Innovations in Neuroimaging

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Cyclotron and Fast lab







PET CT and SPECT CT scanner





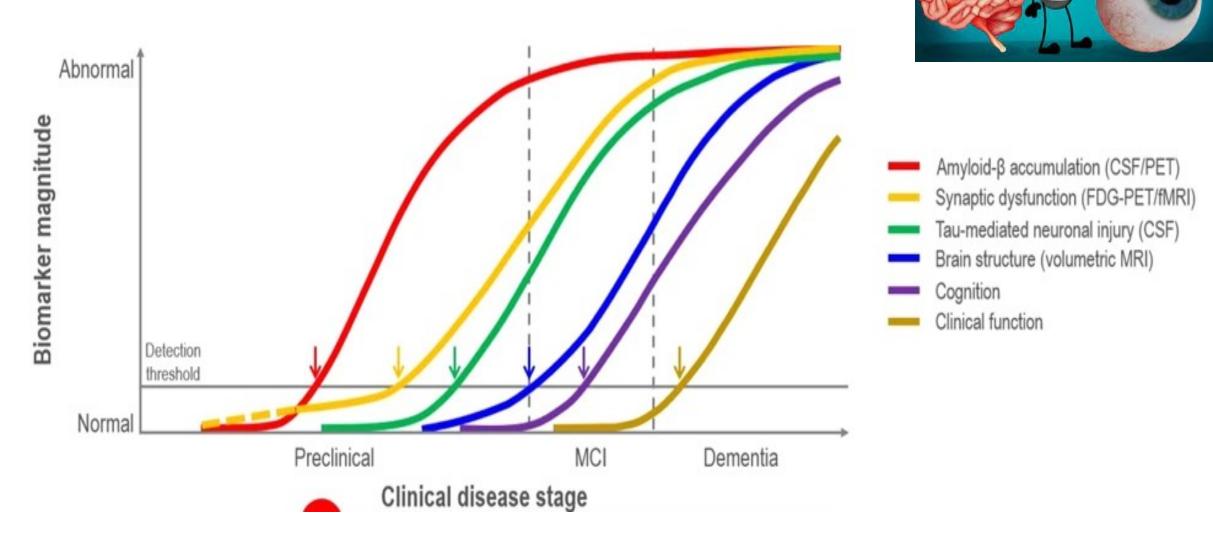
Local experience



- Started performing brain FDG PET in 2019
 - Over 200 cases (~2 per week now)
 - Mainly for neurodegenerative diseases
 - Others-epilepsy focus, tumor characterization
- TRODAT (DaT scan) SPECT started in 2021
 - ~60 cases



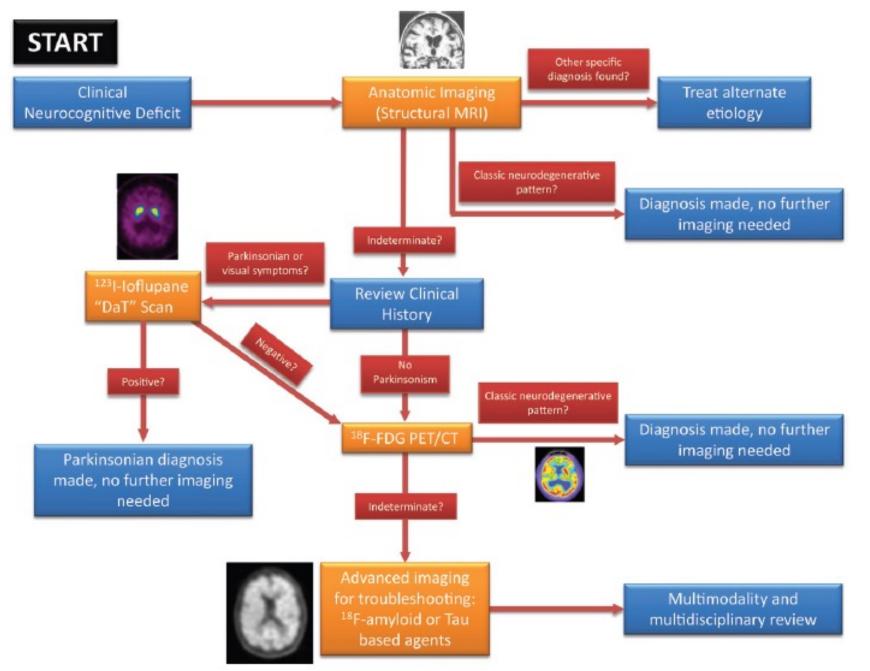
What if these innovations disappeared?



From: <u>The Amyloid-β Pathway in Alzheimer's Disease</u>

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Study Science with AumSum



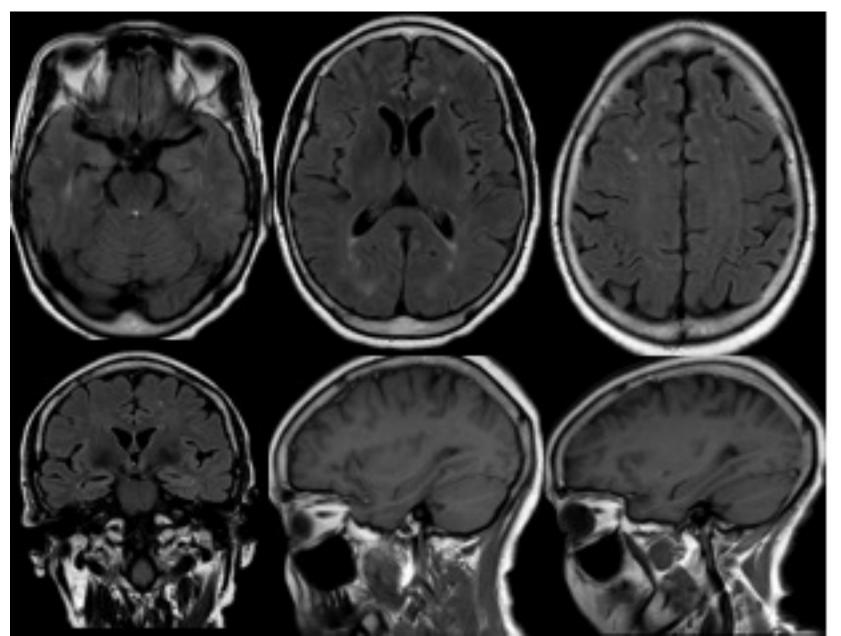
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Case 1

- Brought by husband; forgetful for 3 years, progressing
- Misplaces items in house, forgets names of familiar people, forgets conversations.
- Still able to manage her finances
- Her mood is a 'problem', has become argumentative.
- Very emotional when asked about her family: extremely difficult childhood,
- Sexually abused age 12, 2 teenage pregnancies
- Had a partner who cheated on her before she got married to current husband.
- Her mother was emotional abusive. She was not able to complete her schooling.
- PHQ9 SCORE 26, GAD 7 SCORE 21, MOCA 13/30

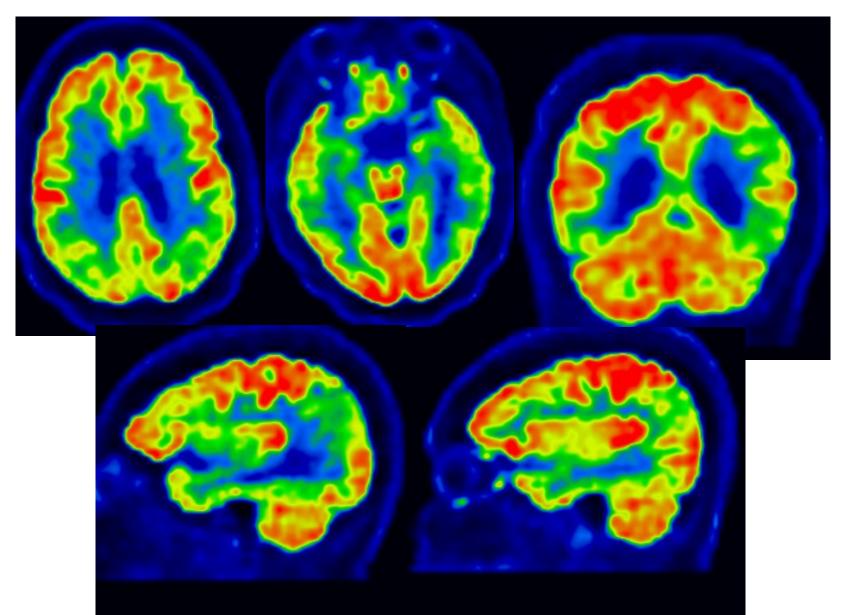
MRI brain

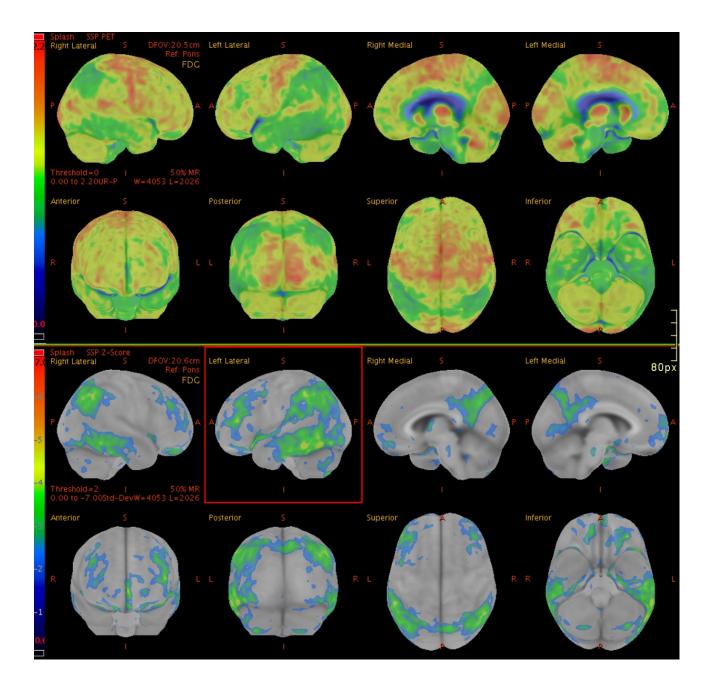




Healing the brain

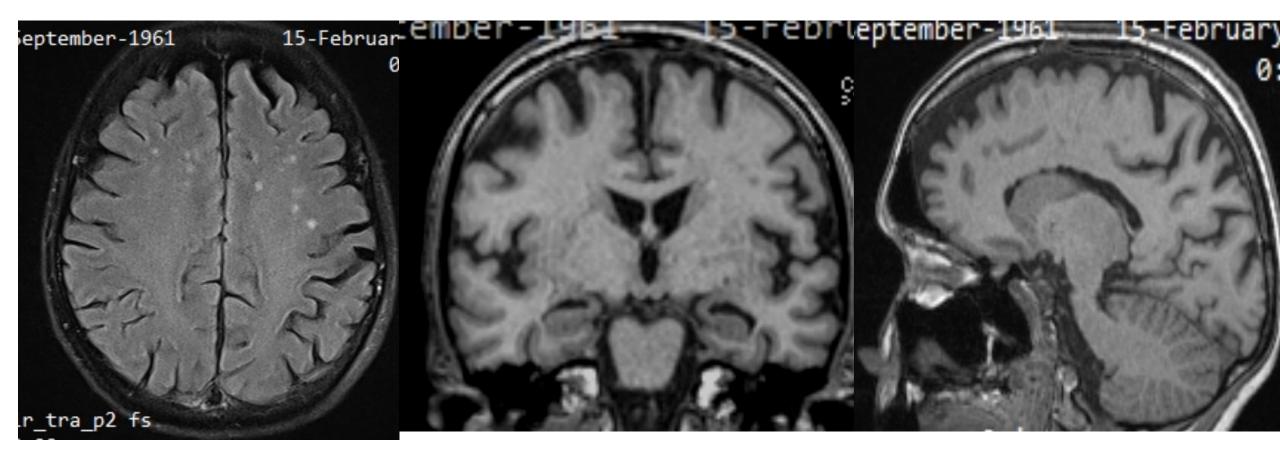
FDG PET

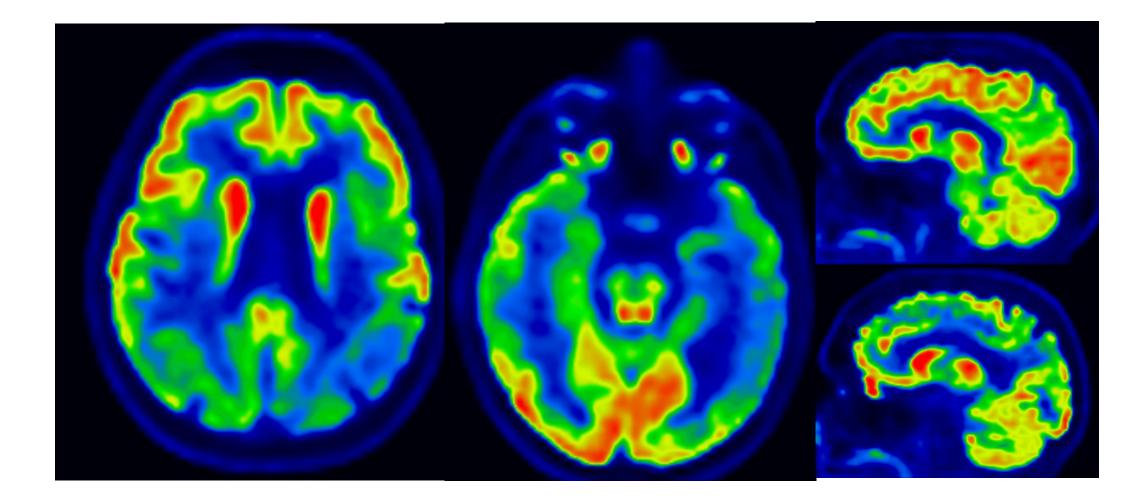


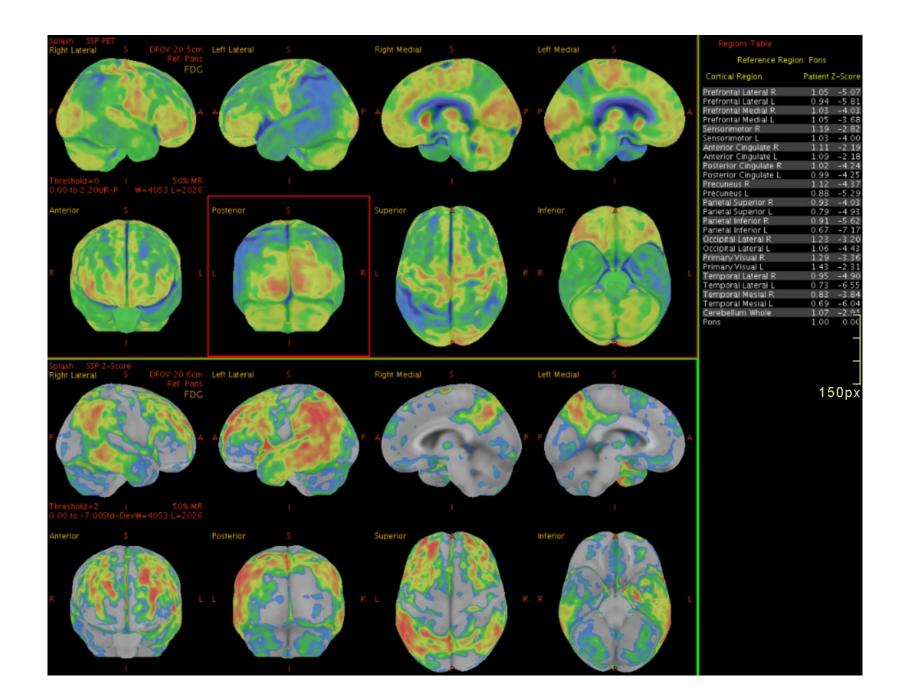


Case 2

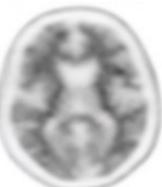
- 60y female with 8 years of progressive memory problems
- Seen by doctors elsewhere and diagnosed with dementia
- Put on rivastigmine
- Concerned that getting worse speech is dysarthric
- Also quite anxious and tearful

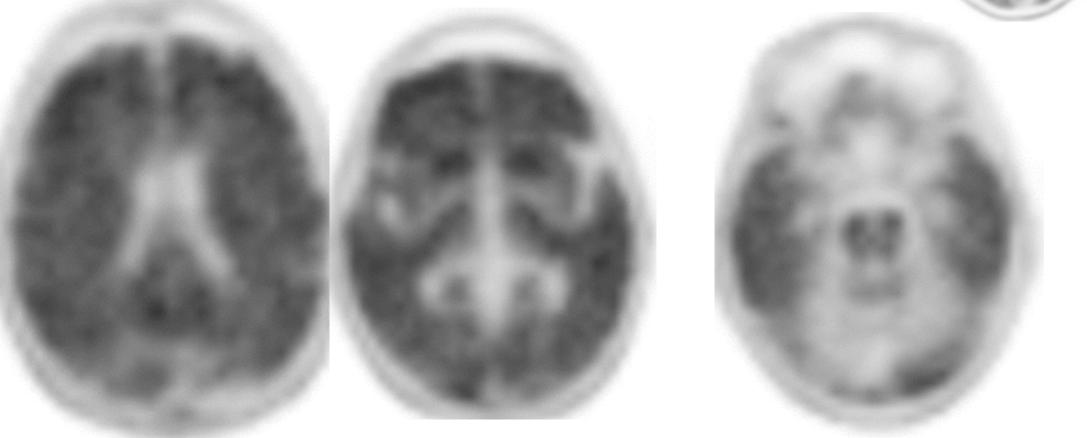






Amyloid PET

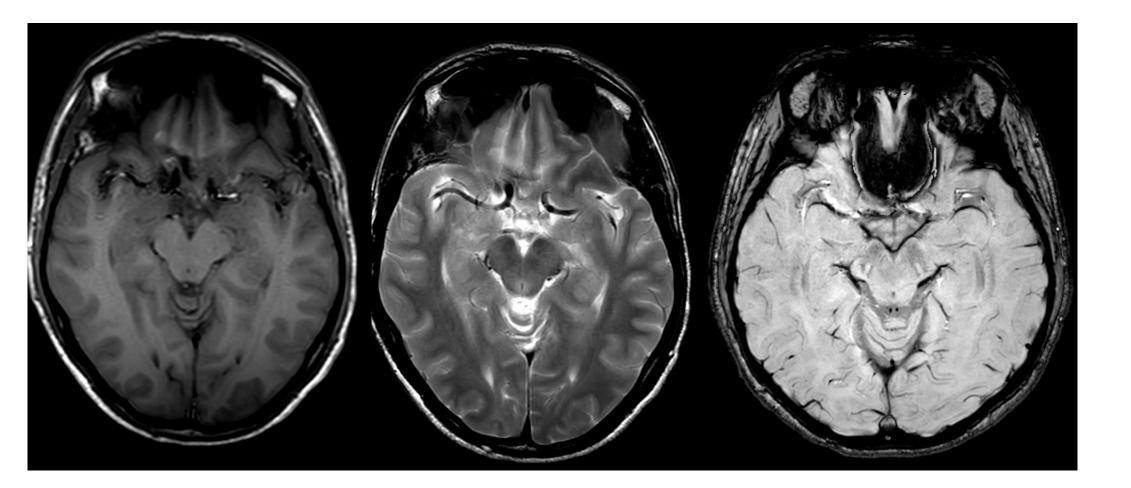


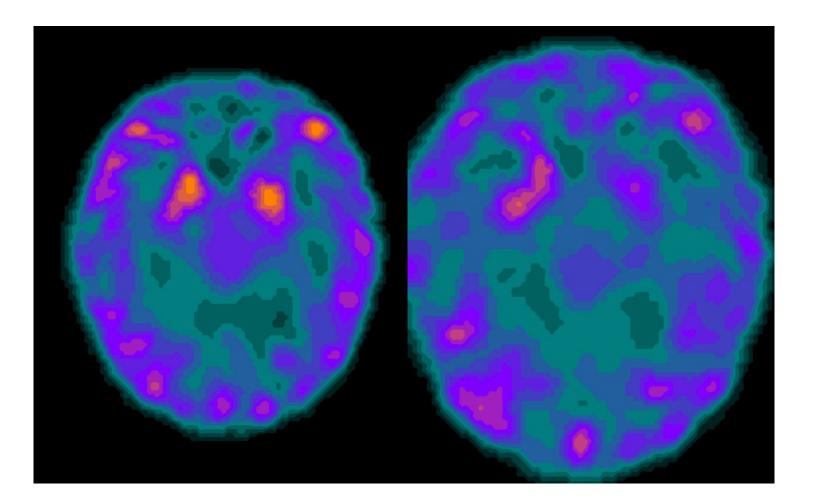


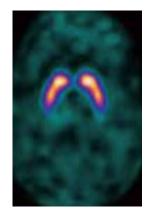
Case 3

- 35 yo nurse from Somalia
- 2 years of slowness in walking then hand tremors
- No clear diagnosis given locally
- Came for second opinion
- Clinically signs of Parkinsons disease but unclear if idiopathic
- (symmetrical tremors, lower limb>upper limb rigidity)

MRI brain



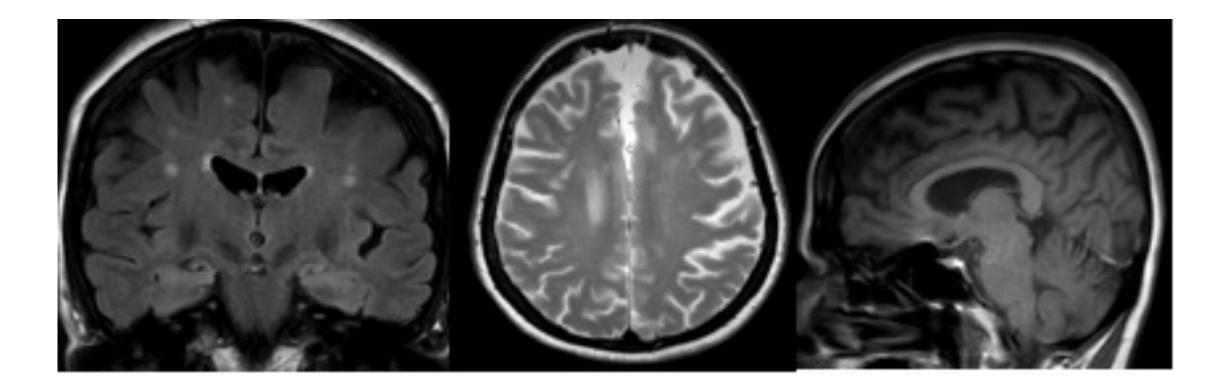


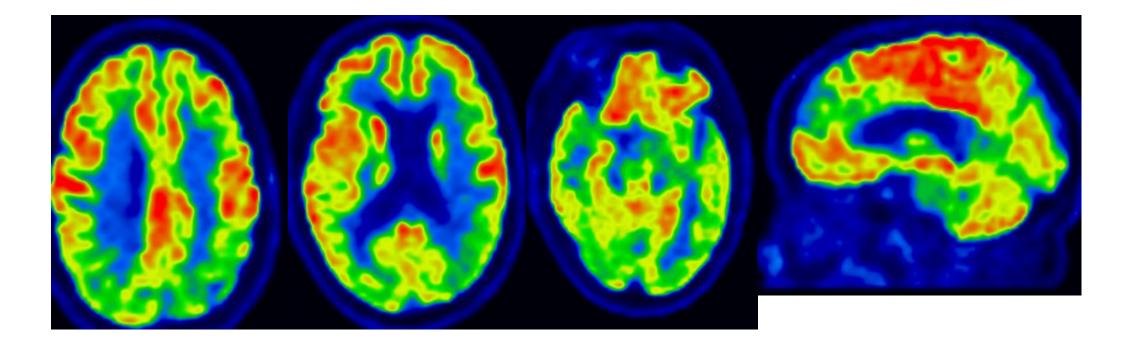


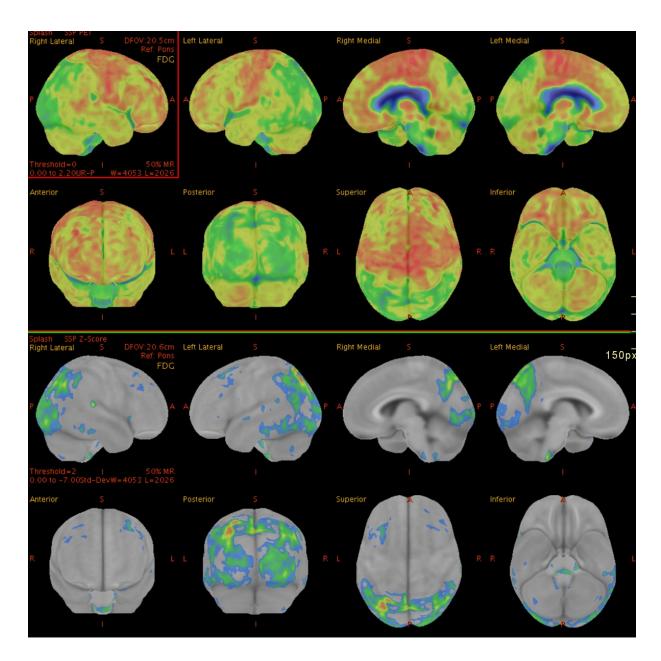
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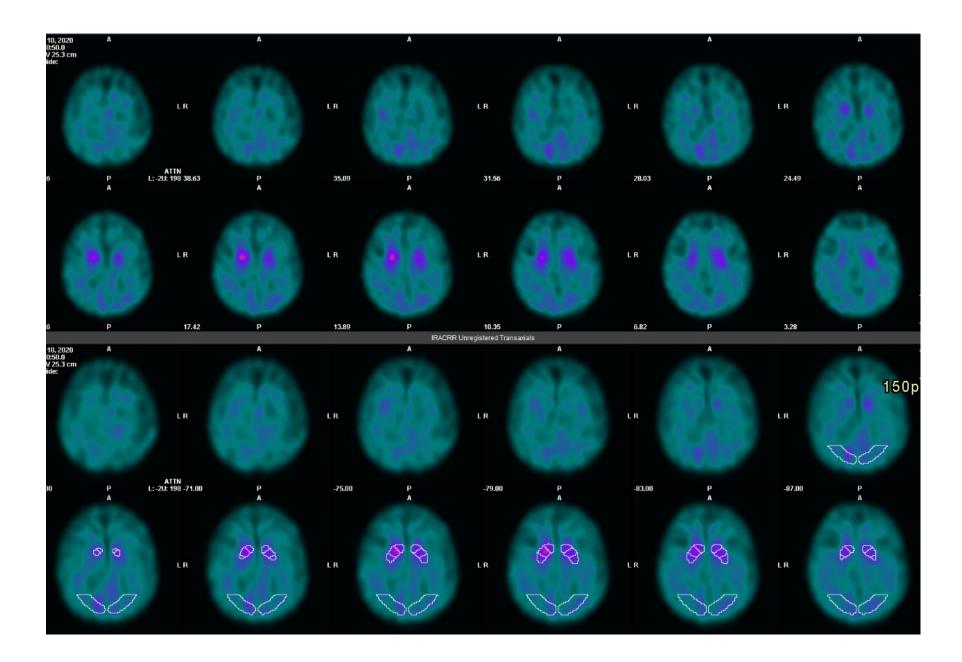
- 77 yo female with ?dementia
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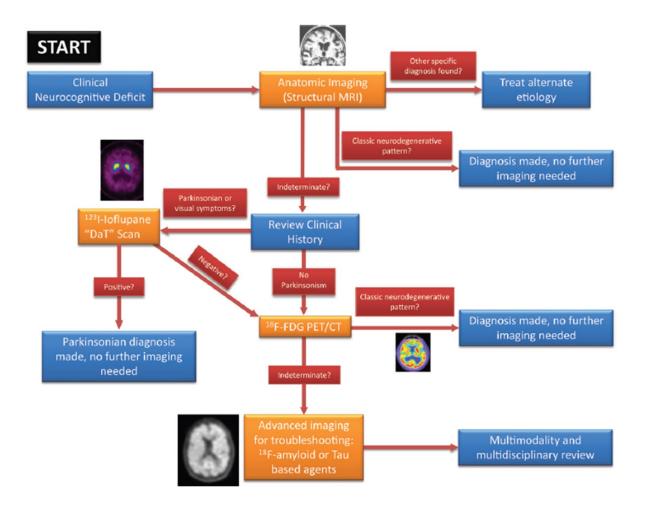








Summary







Multidisciplinary approach