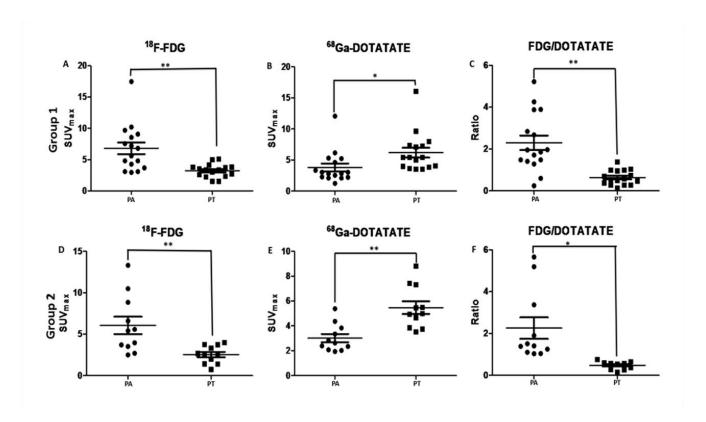


Supplemental Fig. 1 MRI and ¹⁸F-FDG/⁶⁸Ga-DOTATATE PET/MR images of a 50-year-old woman with elevated ACTH levels 3 months after removal of an ACTH-secreting pituitary adenoma (patient No. 25 in Table 1). The MRI images showed only post-surgery changes (A-D: T1 coronal, T2 coronal, enhanced T1 coronal and sagittal views). The PET/MR images clearly showed an ¹⁸F-FDG avid lesion (arrow) at the left side of the sella turcica (E-H: coronal view, coronal fusion, sagittal view and sagittal fusion), with lower ⁶⁸Ga-DOTATATE uptake than the remain pituitary tissue at the center region (triangle) (I-L: coronal view, coronal fusion, sagittal view and sagittal fusion). The follow-up surgery confirmed a left side recurrent functional pituitary adenoma (4 × 3 × 3 mm³) with positive ACTH stain



Supplemental Fig. 2 Comparison of 18 F-FDG (A, D) and 68 Ga-DOTATATE(B, E) uptake levels, and 18 F-FDG over 68 Ga-DOTATATE uptake ratio (C, F) between pituitary adenoma and pituitary tissue. Group 1: Undiagnosable primary pituitary adenoma patients (n = 16); Group 2: Recurrent pituitary adenoma patients (n = 11). PA: pituitary adenoma; PT: pituitary tissue; *: P < 0.05; **: P < 0.01