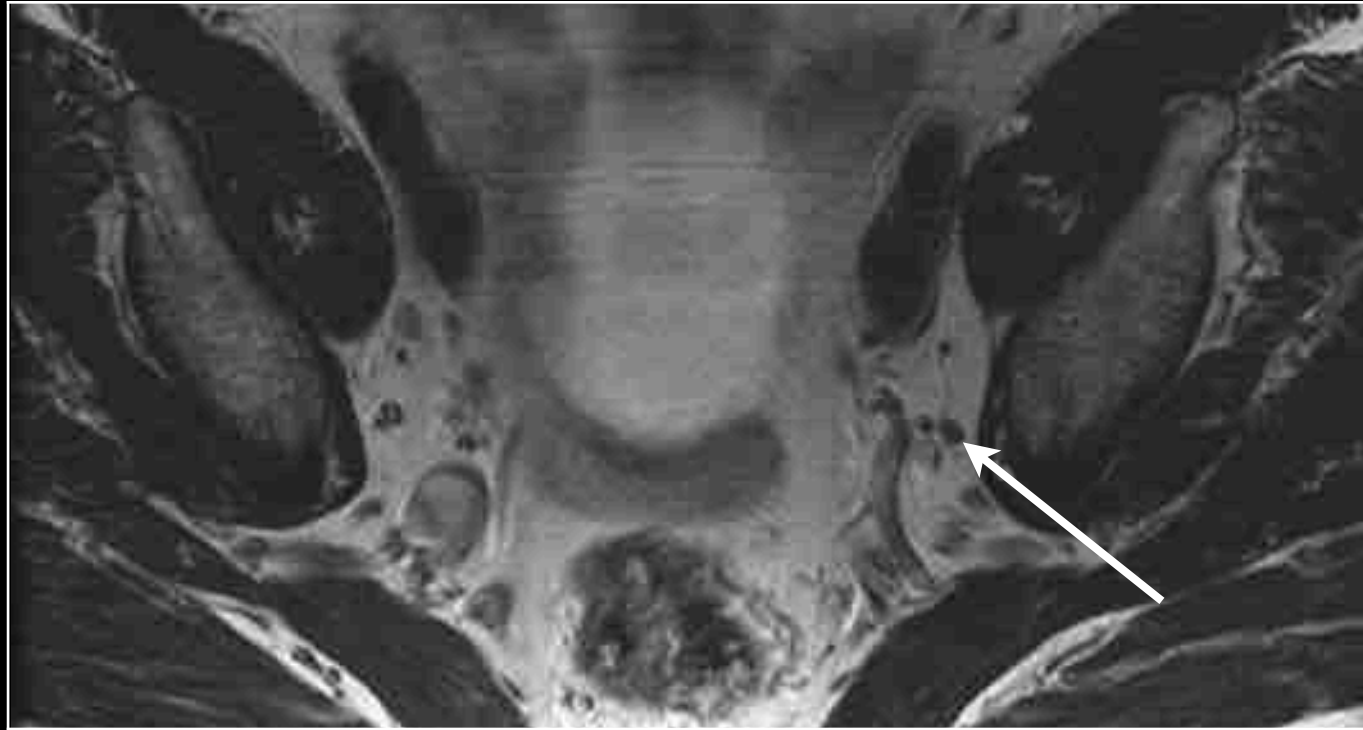
	+ LN on path	- LN on path
+ LN on PSMA	30	10
- LN on PSMA	45	192

- Sensitivity
→ 40%
- Specificity
→ 95%

PSA of 23.7, Gleason 4+3



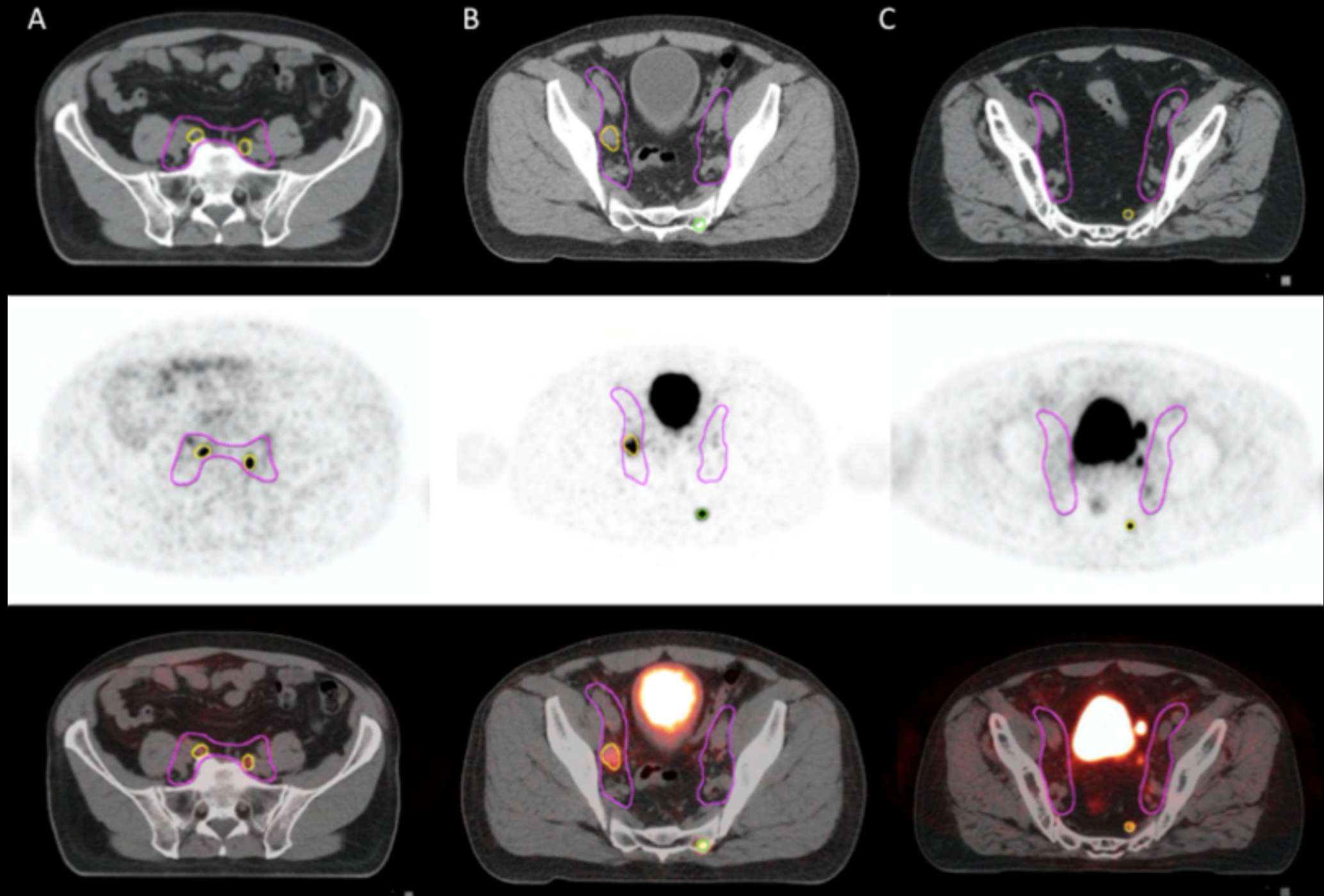
Recurrence after radiation therapy



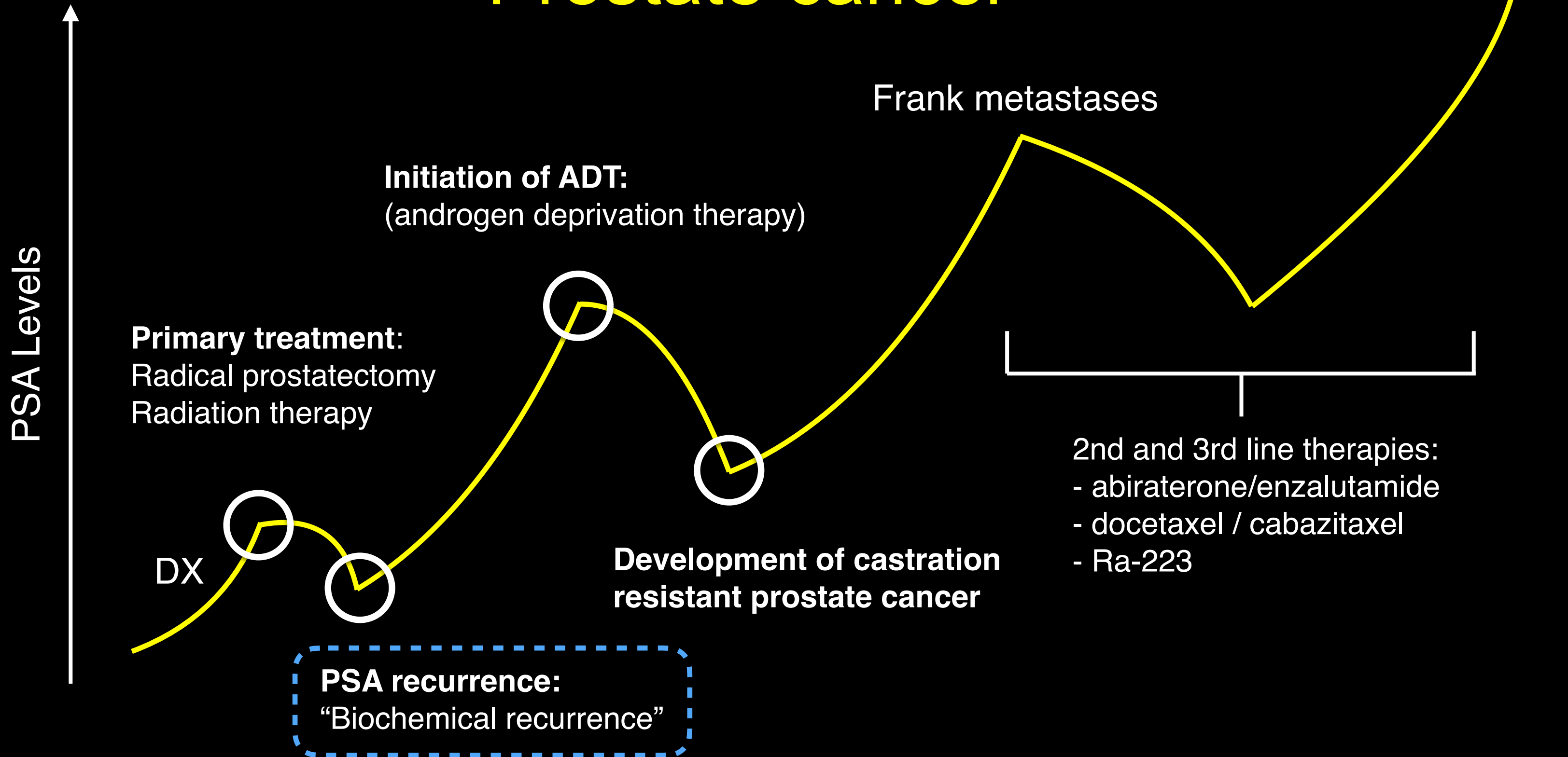
Effect of PSMA PET on RT planning

- 45 patients with high risk at staging
 - 12 received boost to nodes
 - 6 had RT to bone metastases
 - 8 had nodes outside of consensus CTV

53% had change
in RT plans



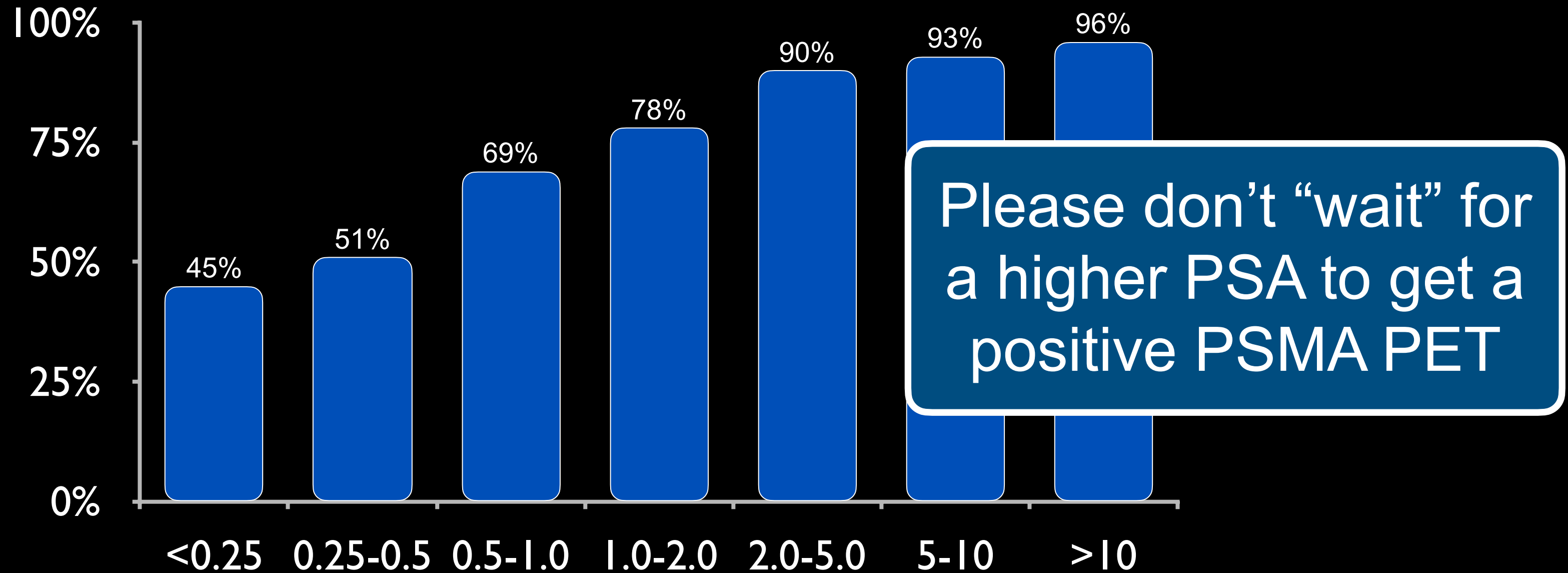
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Biochemical Recurrence

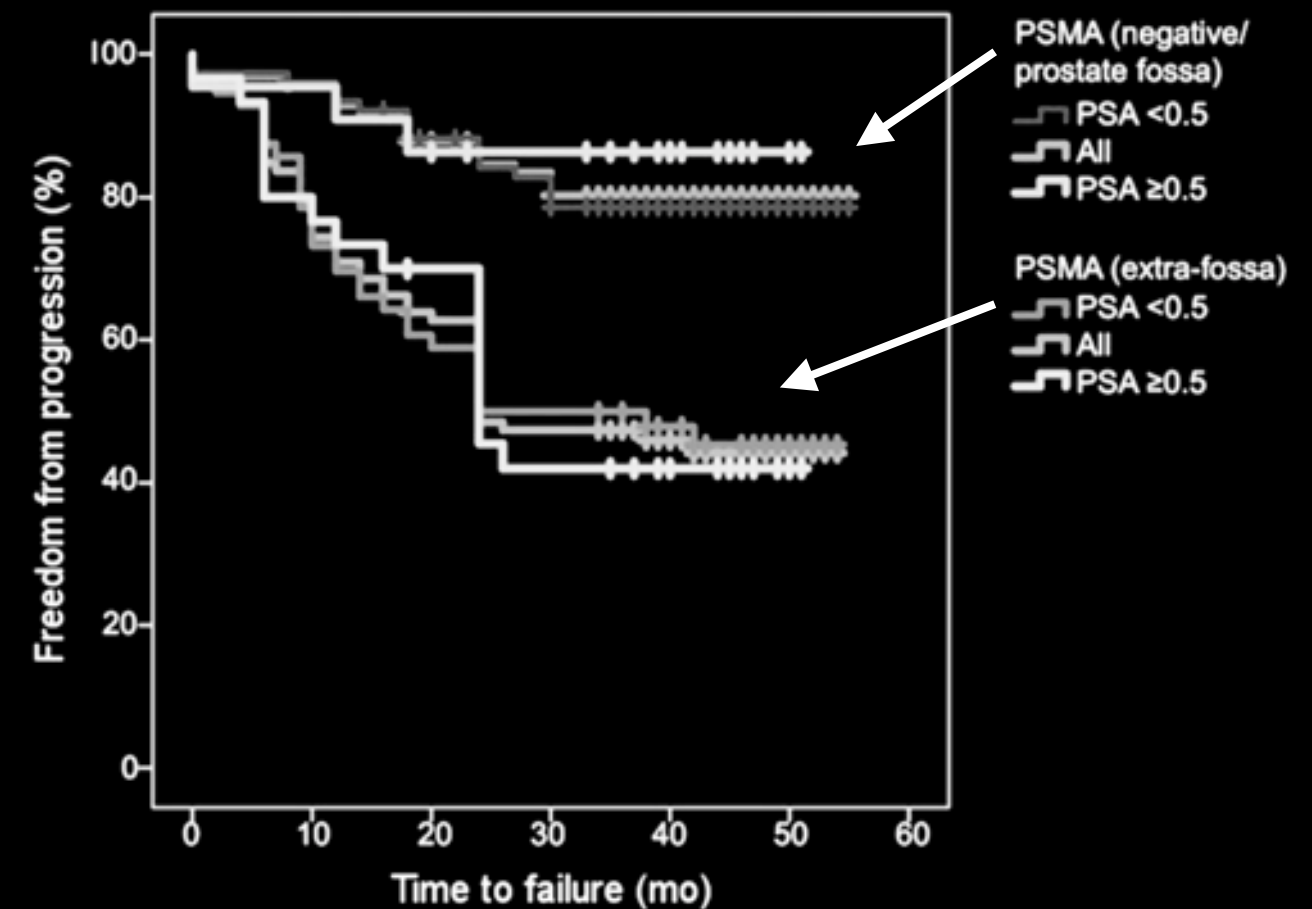
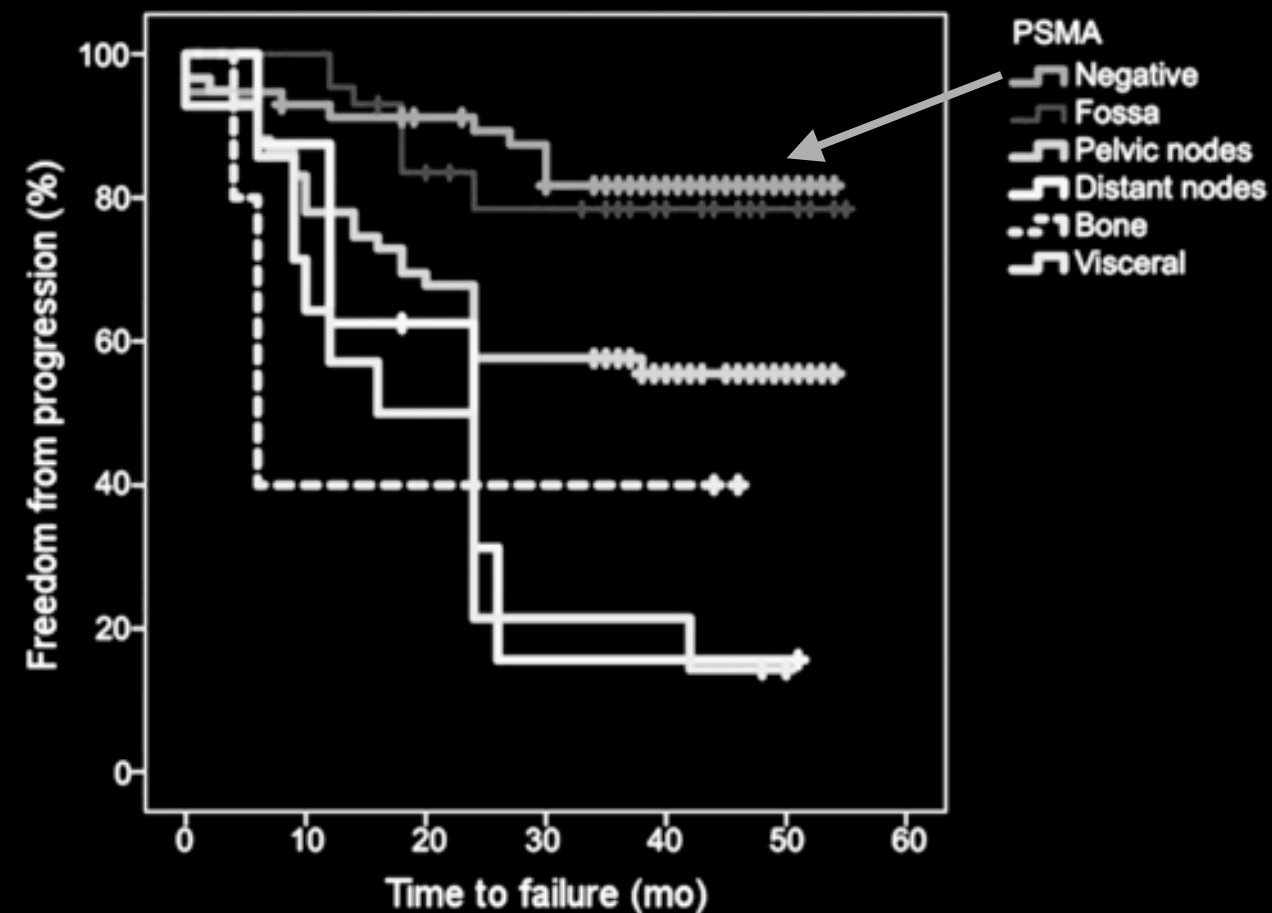
Post-RP	Post-Radiation
<p>AUA guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PSA > 0.2 ng/dL 6-12 weeks after prostatectomy• Confirmed on repeated PSA	<p>ASTRO-Phoenix:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PSA rise over post-radiation nadir of at least 2.0 ng/dL

Detection rate on PSMA PET directly related to the PSA at time of imaging



PSMA “negative” tumors

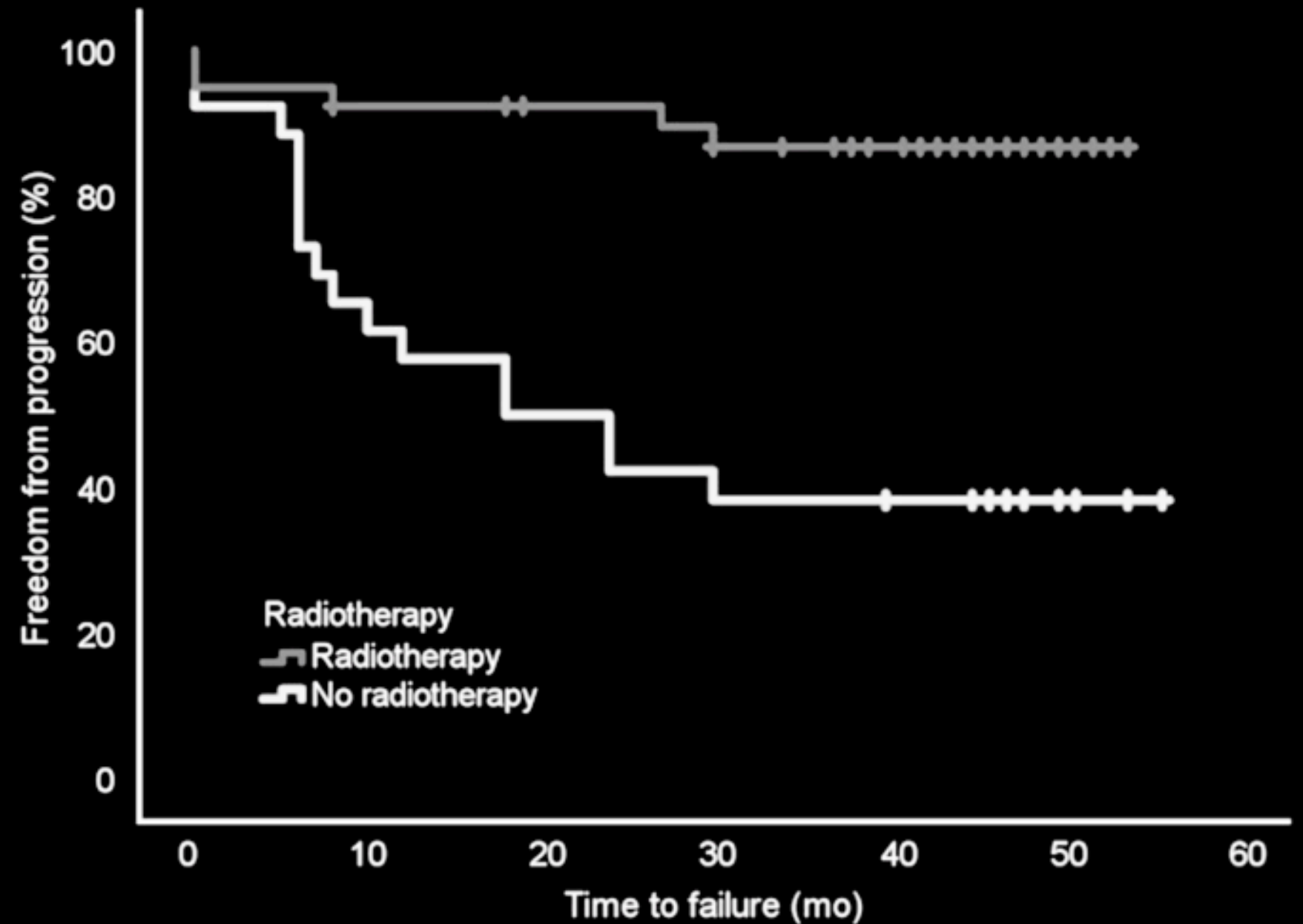
Outcomes in patients treated with SRT after PSMA PET (median PSA 0.26)



Freedom from Progression (FFP): PSA rise of 0.2 over nadir

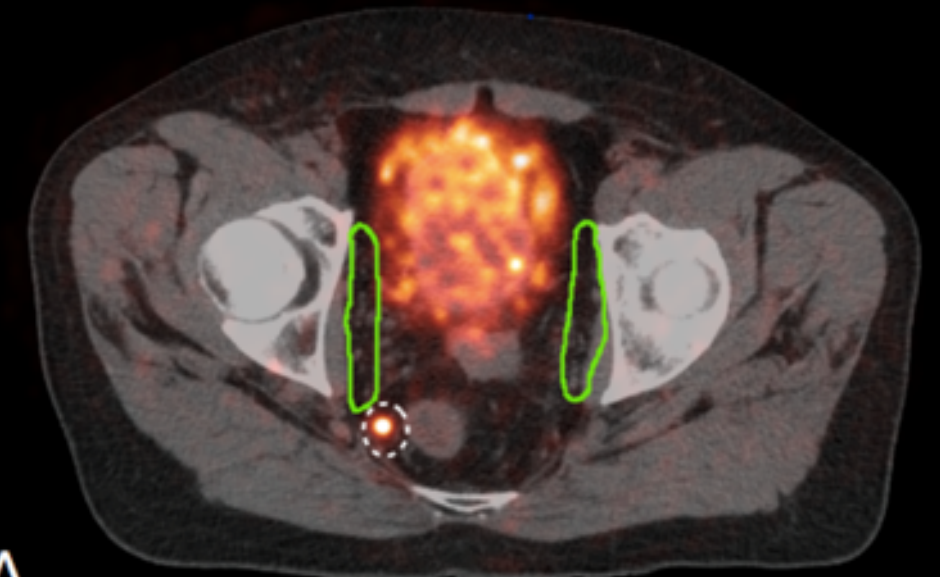
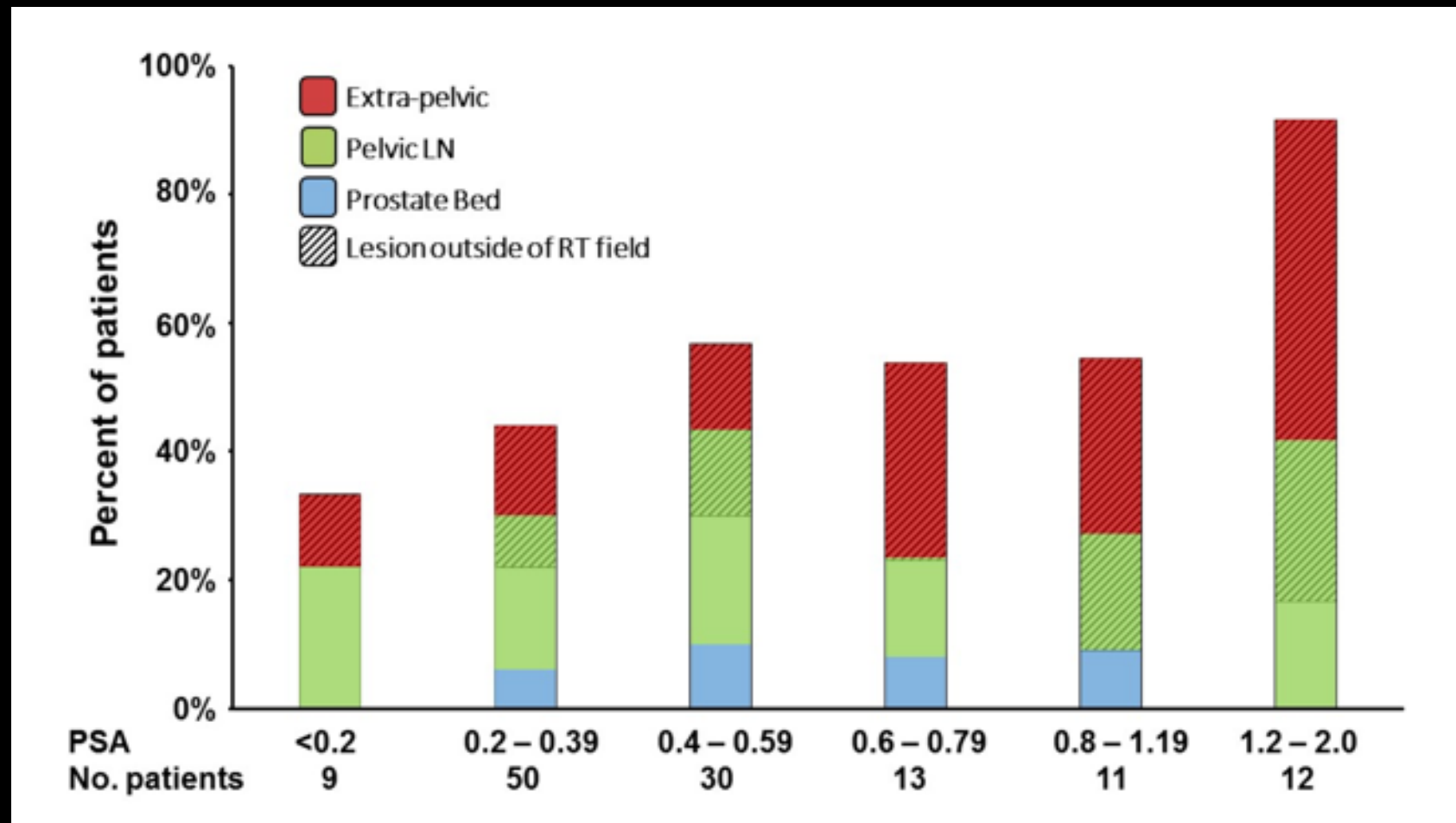
PSMA “negative” tumors

Remember, a negative PSMA PET does not mean that men should be observed...

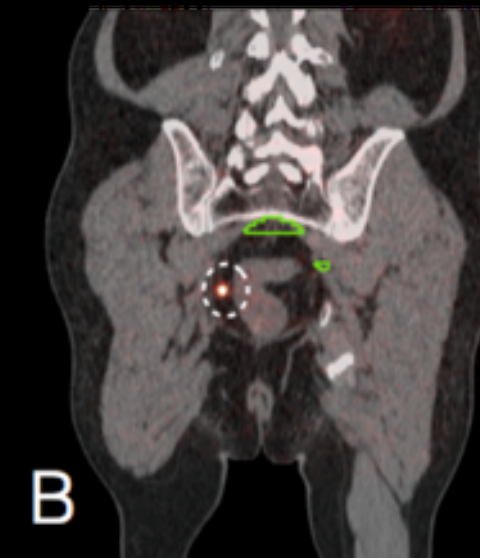


Location of recurrence

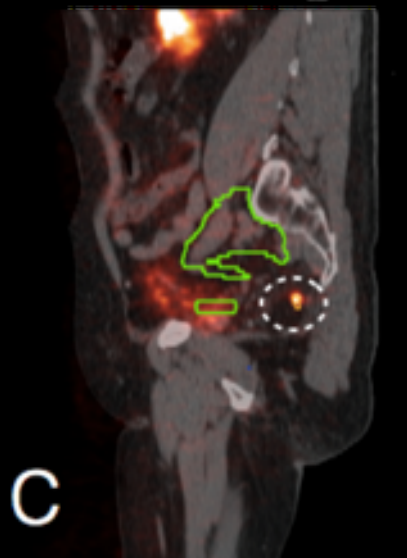
- 125 patients with PSA < 2.0 after RP
- 53% with PSMA+ disease
- 30% had disease missed by standard RT



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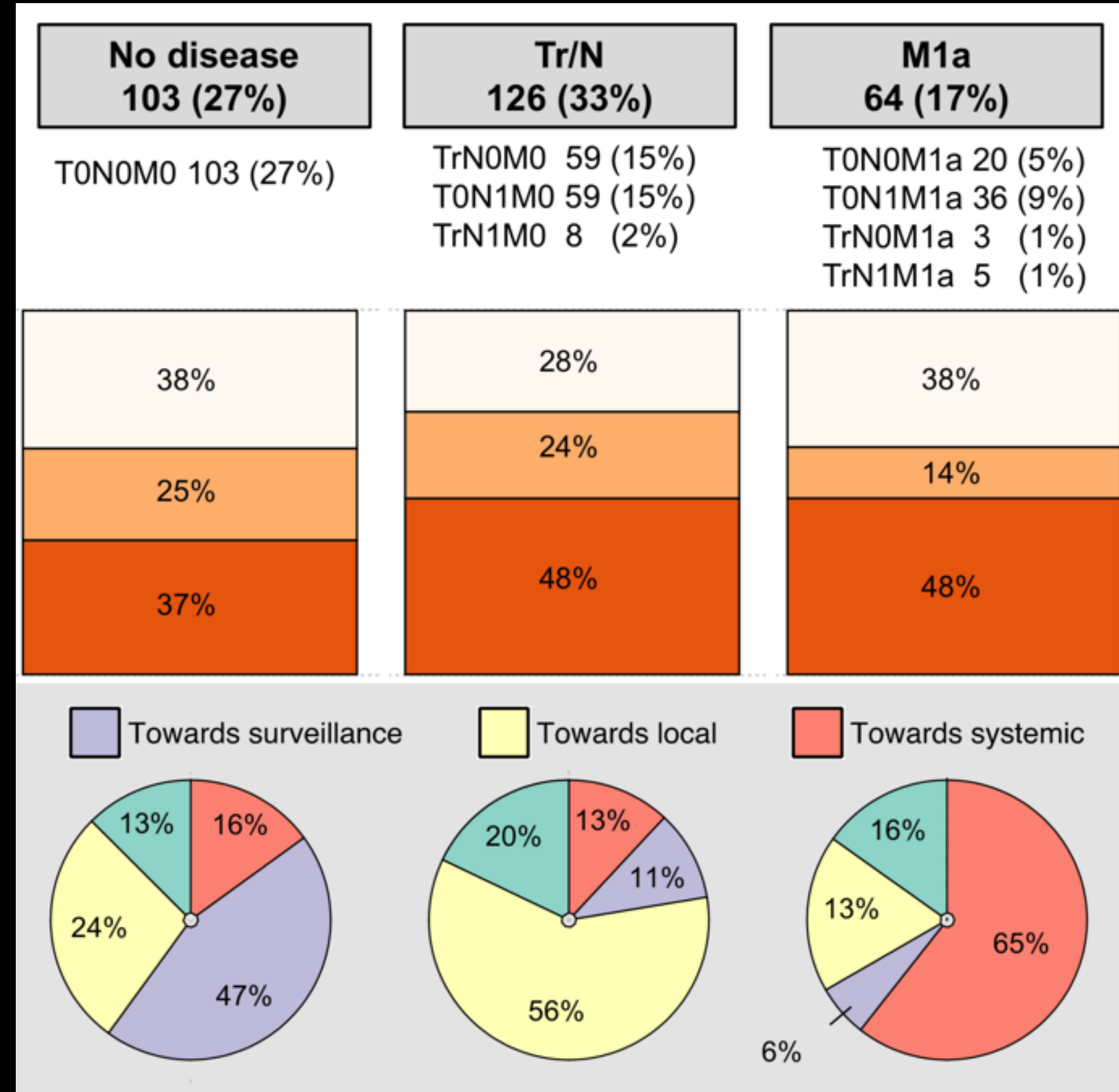
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Management changes depends on location of disease

- Neg > surveillance
- Pelvic nodes > RT
- Mets > systemic



Biochemical recurrence

Post RP: PSA increase from 0.5 to 0.9



Disease site 1: right pelvic side wall node 1



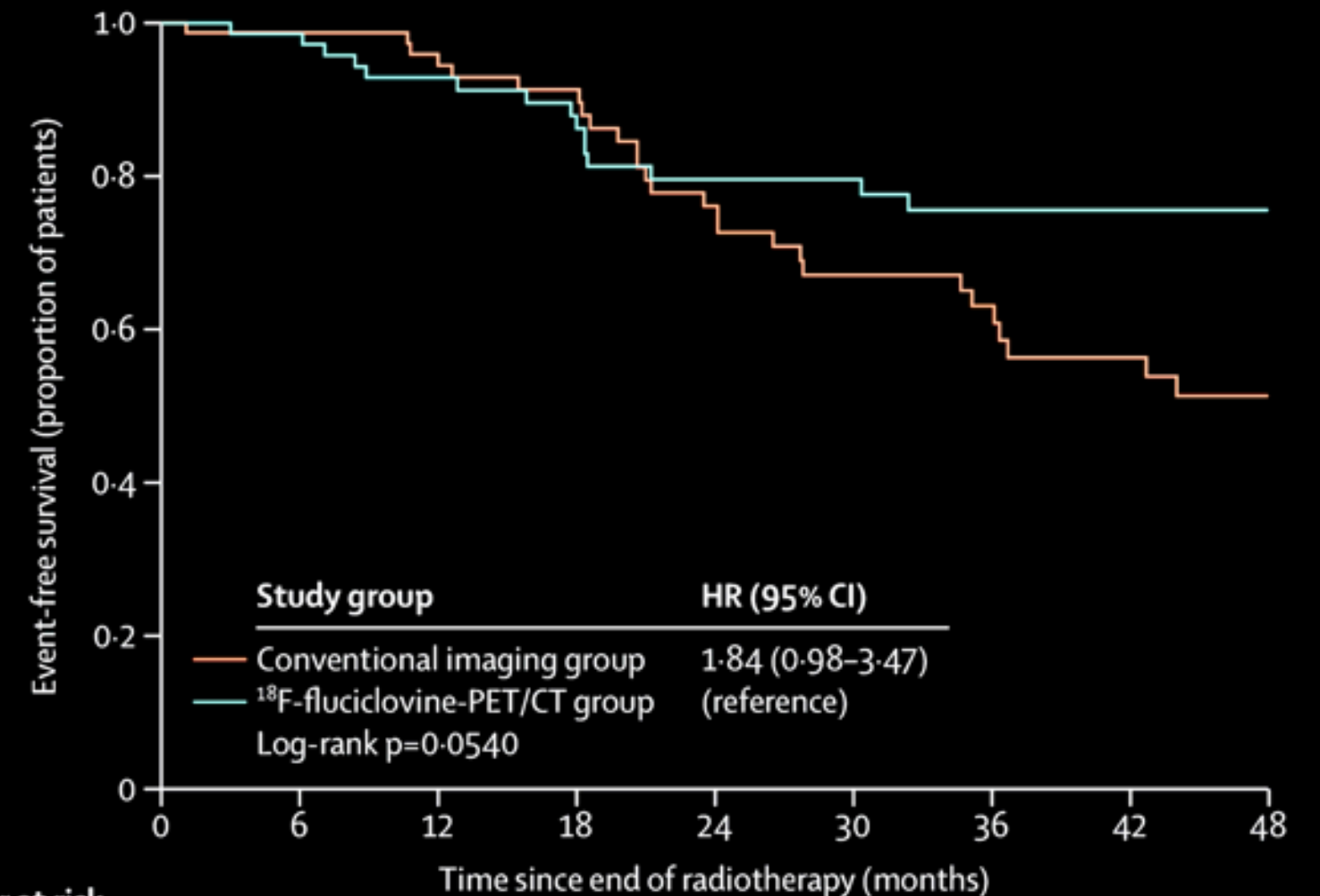
Disease site 2: right pelvic side wall node 2



EMPIRE-1: Fluciclovine vs CI

- Post-RP BCR patients
- Primary endpoint:
 - Event free survival (events defined as biochemical or clinical recurrence or progression, or initiation of systemic therapy)
- Biochemical free survival @ 4 years: 51.2% versus 75.5% ($p < 0.0001$)

	Conventional imaging-guided (n=82)	¹⁸ F-fluciclovine-PET/CT-guided (n=83)
PSA before radiotherapy, ng/mL	0.34 (0.82)	0.34 (0.92)
Androgen deprivation therapy—long-term use (18–24 months)	8 (10%)	9 (11%)
Androgen deprivation therapy—any use	28 (35%)	30 (38%)



	Number at risk (number censored)								
Conventional imaging group	81 (1)	76 (4)	66 (13)	54 (21)	44 (22)	36 (25)	28 (31)	23 (33)	19 (54)
¹⁸ F-fluciclovine-PET/CT group	76 (1)	71 (4)	59 (13)	53 (15)	46 (19)	41 (22)	35 (26)	30 (32)	21 (61)

Theranostics

- The use of a compound for both diagnostics and therapeutics

Imaging
Ga-68

Therapy
Lu-177
Y-90

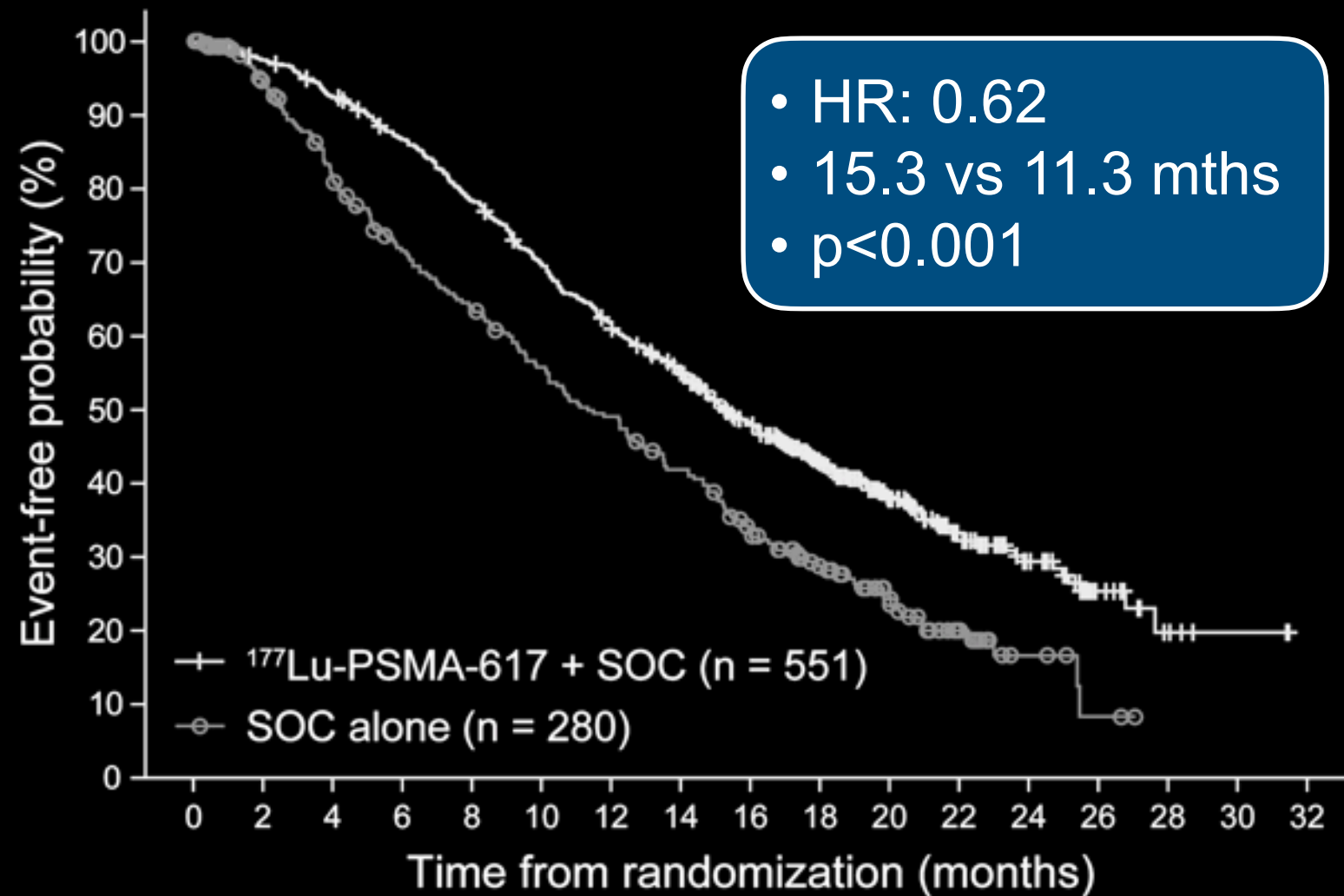


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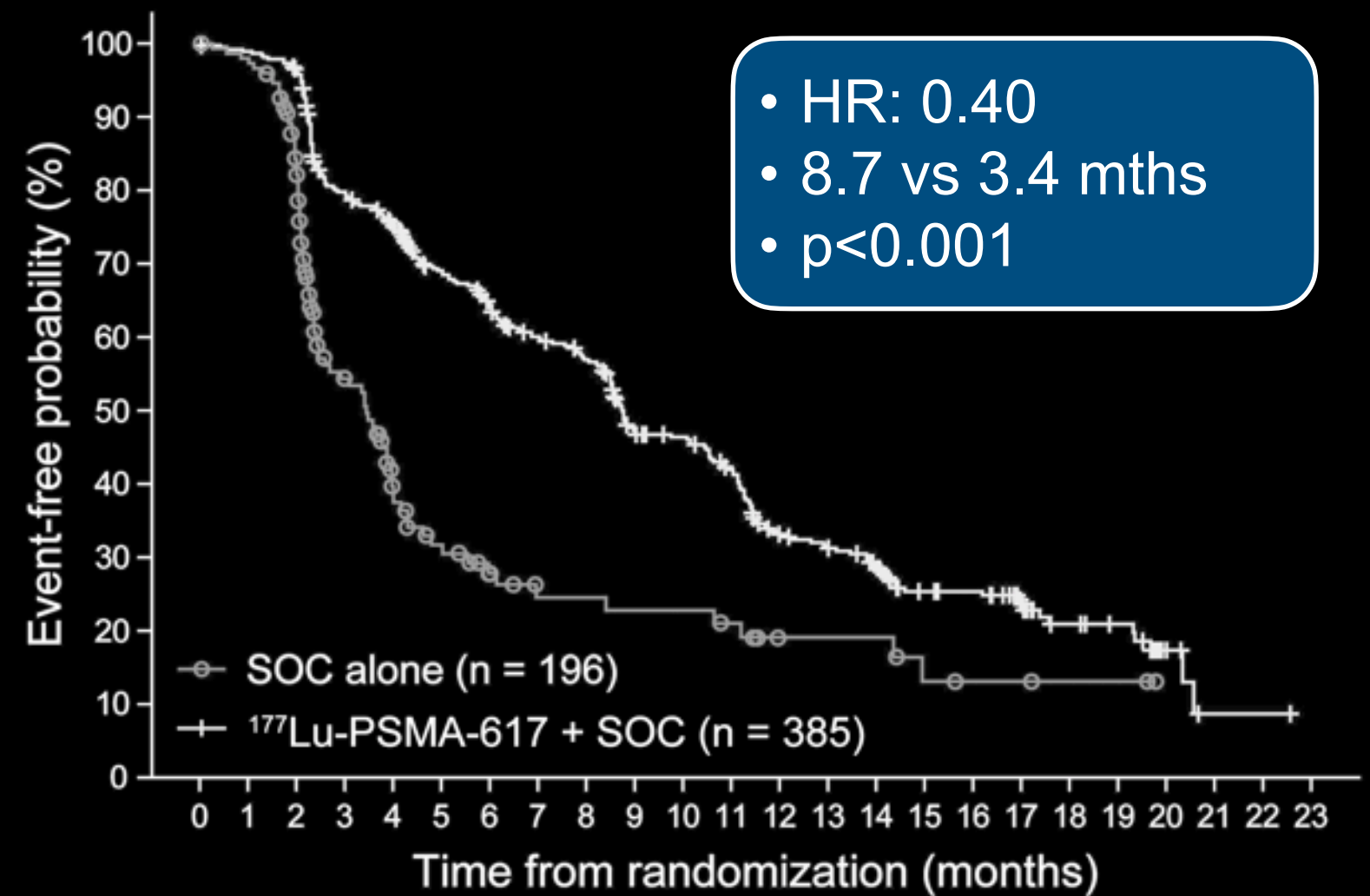
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VISION results: ^{177}Lu -PSMA-617

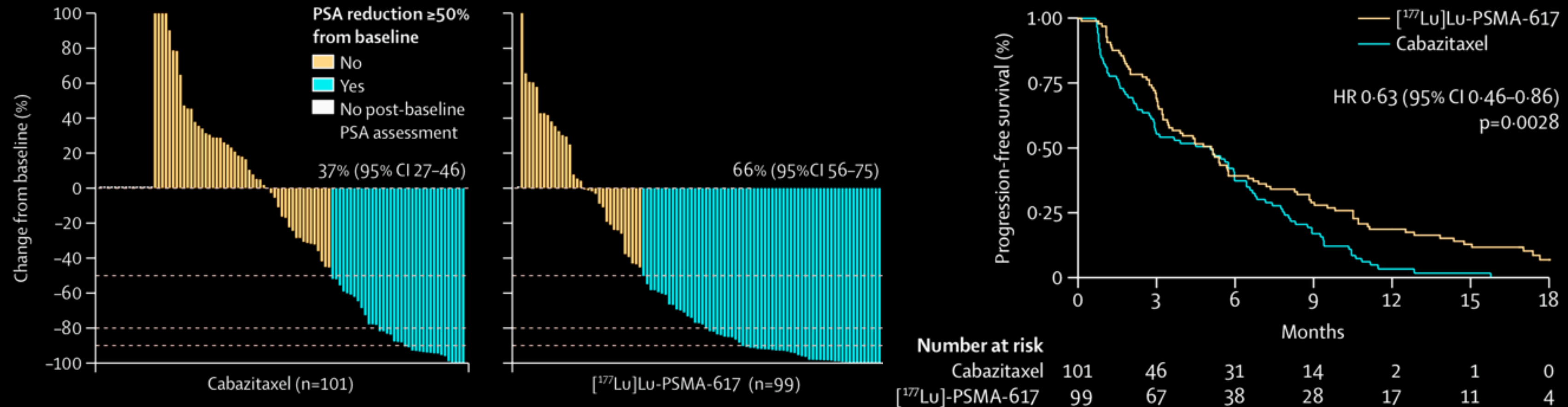
Overall Survival



PFS



TheraP trial...



Hofman et al Lancet 2021

Pending PSMA trials

Company sponsored	Academic trials
PSMAAddition (AAA/Novartis); n=750+ 177Lu-PSMA-617+ADT/abi vs ADT/abi Metastatic CSPC	ENZA-P (ANZUP); n=160 177Lu-PSMA-617+enza vs enza First line mCRPC
PSMAfore (AAA/Novartis); n=495 177Lu-PSMA-I&T vs second line abi/enza Pre-chemo mCRPC	LuPARP (Peter Mac); n=52 177Lu-PSMA-617 + olaparib Post-chemo mCRPC
SPLASH (POINT Biopharma); n=415 177Lu-PSMA-I&T vs second line abi/enza Pre-chemo mCRPC	CCTG trial; n=200 177Lu-PSMA-617 vs docetaxel Pre-chemo mCRPC
AcTION (AAA/Novartis); n=30 225Ac-PSMA-617 Phase 1 Pre/post-chemo mCRPC	Bullseye (Radbound); n=58 177Lu-PSMA-617 in oligometastatic patients Pre-hormonal mCSPC



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Summary

1. Two PSMA PET radiotracers (PSMA-11 and 18F-piflufolostat) are FDA approved and covered by Medicare
2. PSMA PET is superior to existing radiotracers for the detection of metastatic prostate cancer
3. 177Lu-based PSMA-targeted radioligand therapy should be approved by the FDA in the coming months

A scenic sunset over a body of water, likely a bay or harbor. The sky is filled with vibrant orange and yellow clouds, with a hint of blue at the top. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow. In the foreground, the water is calm, reflecting the colors of the sky. In the background, a bridge with a tall pylon is visible on the right side. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

Thank you!

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