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1. Use of Prostate Specific Membrane Antigen together with PET/CT Scan

Title: Outcome after PSMA PET/CT based radiotherapy in patients with biochemical cancer persistence or recurrence after radical prostatectomy:

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5833127/

This technology is used for identifying soft tissue tumours such as in lymph nodes. PSMA PET/CT visualises prostate cancer residual disease or recurrence at lower PSA levels compared to conventional imaging and results in a change of treatment in a remarkably high number of patients.

Currently, there is a BC Cancer trial in progress as well. The purpose of this study (at BC Cancer) is to compare the accuracy, sensitivity and specificity of 18F-NaF imaging to 99mTc-MDP bone SPECT imaging for bone metastasis detection. As well as evaluate the short-term undesirable side effects.

2. Use of PSMA/PET-CT Scan with Lutetium 177. Currently, Lu-177 with PSMA-617 has been found to be highly promising for treatment of advanced stage prostate cancer in clinical trial.

Title: Clinical trial finds strong promise for new treatment that targets radiation directly to prostate cancer

https://www.pcf.org/news/clinical-trial-finds-strong-promise-new-treatment-targets-radiation-directly-prostate-cancer/

3. Updated Prostate Cancer Screening Guidelines

Title: Prostate Cancer Foundation Statement on U.S. Preventive Services Task Force Prostate Screening Guidelines

https://www.pcf.org/news/pcf-statement-on-2018-uspstf-final-recommendation-on-prostate-cancer-screening/

4. Title: Why Cleveland Clinic, Kaiser are touting group appointments for patients with prostate cancer instead of one on one appointments with urologist or oncologist.

https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/quality/why-cleveland-clinic-kaiser-are-touting-group-appointments-for-patients.html