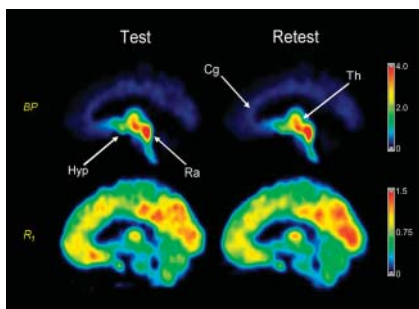


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Uren reviews the relatively brief history and current clinical significance of the sentinel lymph node biopsy technique and looks to the literature for answers to key questions about the efficacy and safety of this increasingly important approach. **Page 191**

Reilly surveys the development of pretargeting strategies using monoclonal antibodies and, previewing an article in this issue of *JNM*, outlines the promise and challenges of pretargeting using bispecific antibodies and radiolabeled haptens. **Page 196**



Meyer and colleagues assess the application of voxelwise graphical analysis to the generation of high-quality parametric images of total volume of distribution of the novel PET tracer ^{18}F -CPFPX in imaging of cerebral adenosine receptors. **Page 200**

Kim and colleagues research the reproducibility and reliability of ^{11}C -DASB parametric imaging of binding potential and relative blood flow for PET studies of serotonin transporters in humans. **Page 208**

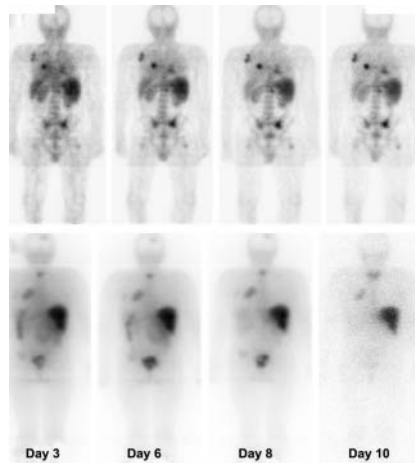
Ciarmiello and colleagues report on findings, including PET data, indicating that white-matter volume loss may precede gray-matter atrophy long before onset of clinical symptoms of Huntington's disease and that this loss may be associated with neuronal dysfunction in early disease. . . . **Page 215**

Ezziddin and colleagues explore predisposing factors for uptake of both ^{111}In -pentetretotide and $^{123}\text{I}/^{131}\text{I}$ -MIBG in scintigraphy of patients with metastatic gastroenteropancreatic endocrine tumors, with special reference to new World Health Organization tumor classifications. **Page 223**

Rossi and colleagues present findings from an observational multicenter trial of a standardized sentinel lymph node biopsy protocol in patients with primary cutaneous melanoma. **Page 234**

Fang and colleagues investigate correlations between serum interleukin-2 and tumor necrosis factor- α levels and response to $^{89}\text{SrCl}_2$ as palliative therapy in patients with painful bone metastases. **Page 242**

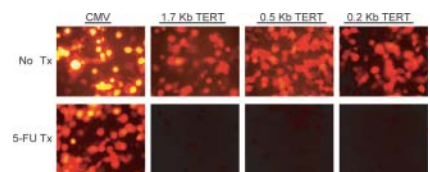
Kraeber-Bodéré and colleagues report on the results of a phase I study of the safety, targeting, and antitumor efficacy of pretargeted radioimmunotherapy using an anti-carcinoembryonic antigen bispecific antibody and a radiolabeled hapten in patients with nonmedullary or medullary thyroid carcinoma. **Page 247**



Pauleit and colleagues compare the diagnostic capabilities of ^{18}F -FET and ^{18}F -FDG PET in patients with squamous cell carcinoma of the head and neck, including the ability to differentiate between tumor and inflammation. **Page 256**

Kwee and colleagues assess ^{18}F -fluorocholine uptake in malignant and benign areas of the prostate at 2 time points to determine the suitability of delayed or dual-phase ^{18}F -fluorocholine PET for localizing malignancy. **Page 262**

Padmanabhan and colleagues evaluate radionuclide and optical methods to measure changes in human telomerase reverse transcriptase gene expression in tumor cells before and after 5-fluorouracil treatment. **Page 270**

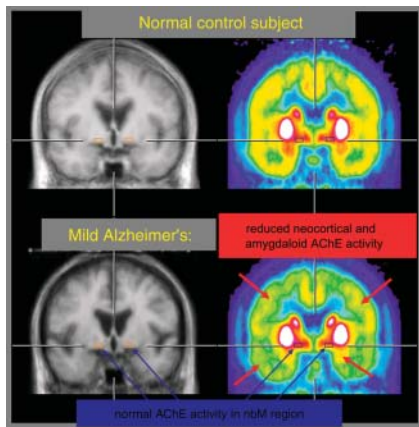


Zenz and colleagues study the incidence and clinical picture of bone marrow transplantation nephropathy in patients receiving a radiolabeled anti-CD66 antibody before allogeneic stem cell transplantation. **Page 278**

Even-Sapir and colleagues report on the comparative abilities of $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -MDP planar bone scintigraphy, SPECT, ^{18}F -fluoride PET, and ^{18}F -fluoride PET/CT in the detection of bone metastases in patients with high-risk prostate cancer. **Page 287**

Allen-Auerbach and colleagues investigate the incidence of missed pulmonary micronodules on PET/CT studies acquired during shallow breathing and discuss the implications of their findings for comprehensive cancer staging. **Page 298**

Heiss and Herholz present an in-depth review of brain receptor imaging and highlight ligands and receptors that are already in clinical use and are likely to influence new drug development and enhance highly specific neurologic imaging. **Page 302**



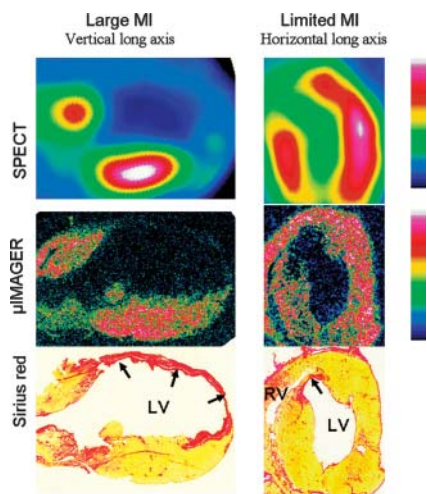
Slifstein and colleagues perform whole-body radiation dosimetry of ^{11}C -raclopride in healthy humans to derive the maximum allowable single-study dose under U.S. federal regulations and compare this to the dose range currently used in PET research studies. **Page 313**

Garcia and colleagues describe a novel system developed to assist physicians in detecting renal obstruction in patients

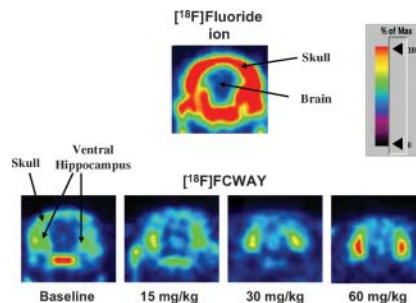
undergoing pre- and postfurosemide $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -MAG3 scanning. **Page 320**

Kim and colleagues report on a factor analysis technique for extracting blood input function and myocardial time-activity curve from dynamic small-animal PET images of the rodent heart as a method for overcoming imaging problems caused by cardiac motion. **Page 330**

Maskali and colleagues assess a novel gated SPECT imaging technique for predicting and quantifying variable left ventricular remodeling in a rat infarct model. **Page 337**



Tipre and colleagues explore in vivo inhibition of defluorination of ^{18}F -FCWAY in a rat model to improve use of the tracer in PET assessment of brain regional 5-HT $_{1A}$ receptor densities. . . . **Page 345**



Gunn and colleagues investigate whether somatostatin receptor (sst) gene expression is upregulated in vitro by exposure of sst-expressing cells to low- or high-dose octreotide therapy over varying times. **Page 354**

Liu and colleagues detail initial studies of the mechanism of intracellular antisense targeting through measurements of in situ transcription, immunofluorescence, reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction, ^{32}P -labeled uridine-5'-triphosphate incorporation, accumulations of $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ -labeled DNAs, and messenger RNA transcription. **Page 360**

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In this illustration of the possible effect of different numbers of radiotracer injections (X) on the outcome of lymphoscintigraphy, arrows represent lymphatic flow. A single injection (left) might enter only central lymphatic vessels, missing those potentially containing malignant cells. Moreover, the large volume of tracer used might cause nonsentinel nodes to be detected. Multiple injections (right) might enter peripheral lymphatic vessels and thus detect sentinel nodes containing metastatic melanoma cells. Moreover, the small volume of tracer used might help to avoid detection of second-tier nodes.

