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^{18}F -FDG PET

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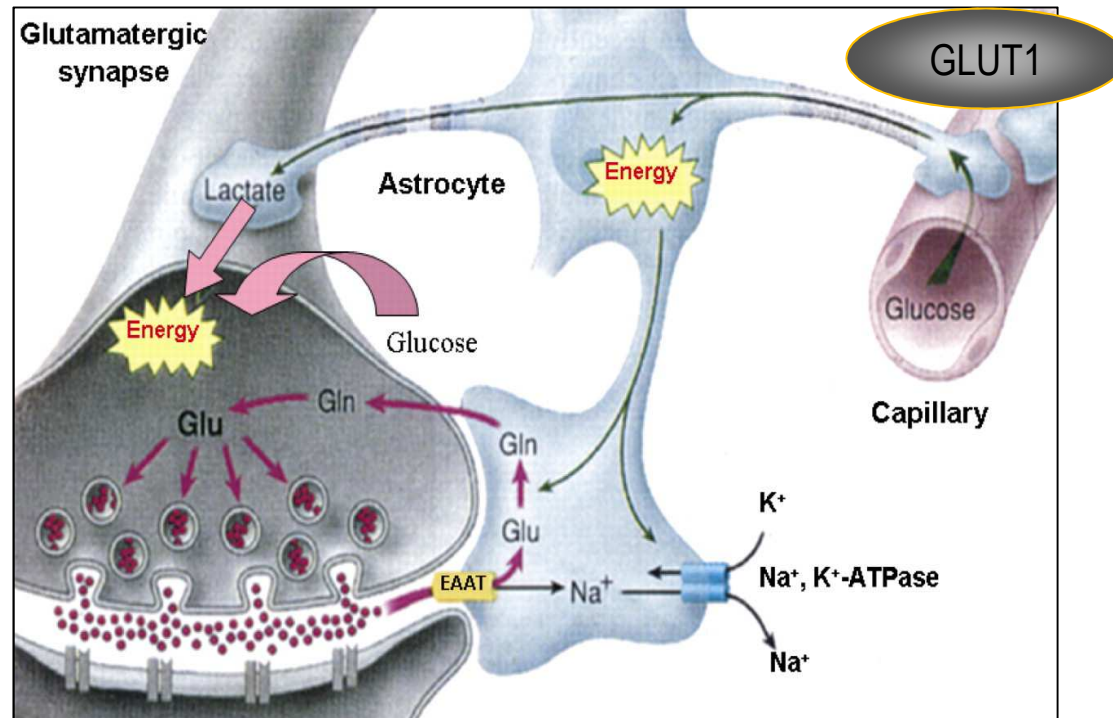
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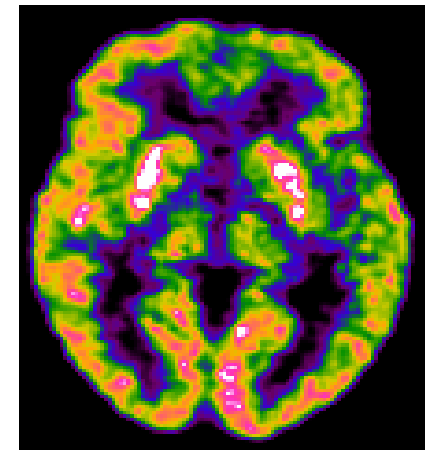
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Magistretti P J , Pellerin L Physiology 1999



In AD synaptic degeneration precedes neuronal death for a substantial period of time

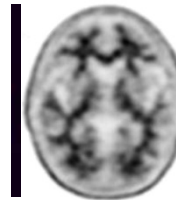
Price et al Ann Neurol 1999



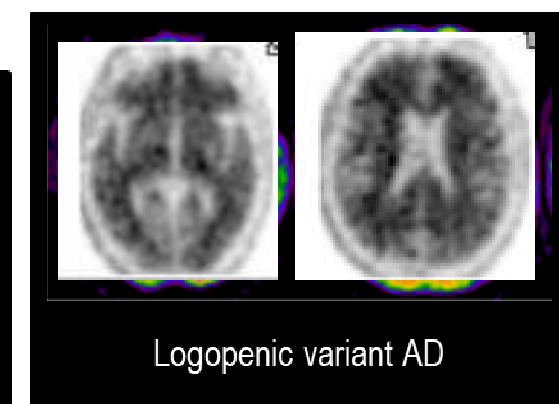
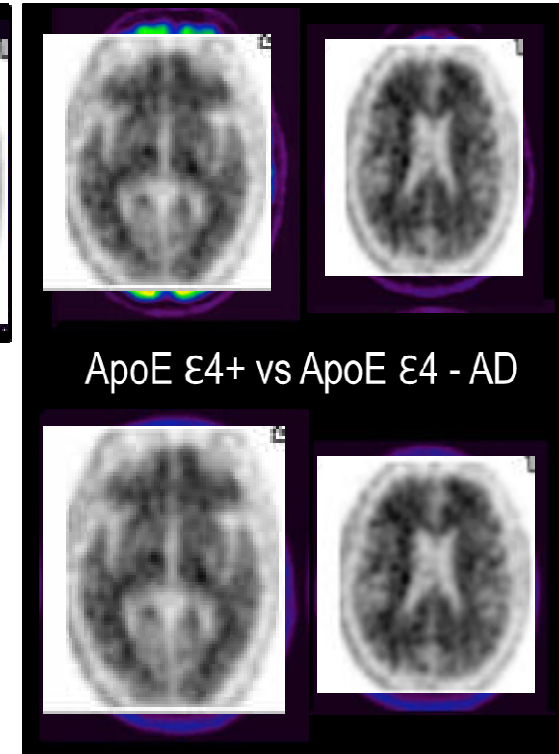
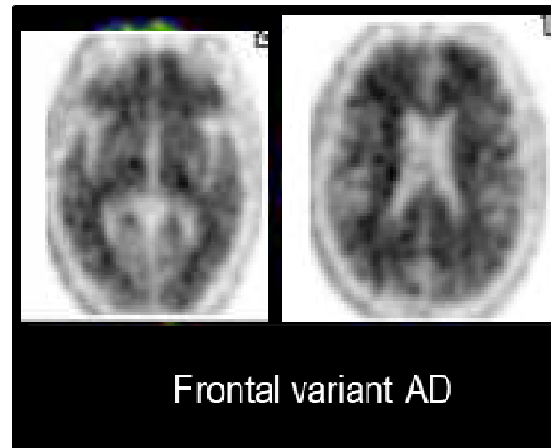
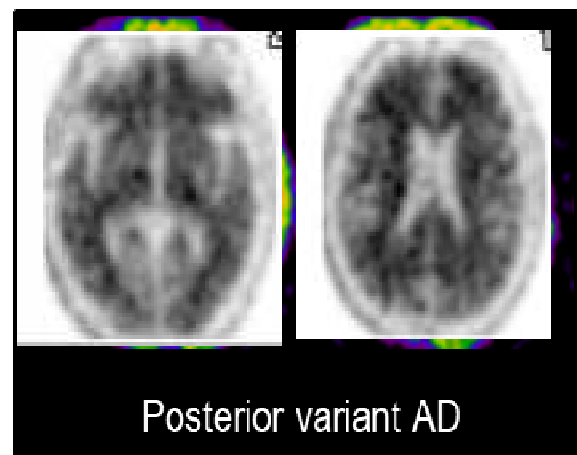
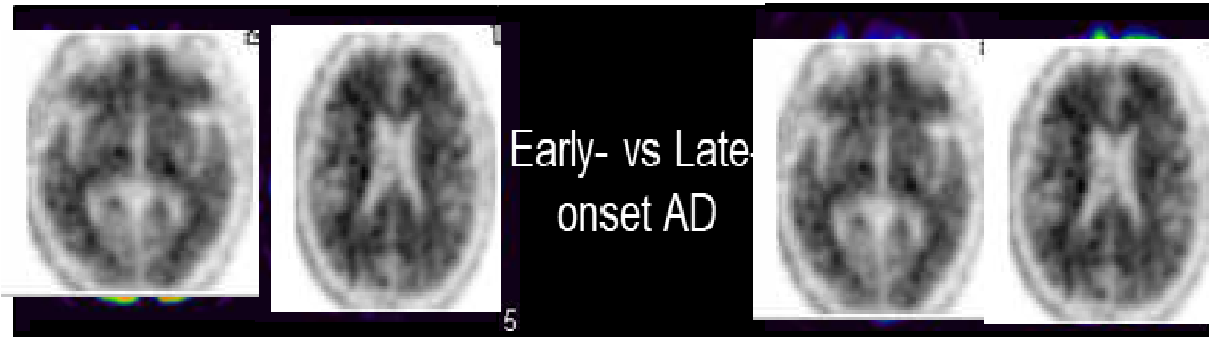
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Healthy control

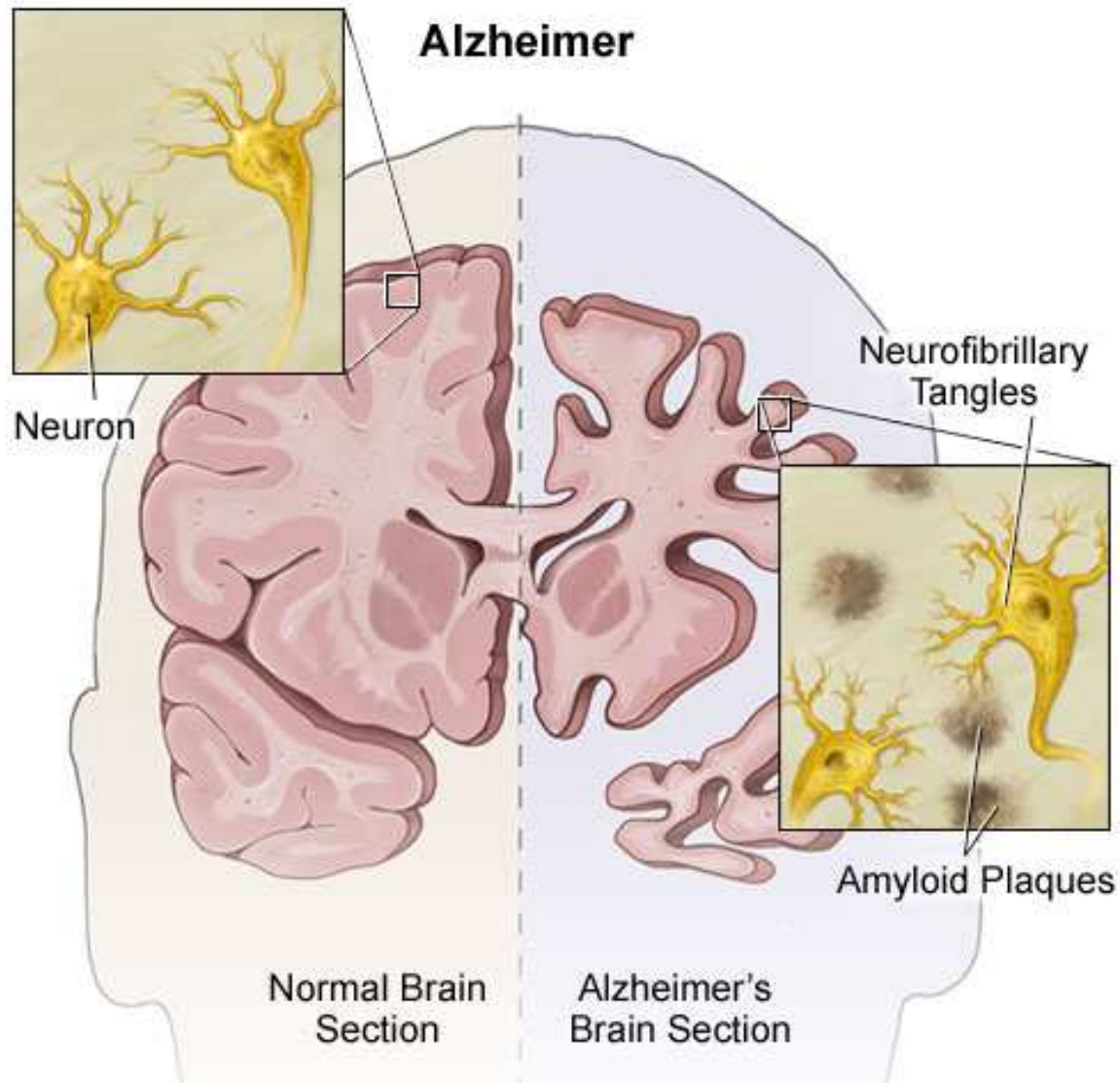




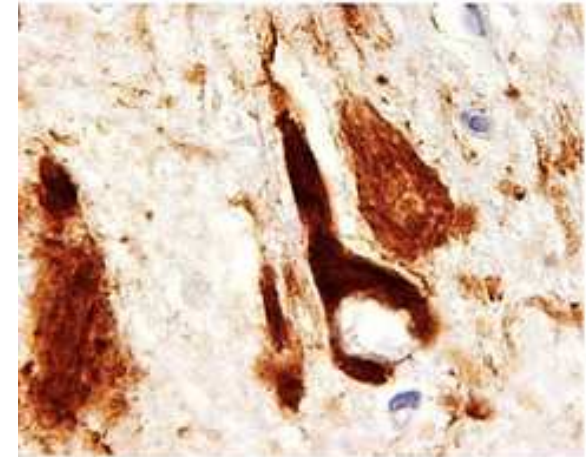
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Neurofibrillary Tangles



TAU PET tracers:

^8F -AV-1451

^{18}F -THK5351

^{11}C -PBB3

^{18}F -MK-6240

^{18}F -RO6958948

^{18}F -PI-2620

^{18}F -JNJ64349311



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Tau PET patterns mirror clinical and neuroanatomical variability in Alzheimer's disease

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20 probable AD / MCI due to AD

- 7 PCA
- 5 logopenic variant PPA
- 5 amnestic MCI
- 1 corticobasal syndrome
- 1 behavioural/dysexecutive variant
- 1 patient 'non-amnestic'

15 Amyloid negative cognitively normal subjects

MRI

^{18}F -FDG

^{11}C -PiB

^{18}F -AV1451 (Tau tracer)

ApoE genotype

Neuropsychological testing

Study of the Tau tracer uptake in:

- clinical variants of Alzheimer's disease
- early-onset versus late-onset Alzheimer's disease
- APOE e4 carriers versus noncarriers;

Assessment of the correlation between Tau tracer retention and neuropsychological profile.



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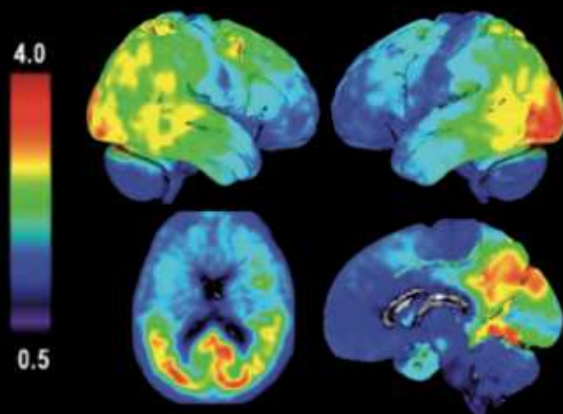
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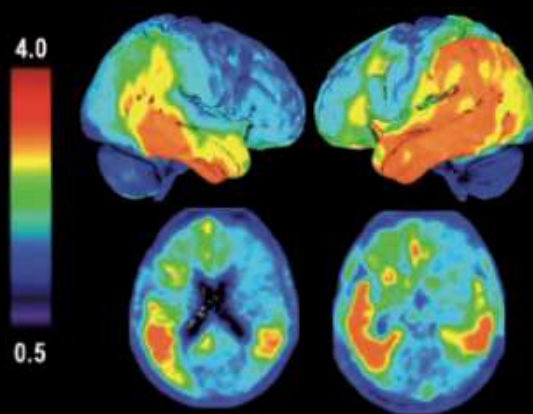
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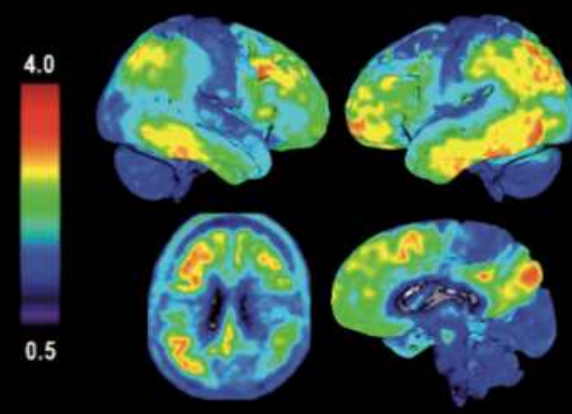
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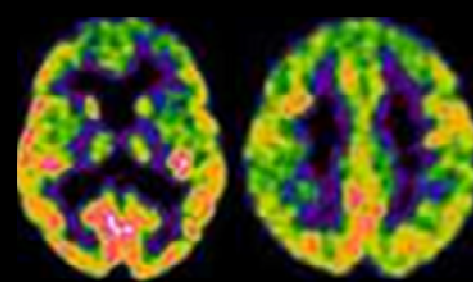
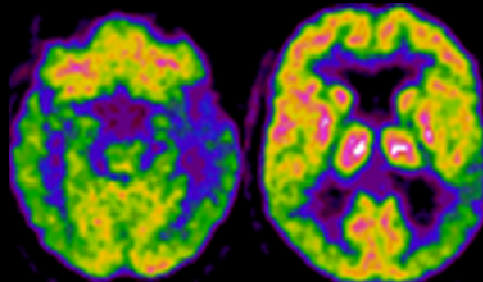
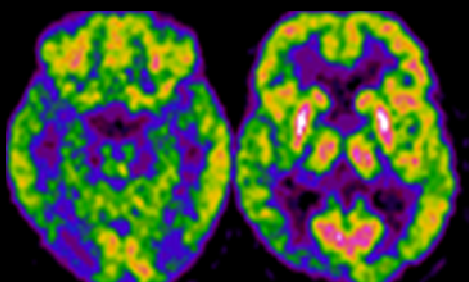
Logopenic Variant PPA



Behavioural/dysexecutive Variant



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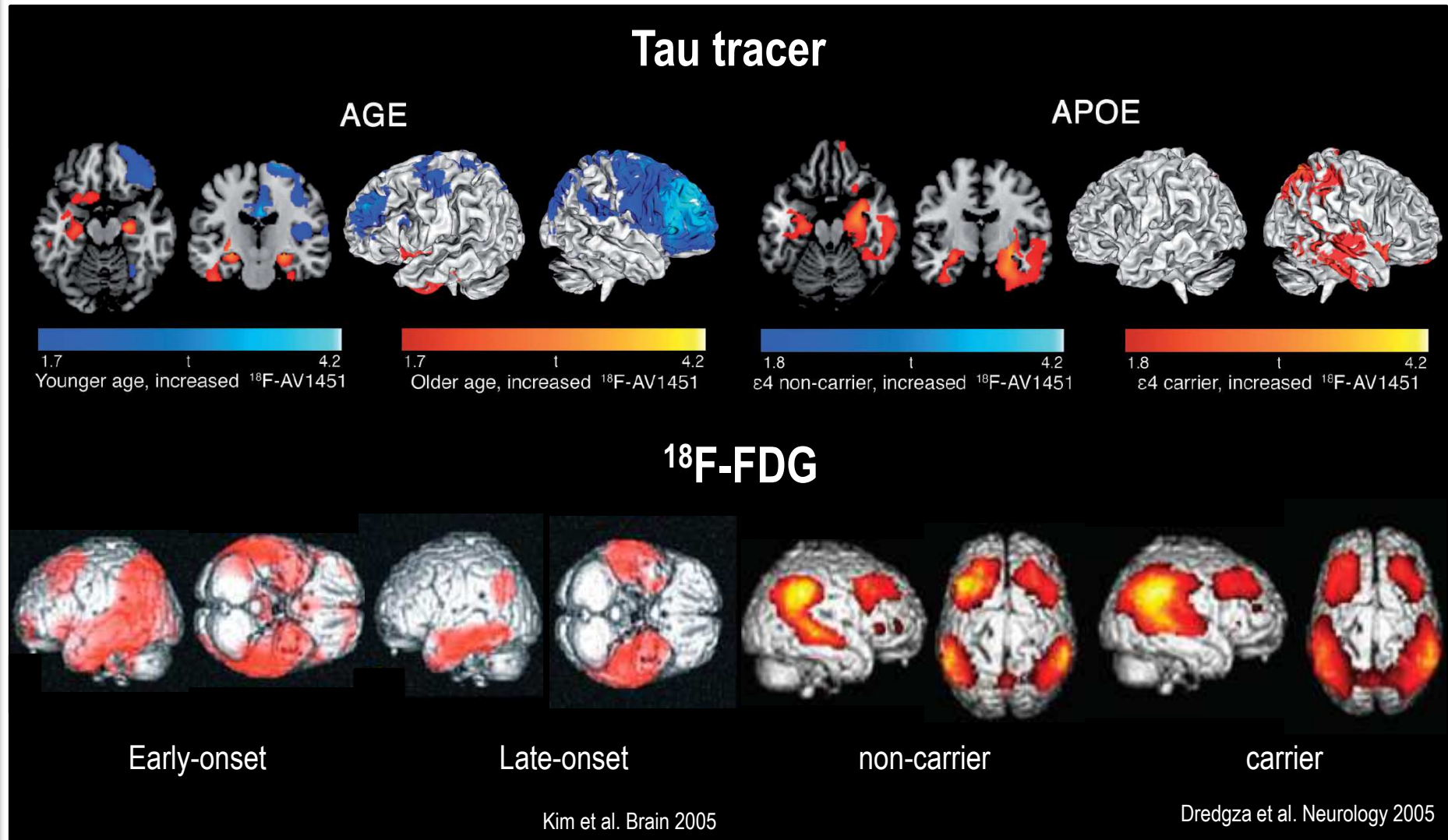
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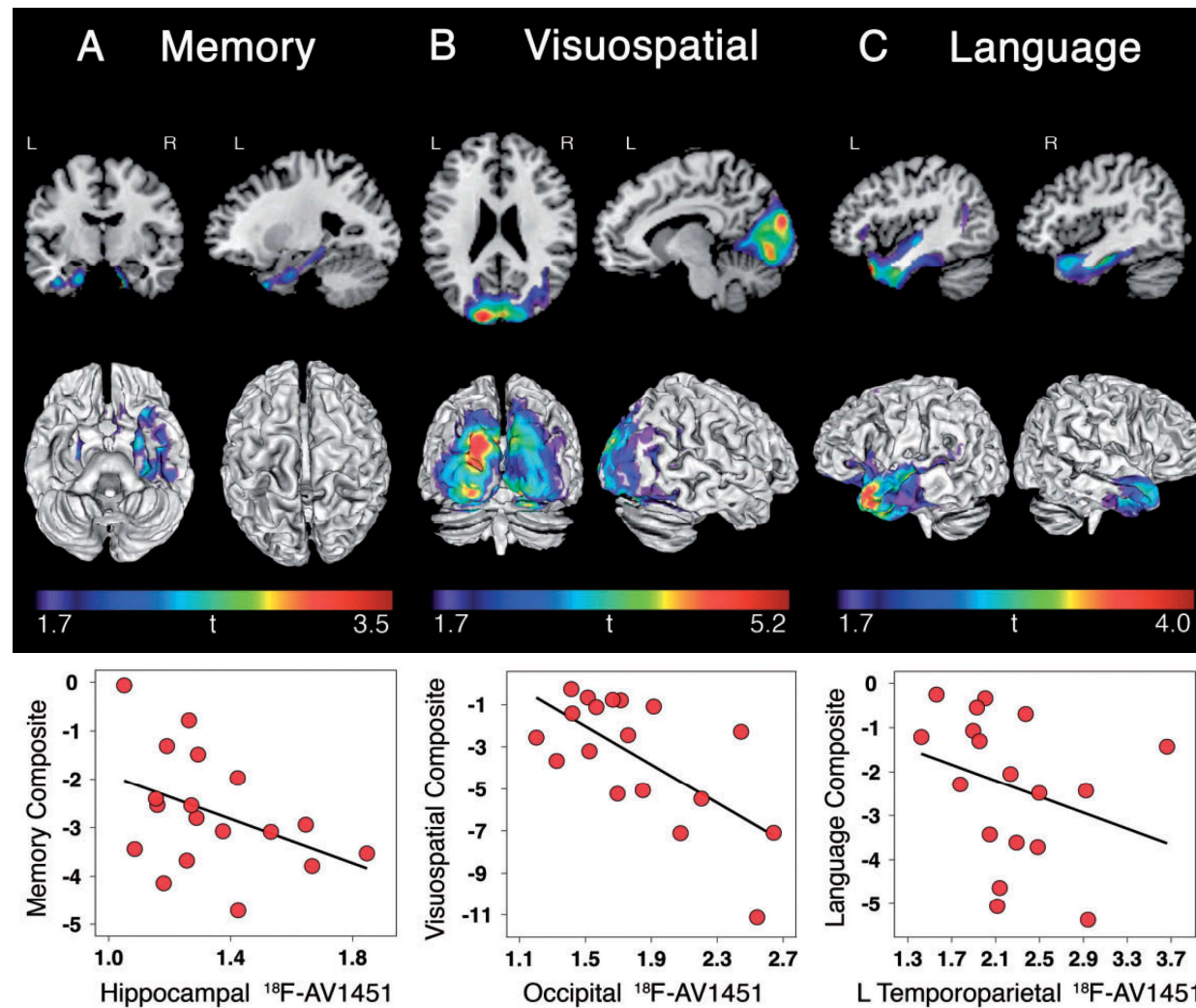
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Association between
Tau tracer uptake and
cognitive performance.

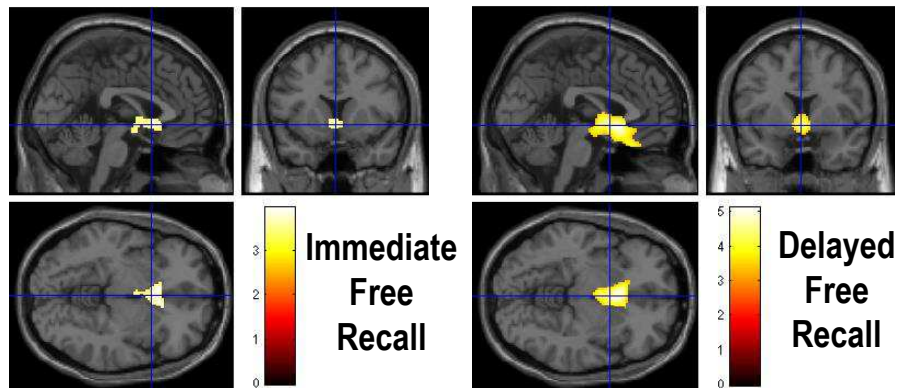


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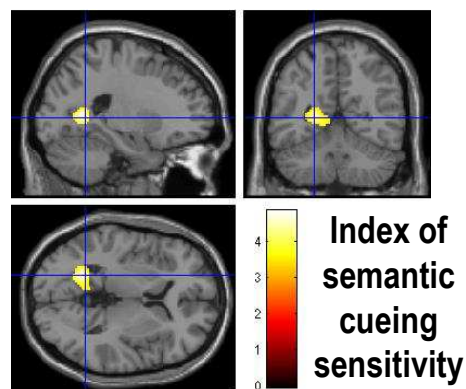
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Brain Metabolism Correlates of The Free and Cued Selective Reminding Test in Mild Cognitive Impairment



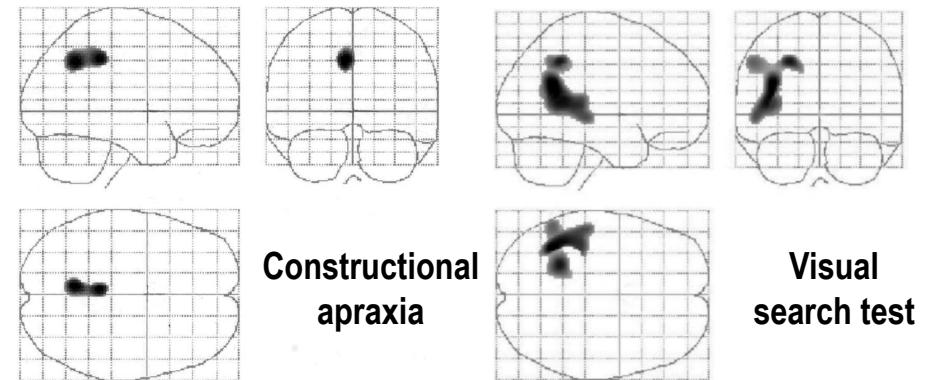
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Medio-frontal*



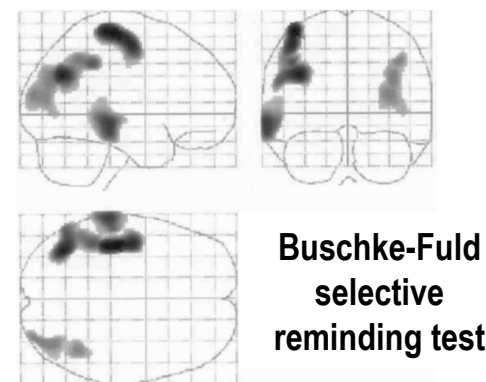
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Resting SPECT-neuropsychology correlation in very mild Alzheimer's disease



Posterior cingulate and precuneus

L par precuneus and sup temp gyrus.



L post-central gyrus, par precuneus, inf par lobule and mid temp gyrus. R mid temp and mid occip gyri.

Caffarra P et al. JAD 2016

Nobili F et al. Clin Neurophysiol 2005



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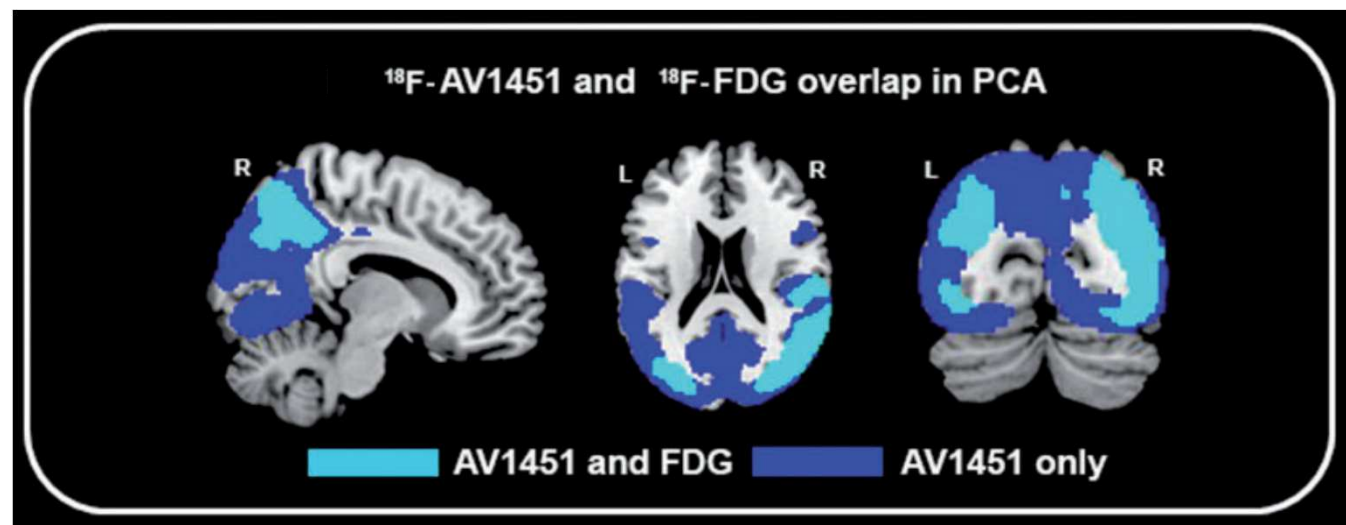
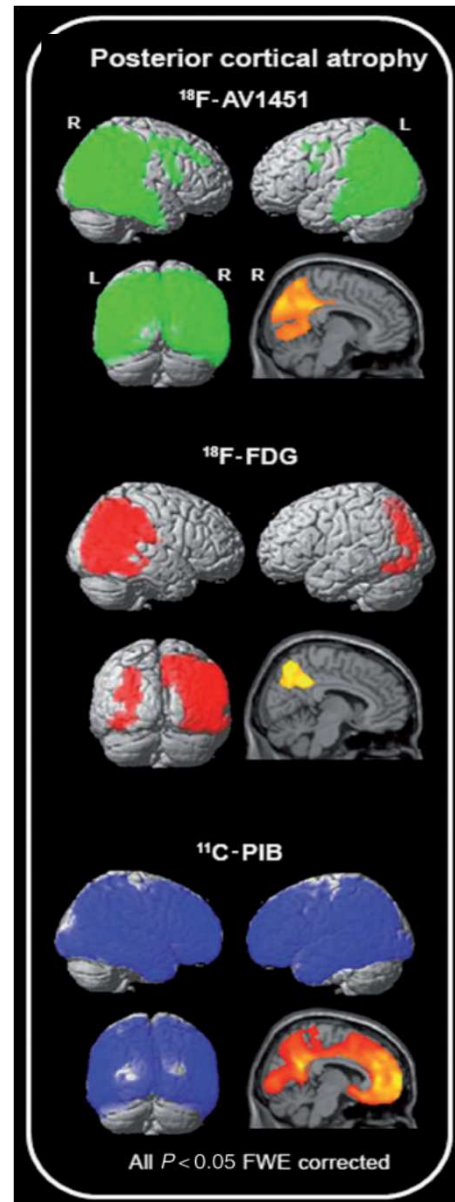
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Spatial overlap between Tau tracer and ^{18}F -FDG in PCA

Tau tracer accumulation was elevated in several brain regions where ^{18}F -FDG uptake did not differ from controls.

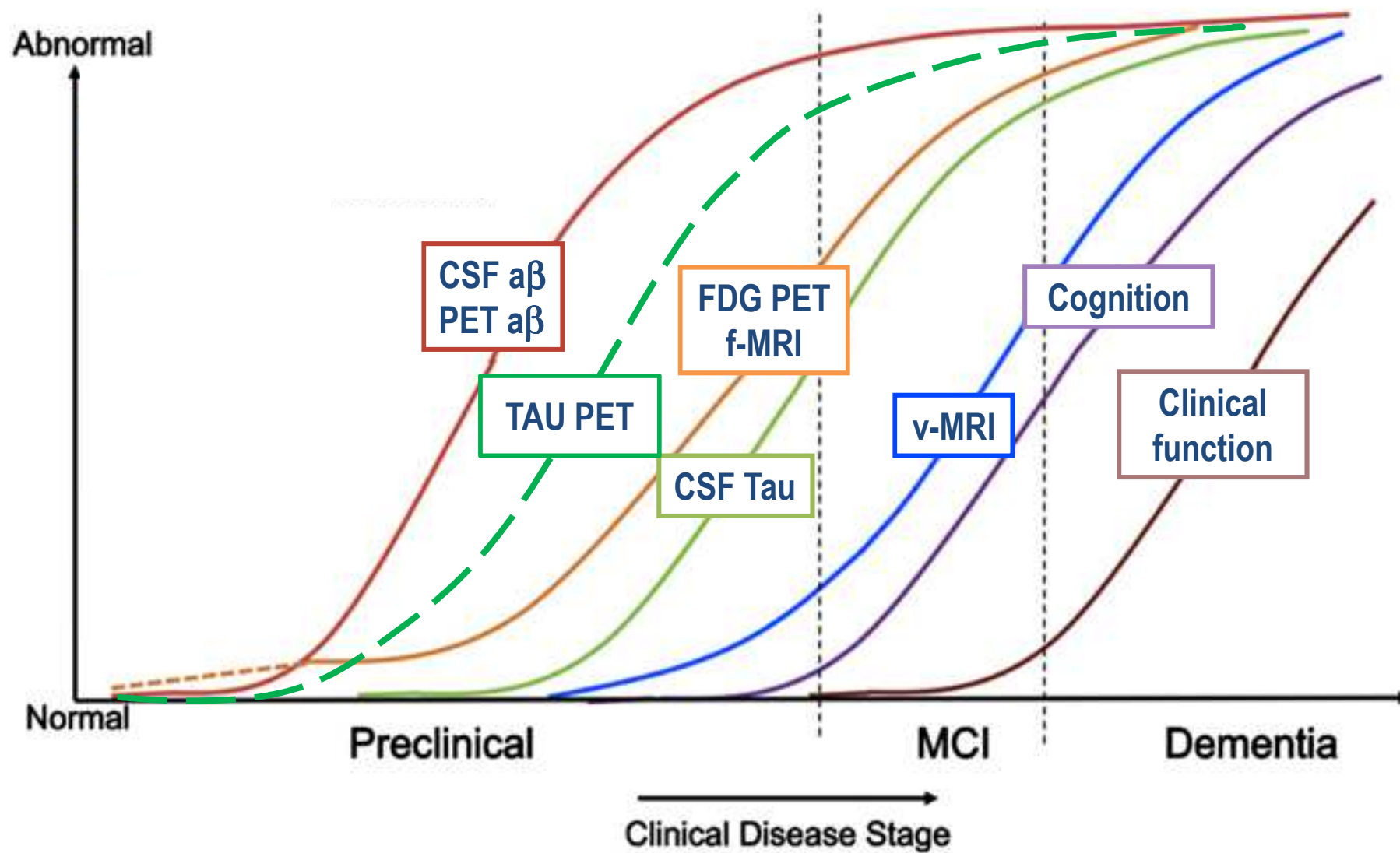




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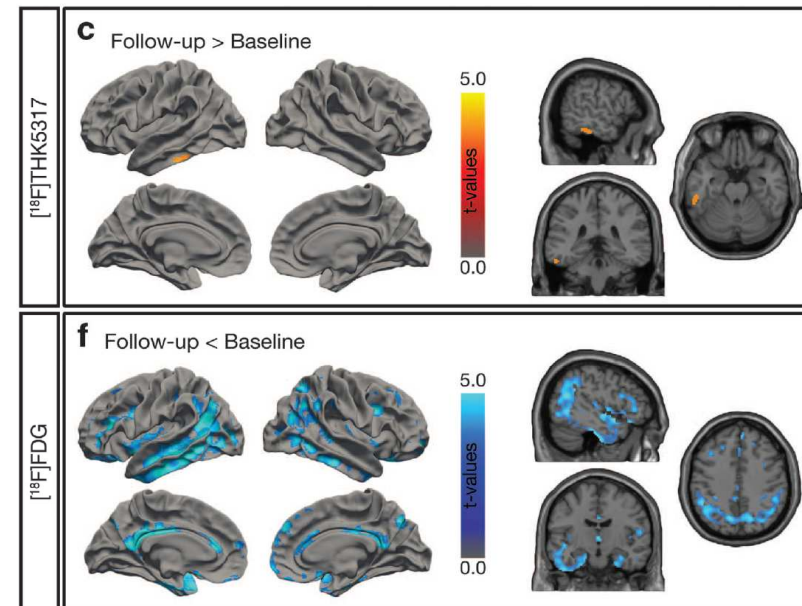
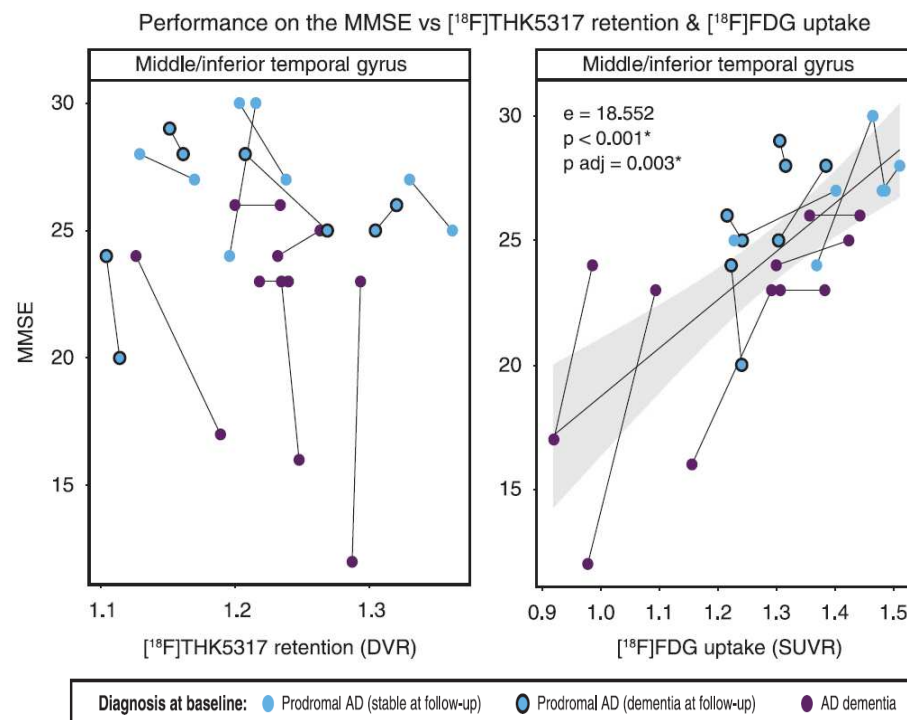
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TAU, FDG and clinical progression

Longitudinal, multimodal follow-up study after a median of 17 months from baseline in 18 AD (prodromal or dementia) patients.

Patients with AD showed **unchanged Tau tracer retention over time**, in contrast to **significant decreases in FDG uptake in temporoparietal areas**.



Global cognition decline correlated with decreased FDG uptake but not with changes in Tau tracer retention over time.

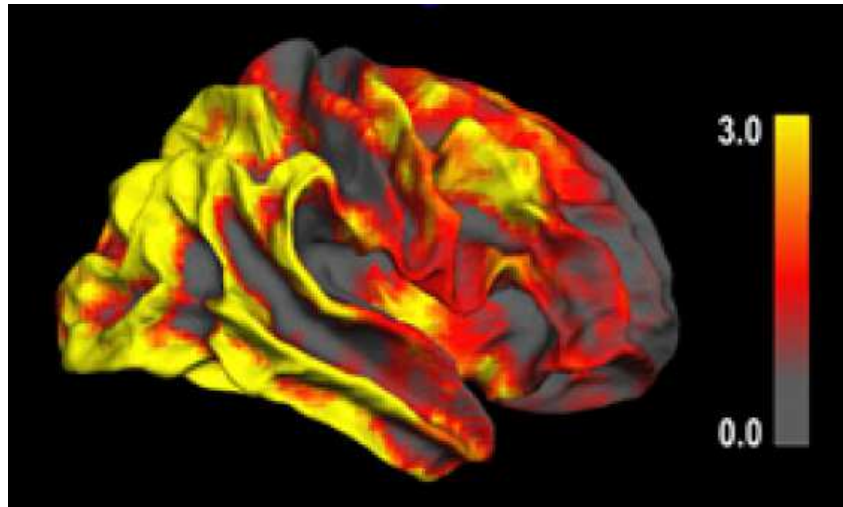


HOT TOPICS

Is Tau Imaging More Than Just Upside-Down ^{18}F -FDG Imaging?

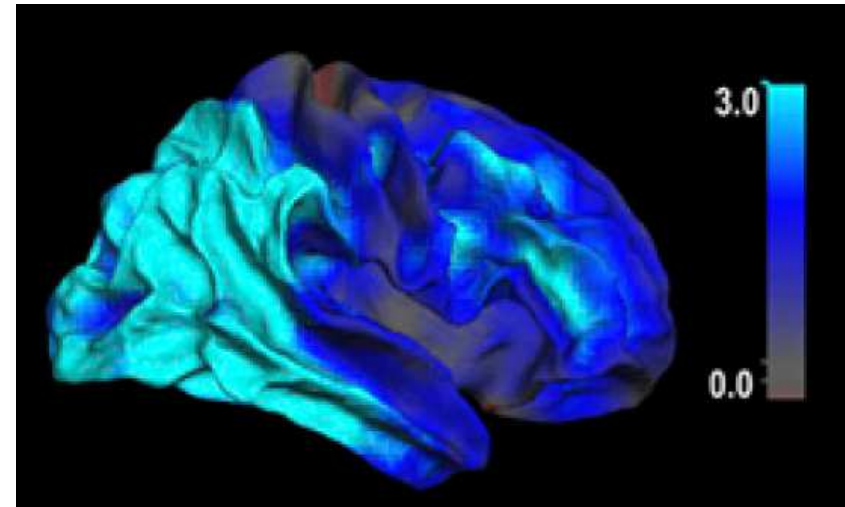
Thilo van Eimeren, Gérard N. Bischof and Alexander Drzezga

TAU tracers



Precede and magnify ipometabolism
Differential diagnosis with non tauopathies
More direct surrogate endpoint for clinical trials

FDG



Clinical validation and standardization
High availability
Low costs
Better assessment of disease progression?



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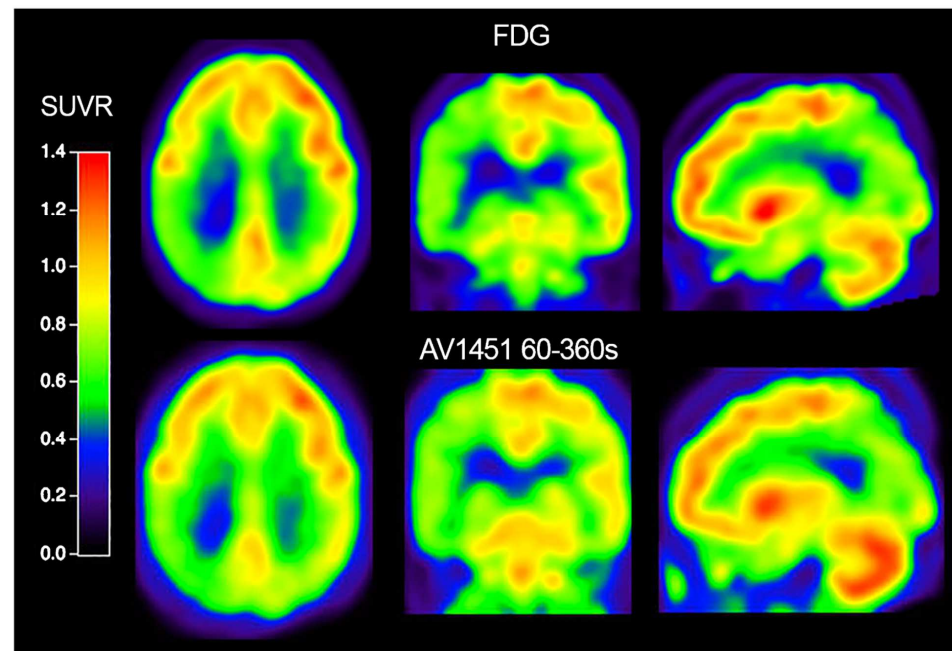
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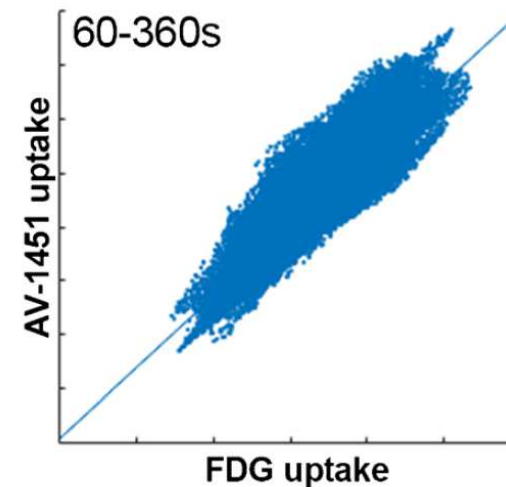
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Multimodal correlation of dynamic [^{18}F]-AV-1451 perfusion PET and neuronal hypometabolism in [^{18}F]-FDG PET

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Voxel-wise Intra-subject correlations in an exemplary patient with suspected AD



Perfusion imaging with AV-1451 might be a valid biomarker for assessment of neuronal dysfunction in neurodegenerative diseases.

Routine acquisition of early AV-1451 images might spare additional FDG PET?

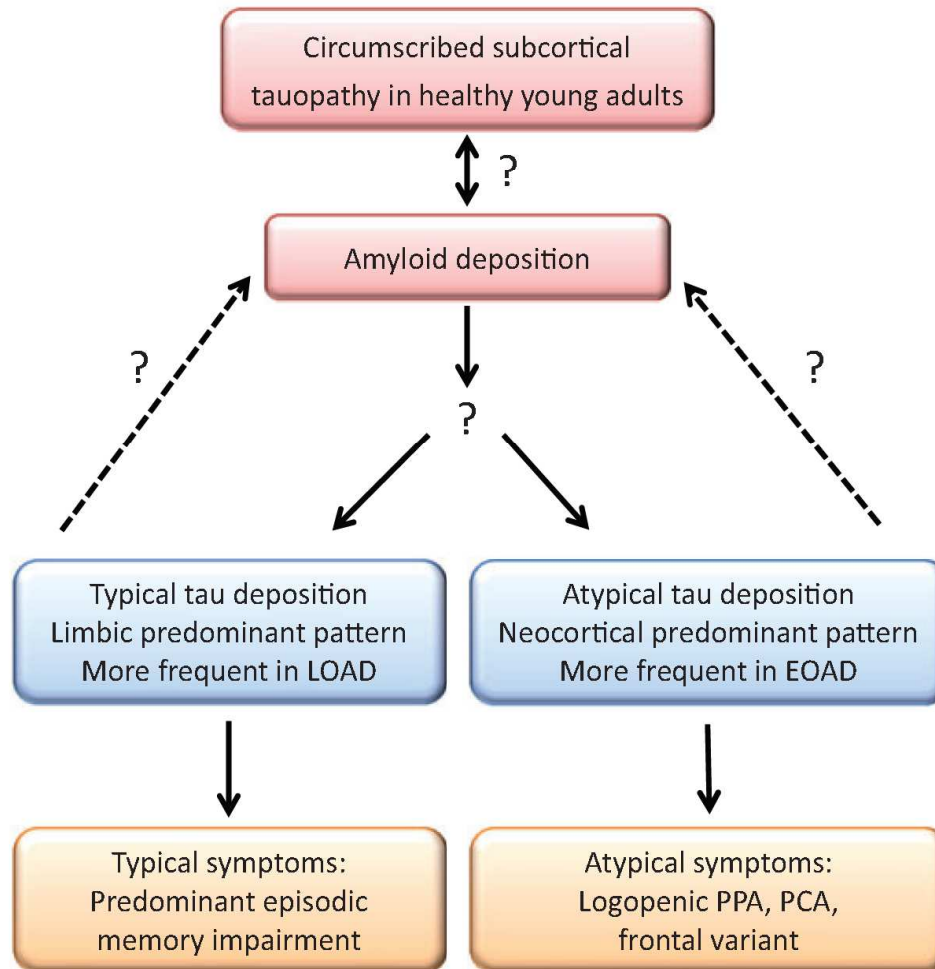


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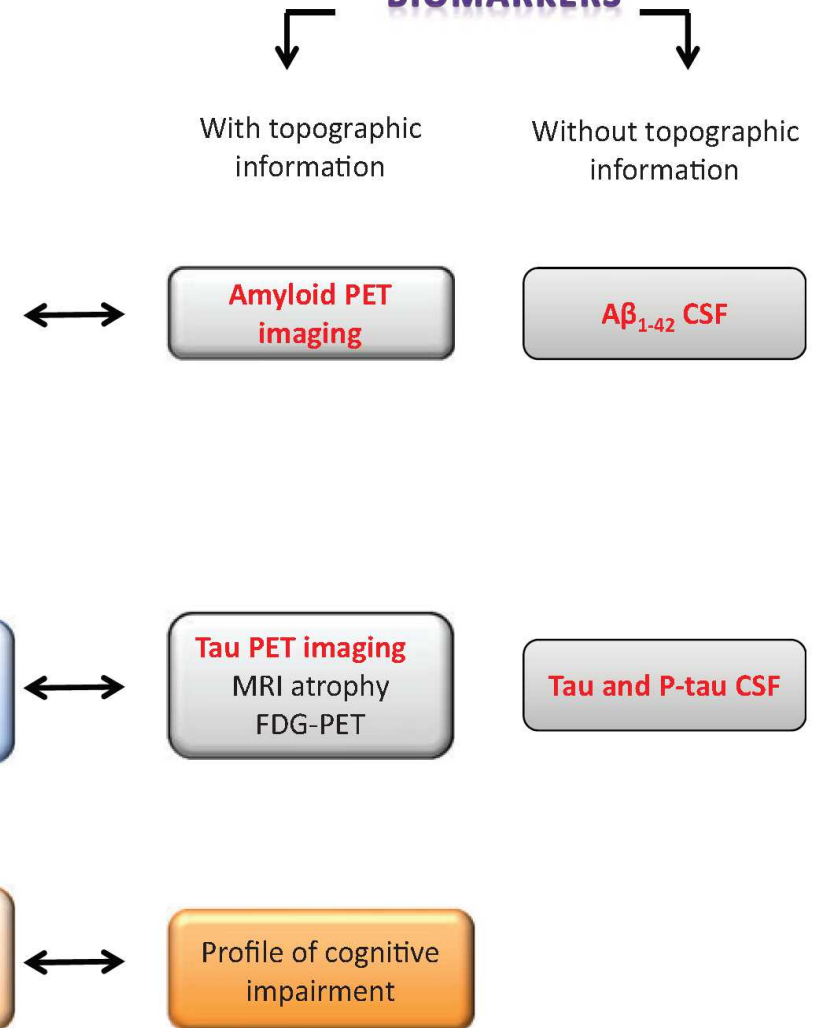
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PATHOPHYSIOLOGICAL MODELS



BIOMARKERS





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IWG-1



IWG-2

Panel 2: Diagnostic criteria for AD

Probable AD: A plus one or more supportive features B, C, D, or E

Core diagnostic criteria

A. Presence of an early and significant episodic memory impairment that includes the following features:

1. Gradual and progressive change in memory function reported by patients or informants over more than 6 months
2. Objective evidence of significantly impaired episodic memory on testing: this generally consists of recall deficit that does not improve significantly or does not normalise with cueing or recognition testing and after effective encoding of information has been previously controlled
3. The episodic memory impairment can be isolated or associated with other cognitive changes at the onset of AD or as AD advances

Supportive features

- B. Presence of medial temporal lobe atrophy
- Volume loss of hippocampi, entorhinal cortex, amygdala evidenced on MRI with qualitative ratings using visual scoring (referenced to well characterised population with age norms) or quantitative volumetry of regions of interest (referenced to well characterised population with age norms)
- C. Abnormal cerebrospinal fluid biomarker
- Low amyloid β_{1-42} concentrations, increased total tau concentrations, or increased phospho-tau concentrations, or combinations of the three
 - Other well validated markers to be discovered in the future
- D. Specific pattern on functional neuroimaging with PET
- Reduced glucose metabolism in bilateral temporal parietal regions
 - Other well validated ligands, including those that foreseeably will emerge such as Pittsburgh compound B or FDDNP
- E. Proven AD autosomal dominant mutation within the immediate family

Lancet Neurol 2007;6:734-46

Panel 5: Definition of AD biomarkers

Diagnostic marker **Amyloidosis**

- Pathophysiological marker
- Reflects in-vivo pathology
- Is present at all stages of the disease
- Observable even in the asymptomatic state
- Might not be correlated with clinical severity
- Indicated for inclusion in protocols of clinical trials

Progression marker **Neurodegeneration**

- Topographical or downstream marker
- Poor disease specificity
- Indicates clinical severity (staging marker)
- Might not be present in early stages
- Quantifies time to disease milestones **FDG-PET**
- Indicated for disease progression **MRI**

Neurodegeneration Biomarkers
may be able to quantify time to
disease milestones

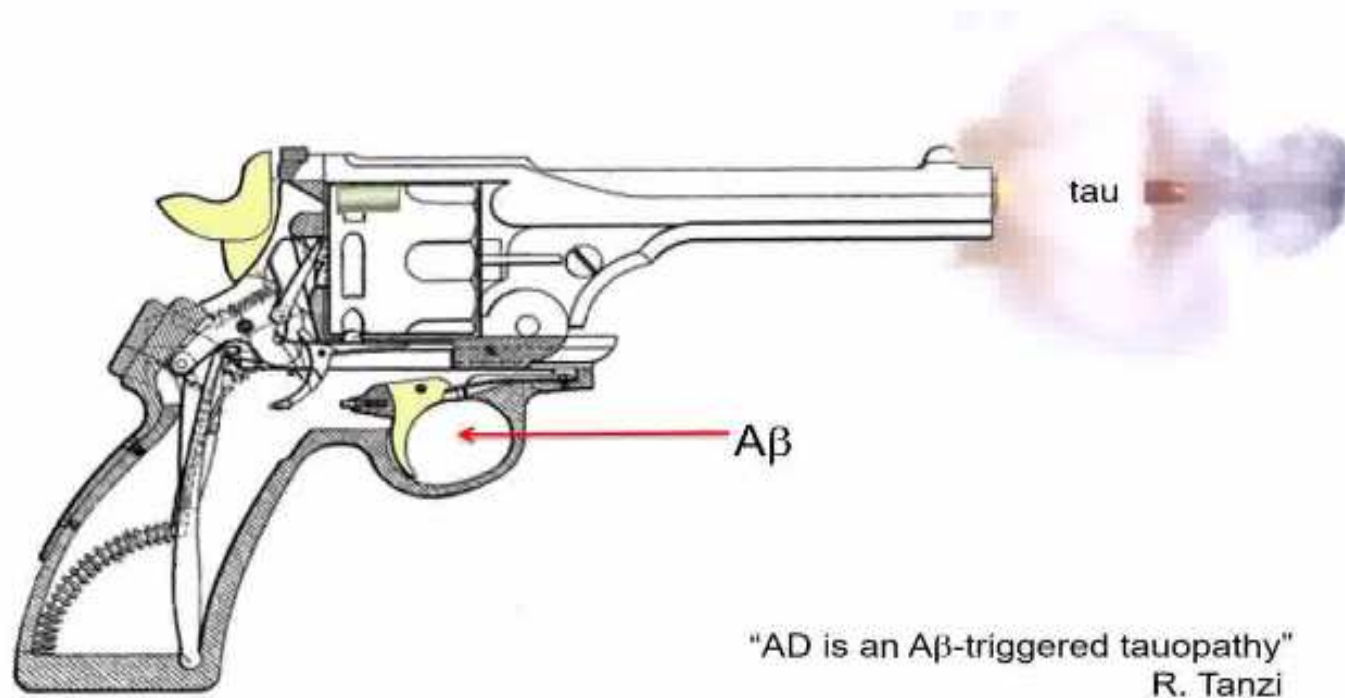
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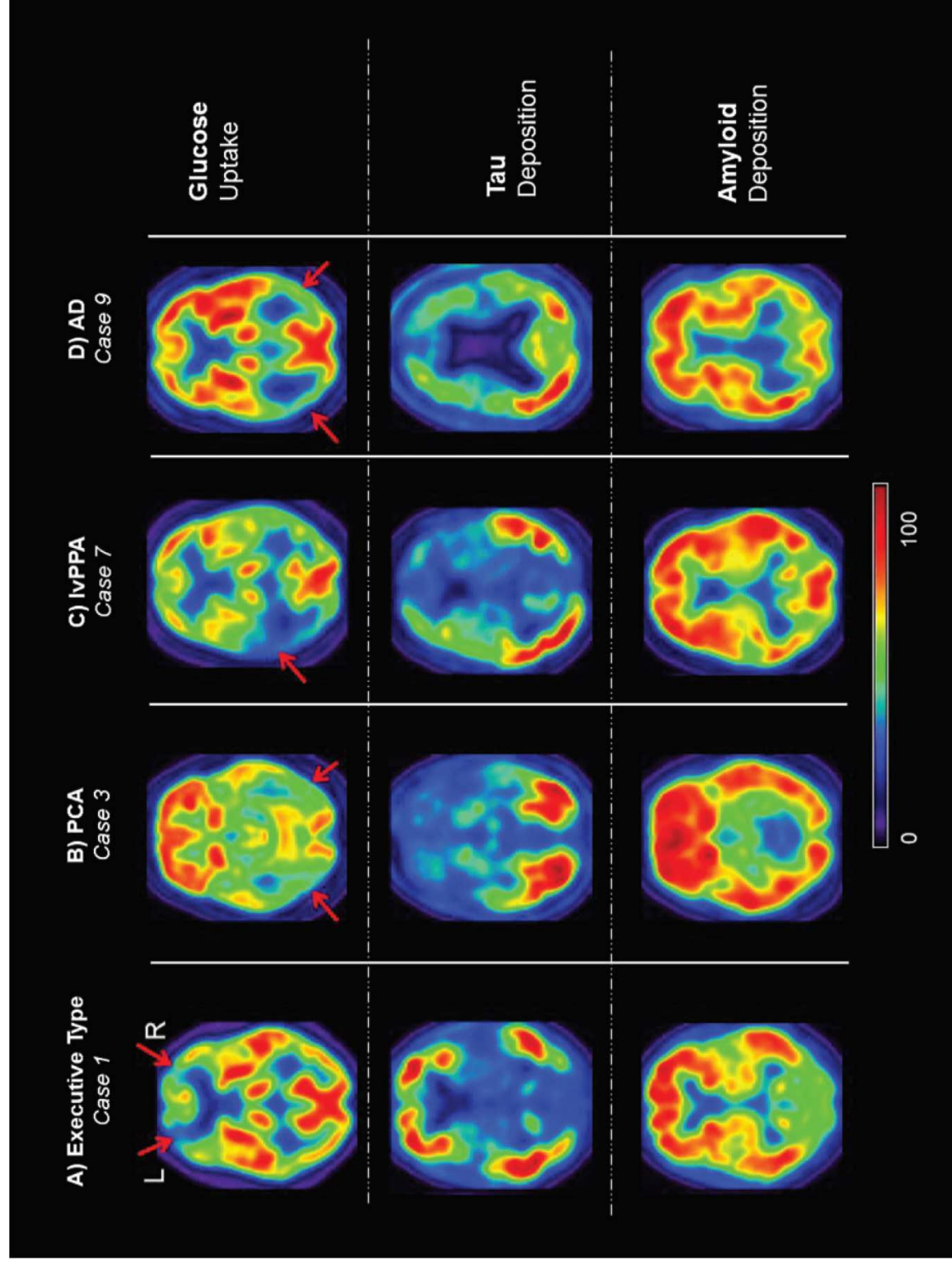
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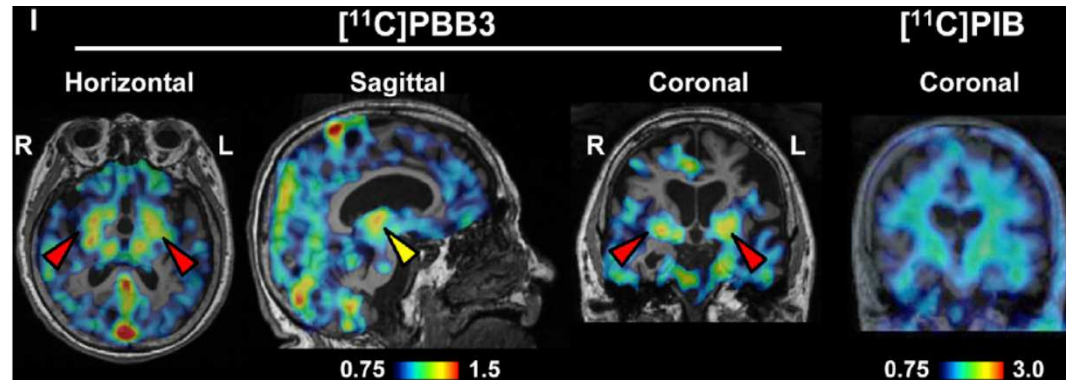


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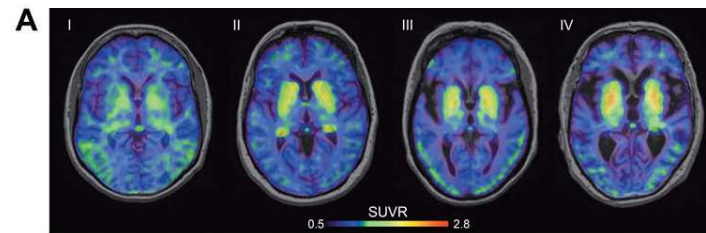
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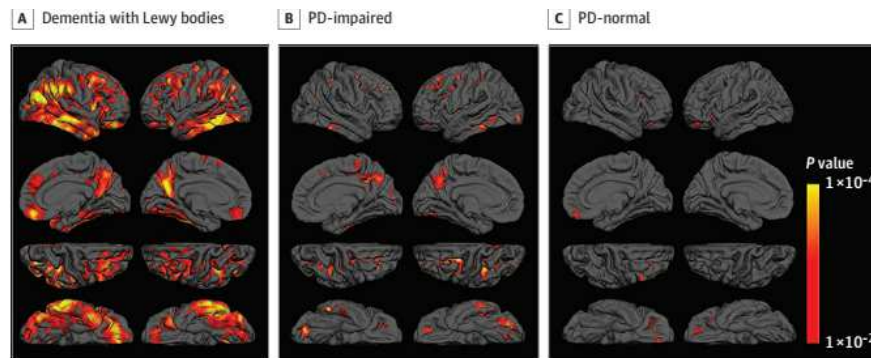
Maruyama et al, Neuron 2014

Progressive Supranuclear Palsy



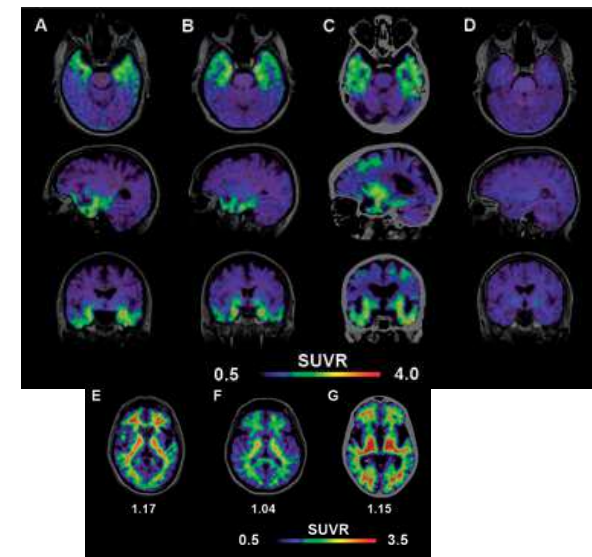
Smith et al, Movement Disorder 2016

Dementia with Lewy Body



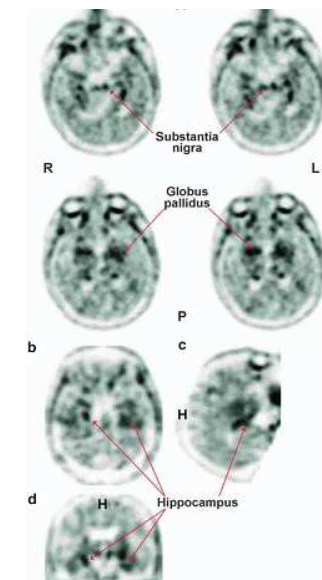
Gomperts et al JAMA Neurology 2016

MAPT mutation carriers



Smith et al, Brain 2016

Traumatic Brain Injury



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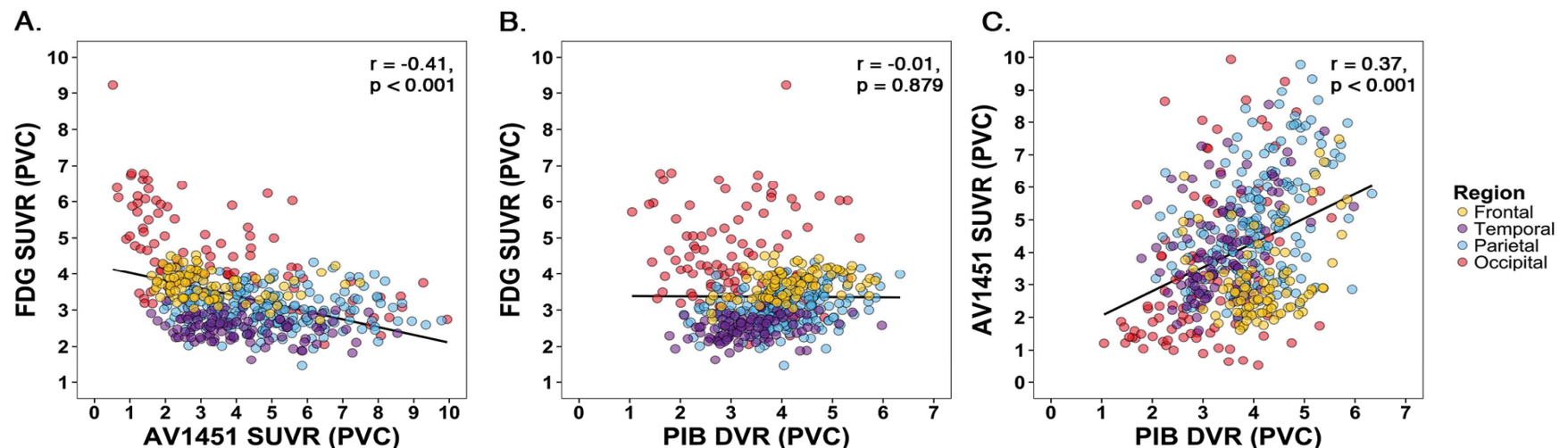
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Pearson correlation analyses using *partial volume corrected data* showed a strong association between increased 18F-AV1451 and reduced 18F-FDG uptake and between 18F-AV1451 SUVR and 11C-PiB DVR, while no association was found between 11C-PiB and 18F-FDG SUVR.

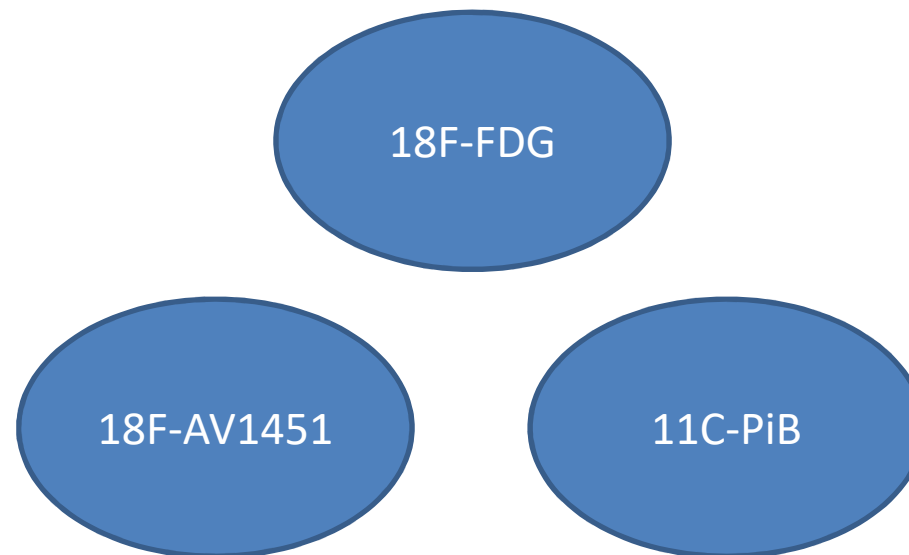


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The ^{18}F -AV1451 pattern was inversely correlated with regional cortical hypometabolism assessed by FDG-PET, in the cortical brain areas associated with the impaired cognitive functions.



TAU pathology is the major correlate of clinical symptoms and neurodegeneration severity
tau pathology, preferentially occupied brain areas that are critical for cognitive functions uniquely affected in distinct variants of Alzheimer's disease

Amyloid- β pathology, as measured by ^{11}C -PiB PET, affected both clinically affected and unaffected regions and showed weak association with regional glucose metabolism