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EndoTOF PET - US

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ENDO TOFPET US

Endoscopic TOFPET & Ultrasound

A dedicated detector for pancreas and prostate biomarkers developments

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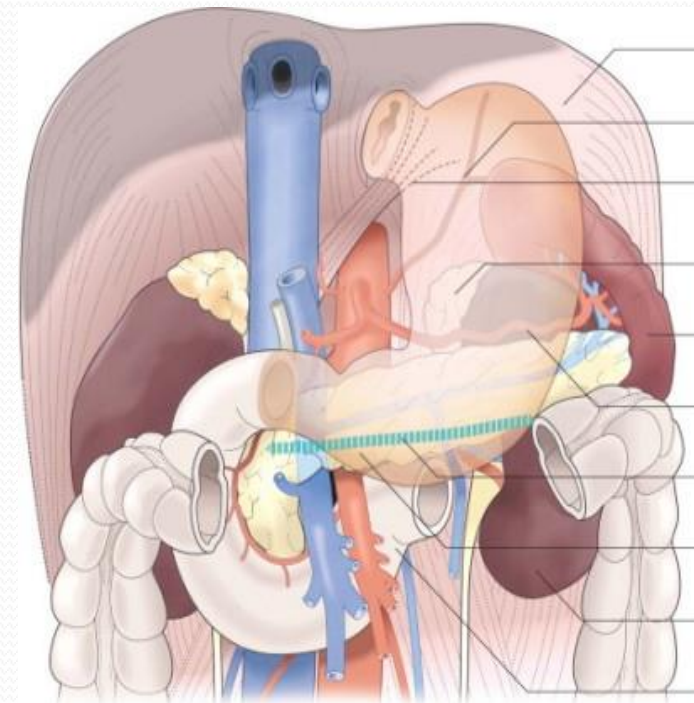
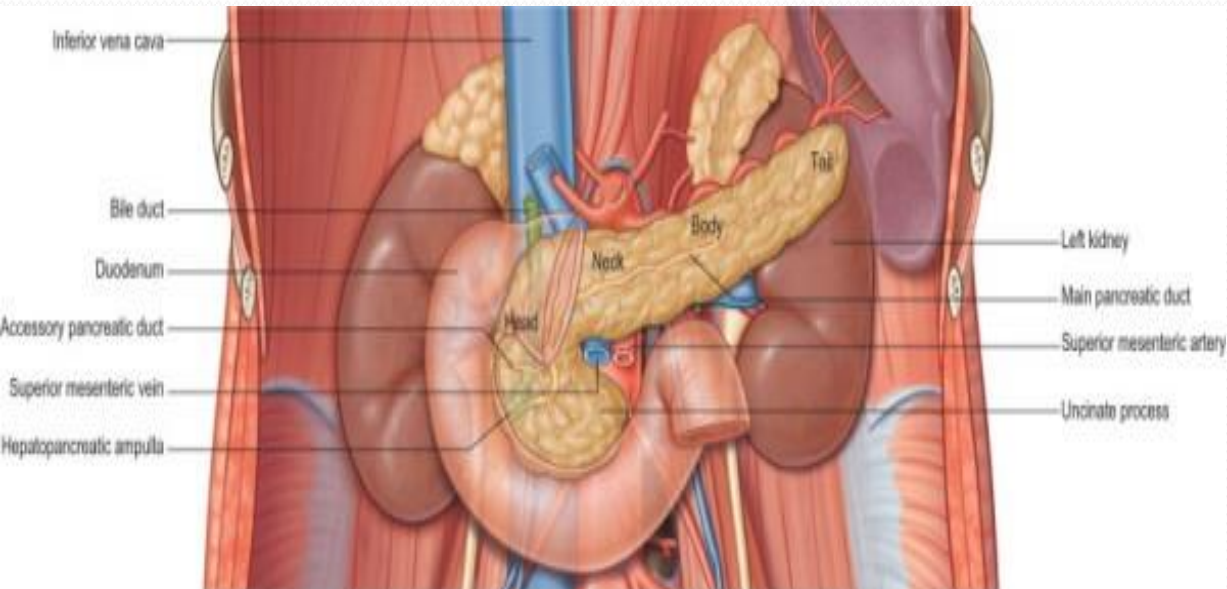
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What the rationale ?

Pancreas is difficult to examine !

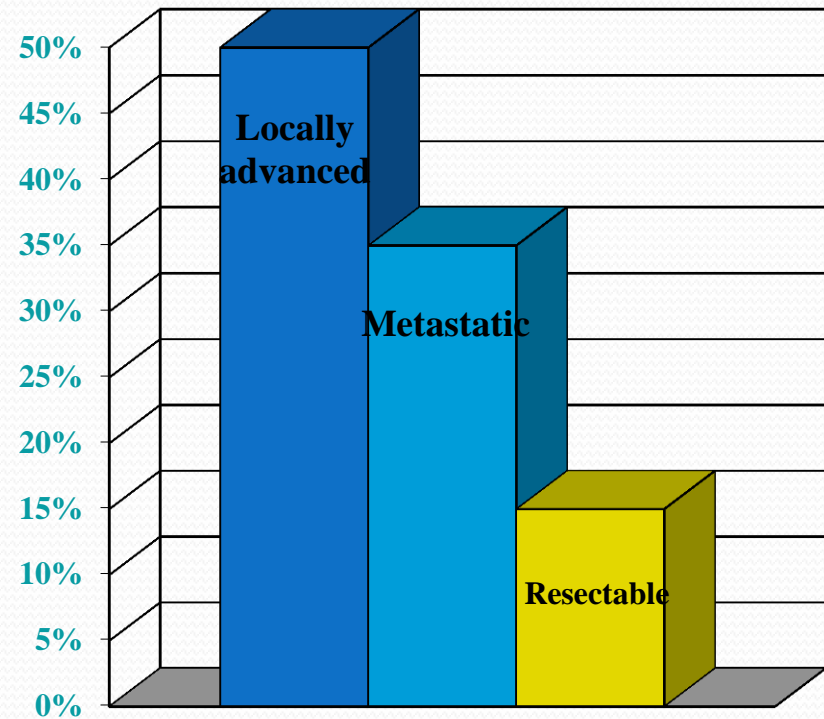
- Retroperitoneal organ, deep and hidden
- Not directly accessible to endoscopy



Because pancreatic cancer is a big problem !

Epidemiological data

- > 3050 new cases/year in France
- Enhancing incidence
- 2nd digestive cancer in mortality,
- 6th in frequency
- Poor prognosis
- Lack of improvement in the early diagnosis



frequency

Because clinical symptoms are scarce!

- **Early clinical symptoms do not exist :**
- Signs often only appear when neighbouring organs are involved : too late
- **Pain** : very evocative (solar type) but very late
- **Jaundice** : non specific and always late
- **Biology** : CA 19-9 non specific and very late

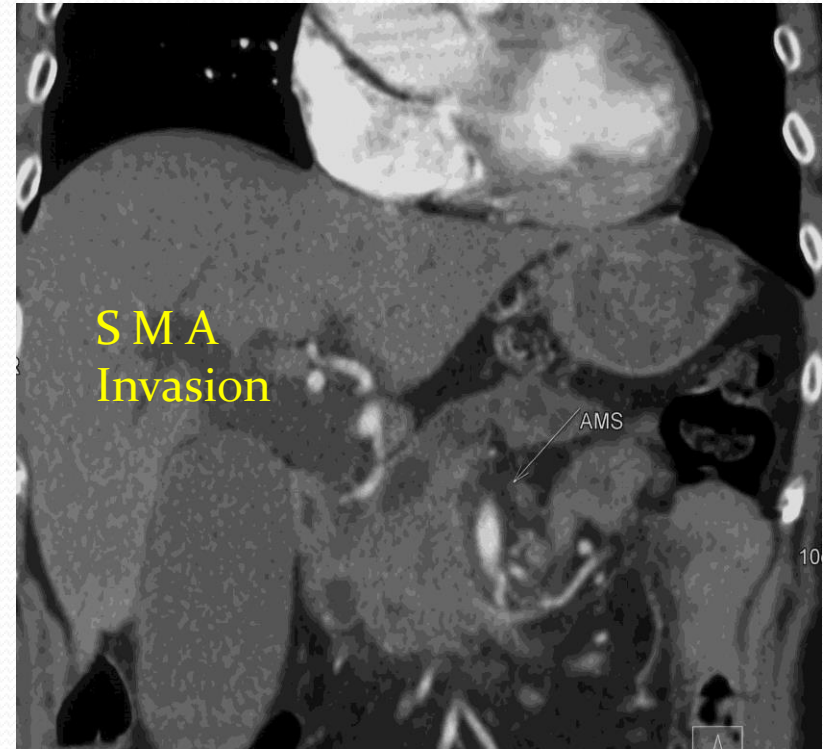
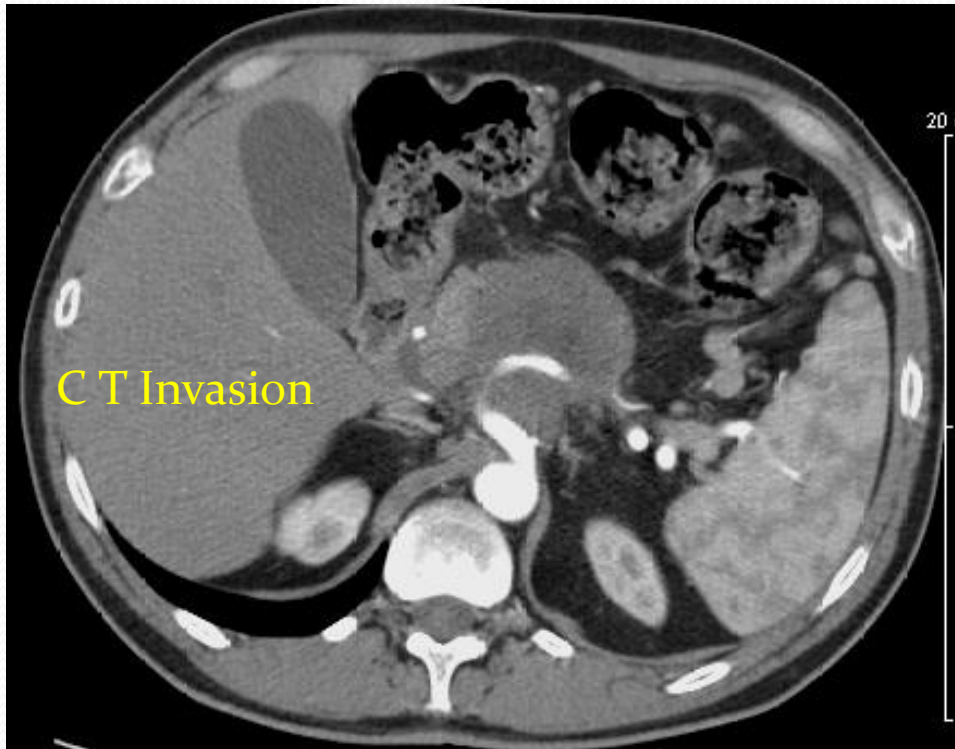
Ultrasonography is not sensitive enough

Low sensibility, only when tumor exceed 20 mm



CT Scan: confirmation and staging for operability but only for diagnosed lesion

Precision : 83-93 % Good for resectability evaluation



Endosonography:

Combines endoscopy and US



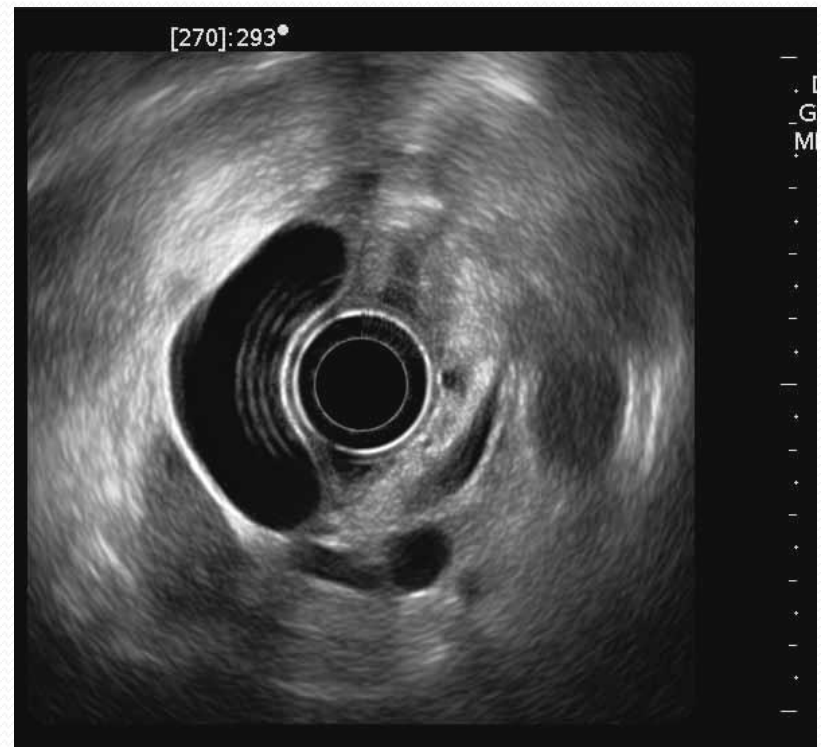
Radial

Linear

- Endosonography: radial probe



7. MHz



12 MHz

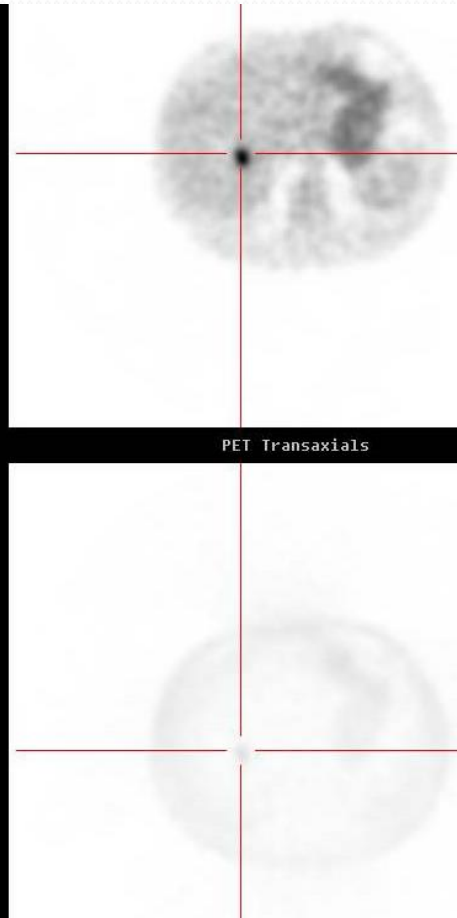
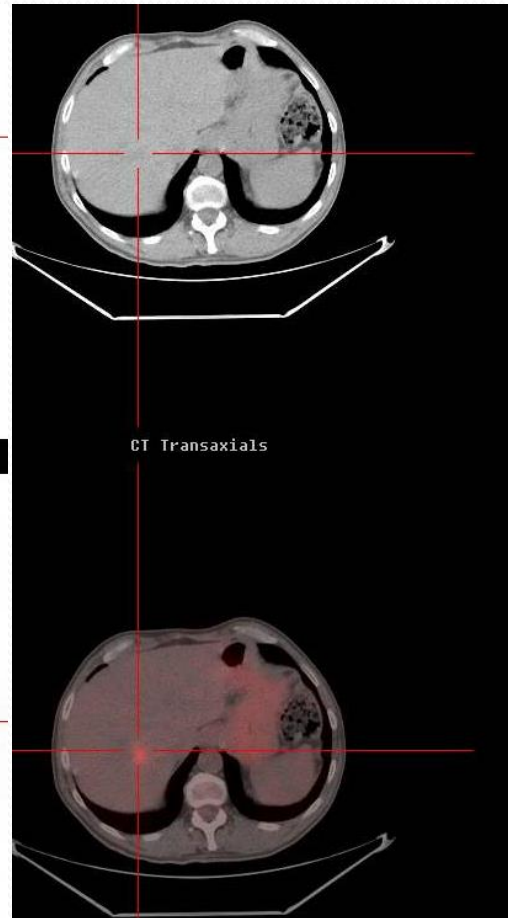
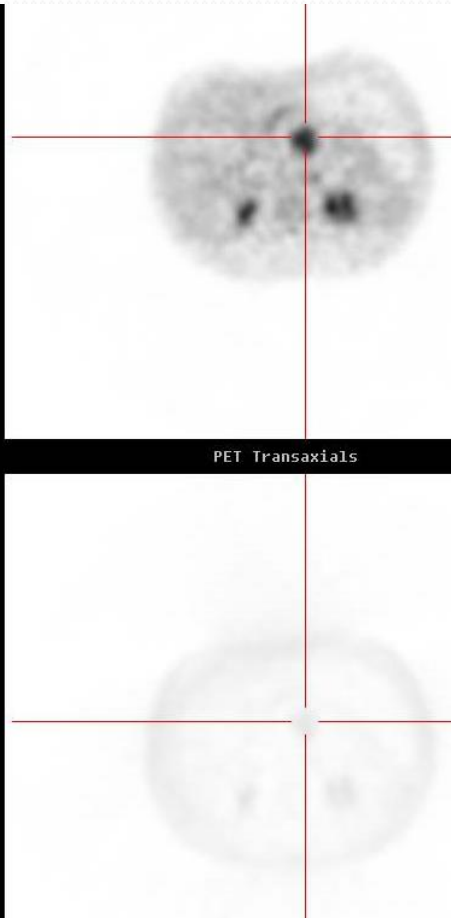
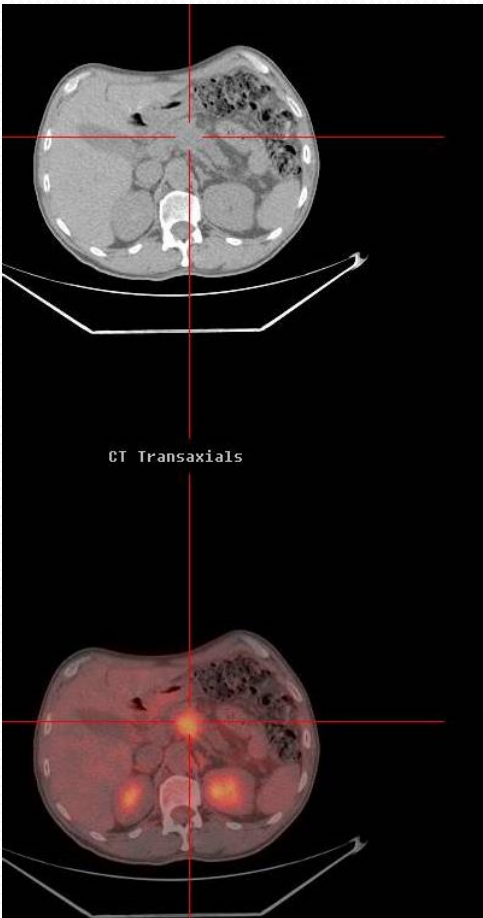
- **Endosonography: linear probe**



- **Endosonography:** the linear probe allows a direct cytology guidance for a puncture



- **Positron Emission Tomography: Only for staging primitive pancreatic lesion and metastasis**



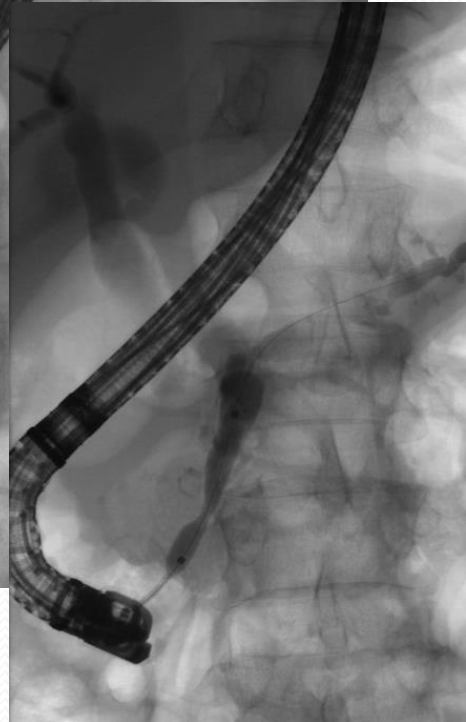
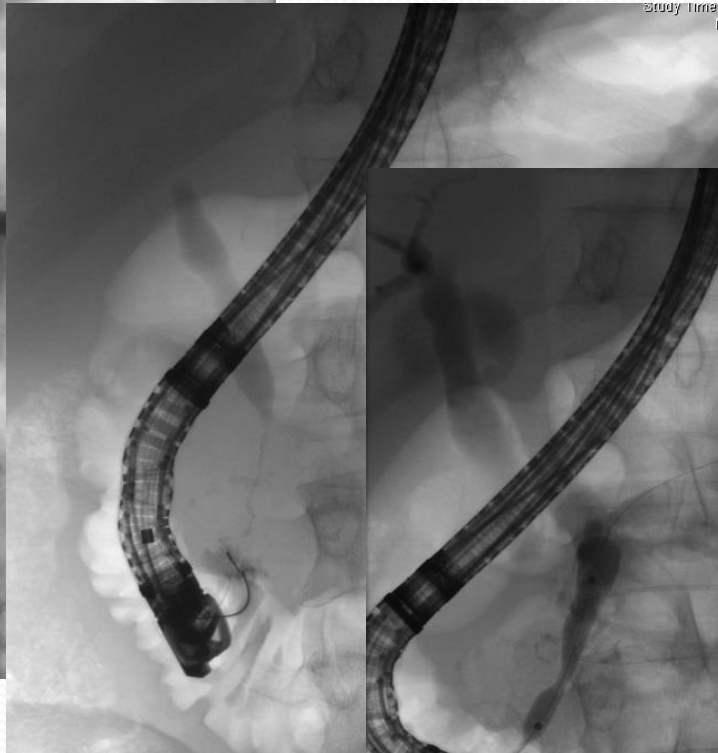
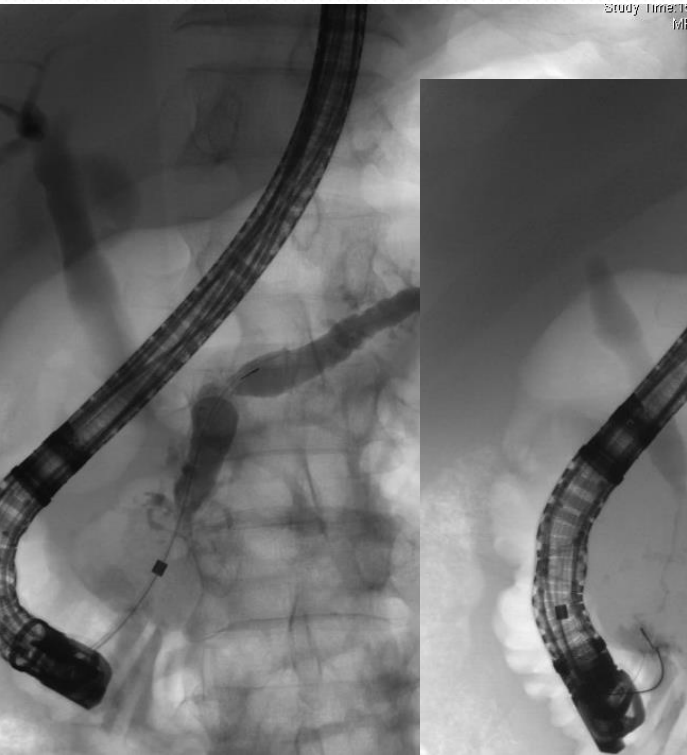
- E R C P: no longer for diagnosis but only for treatment



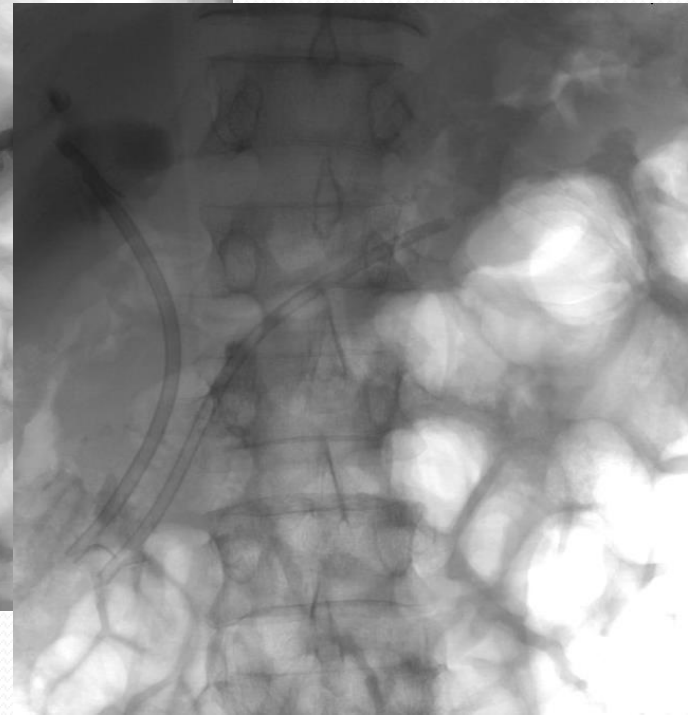
Is a pancreatic cancer screening possible ?

- Not for the general population , BUT
- Some sub populations are of interest for the GE:
 - * Chronic pancreatitis patients, at a late stage, with a stricture of MPD or MBD or both
 - * IPMN: mixt and branch duct types
 - * Chronic Hereditary Pancreatitis
 - * Mucinous neoplasms
 - * Endocrine tumors

Chronic pancreatitis patients, at a late stage



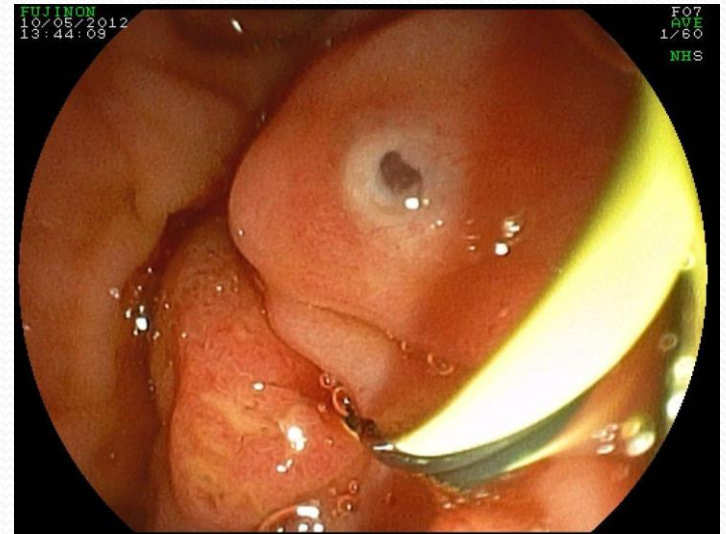
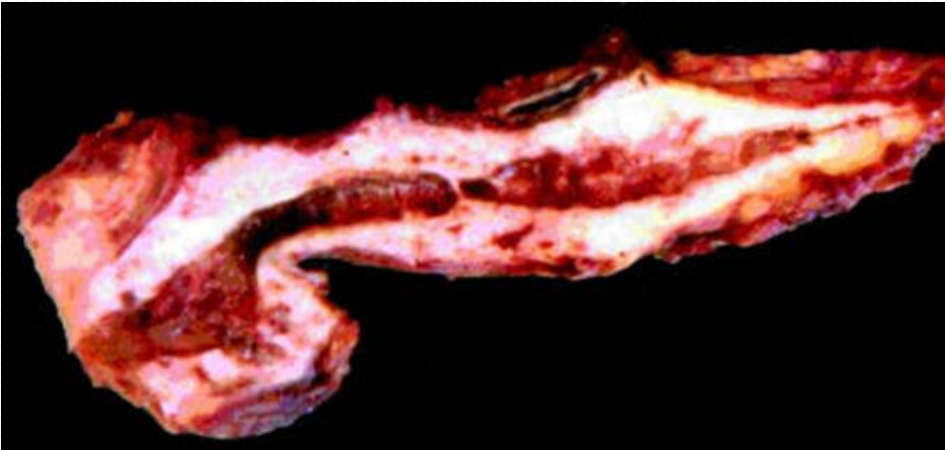
Relevance of a stricture ??



Surveillance or surgery ??

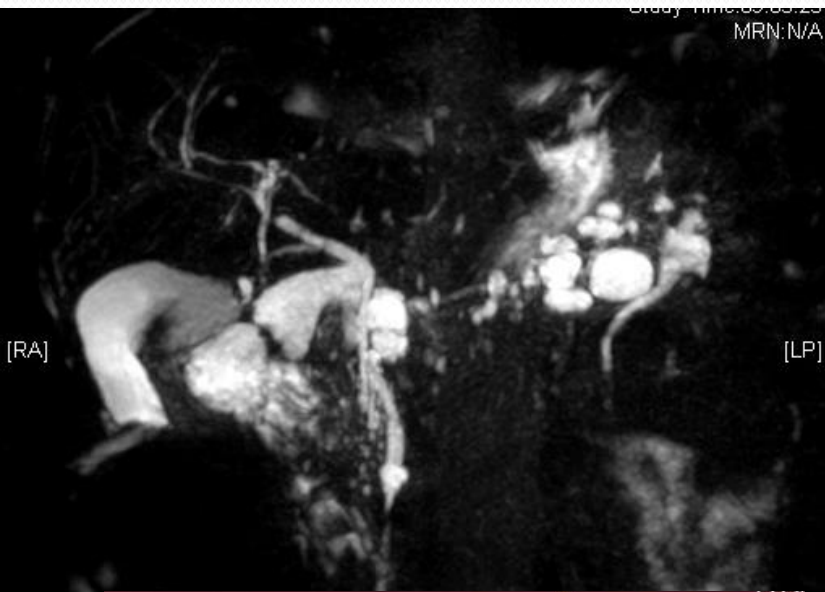
* IPMN

- Transformation of the cubic type epithelium of the ducts into a mucinous type
- Acute bouts of pancreatitis and duct dilation
- Mucus secretion



- Risk of degeneration into a cancer
- Main duct++, branch duct and mixt types: surveillance

* IPMN mixt and branch duct forms: MRI and EUS +++

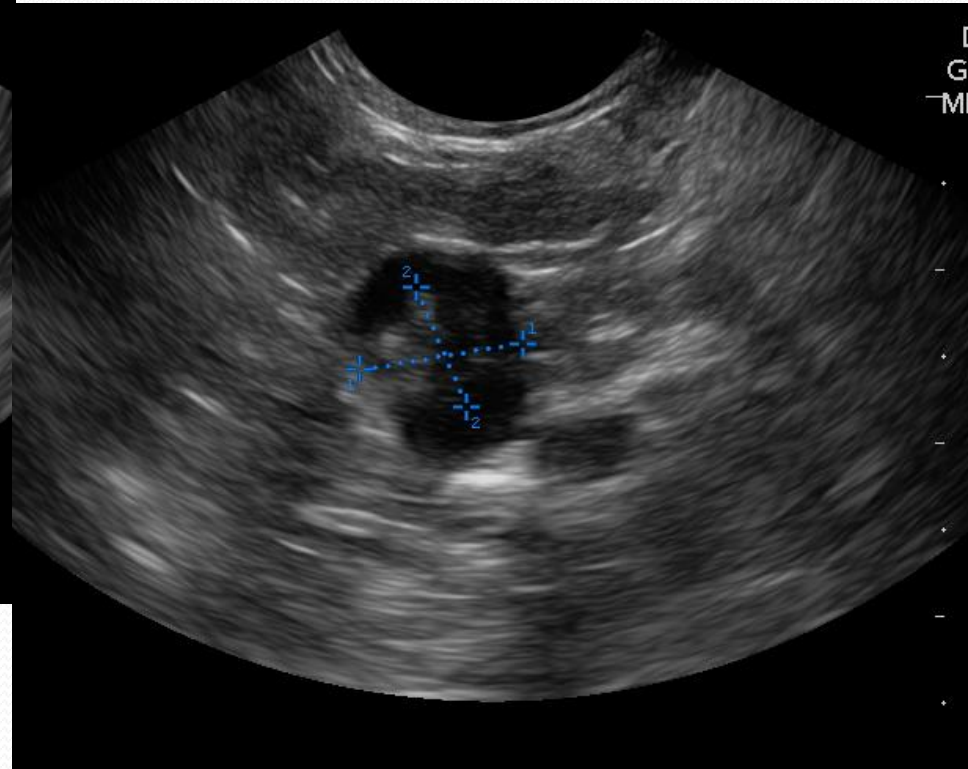
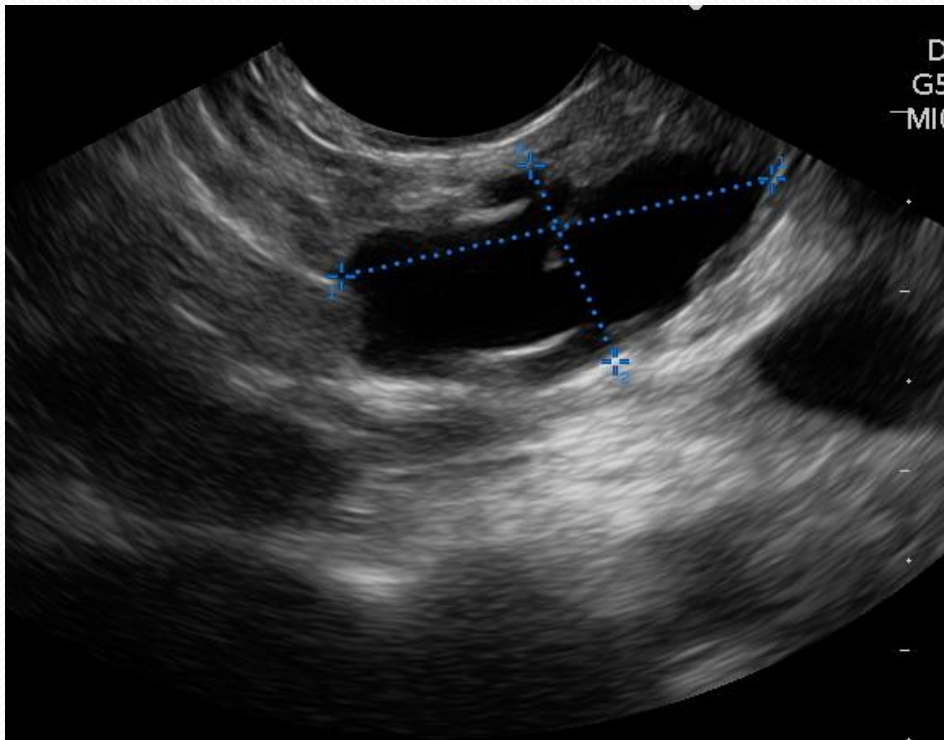


No cancer ? Surveillance ?



* IPMN mixt and branch duct forms: MRI and EUS +++

Nodule or mucus ??

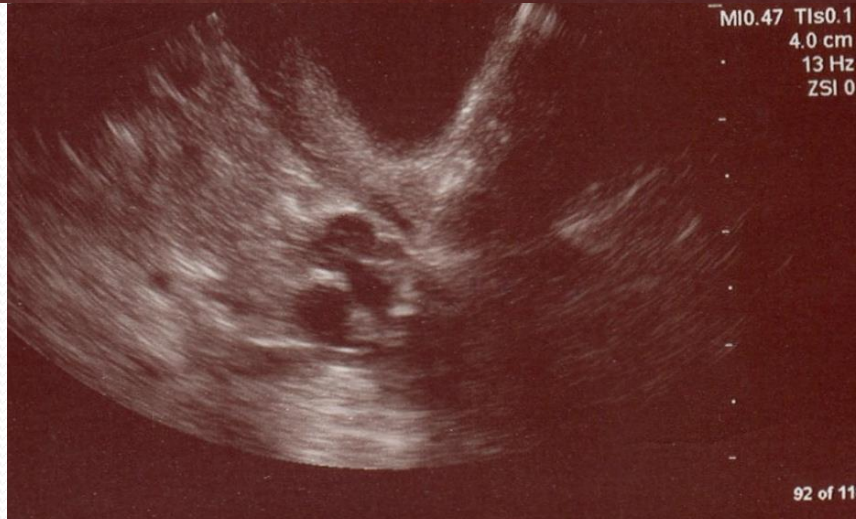
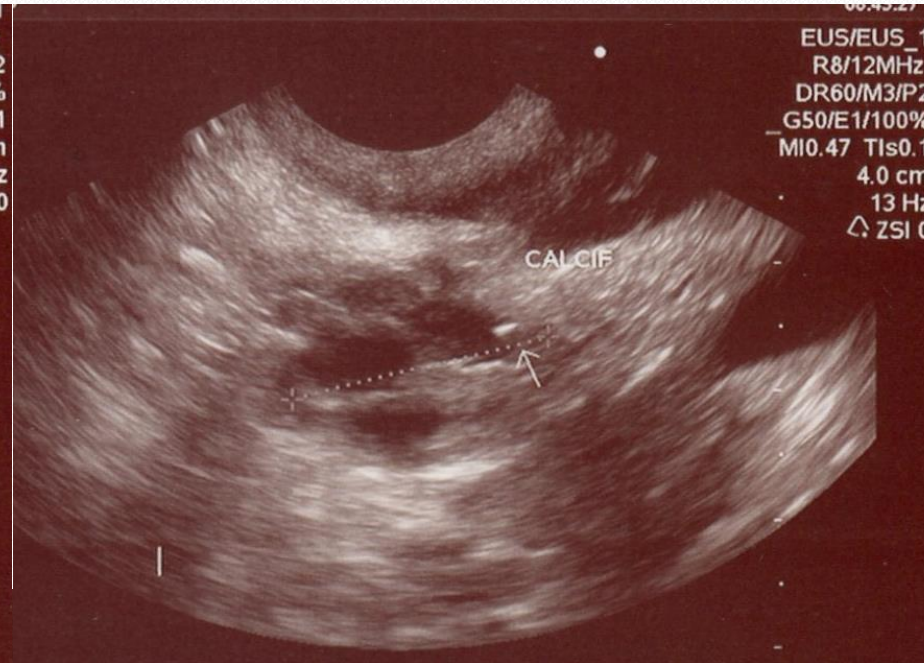
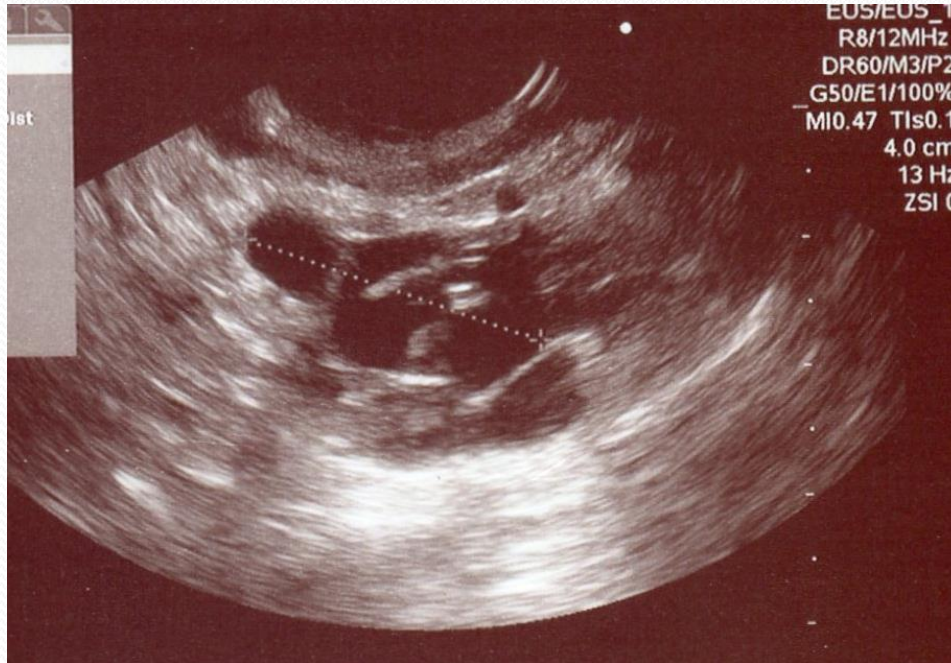


Chronic hereditary pancreatitis

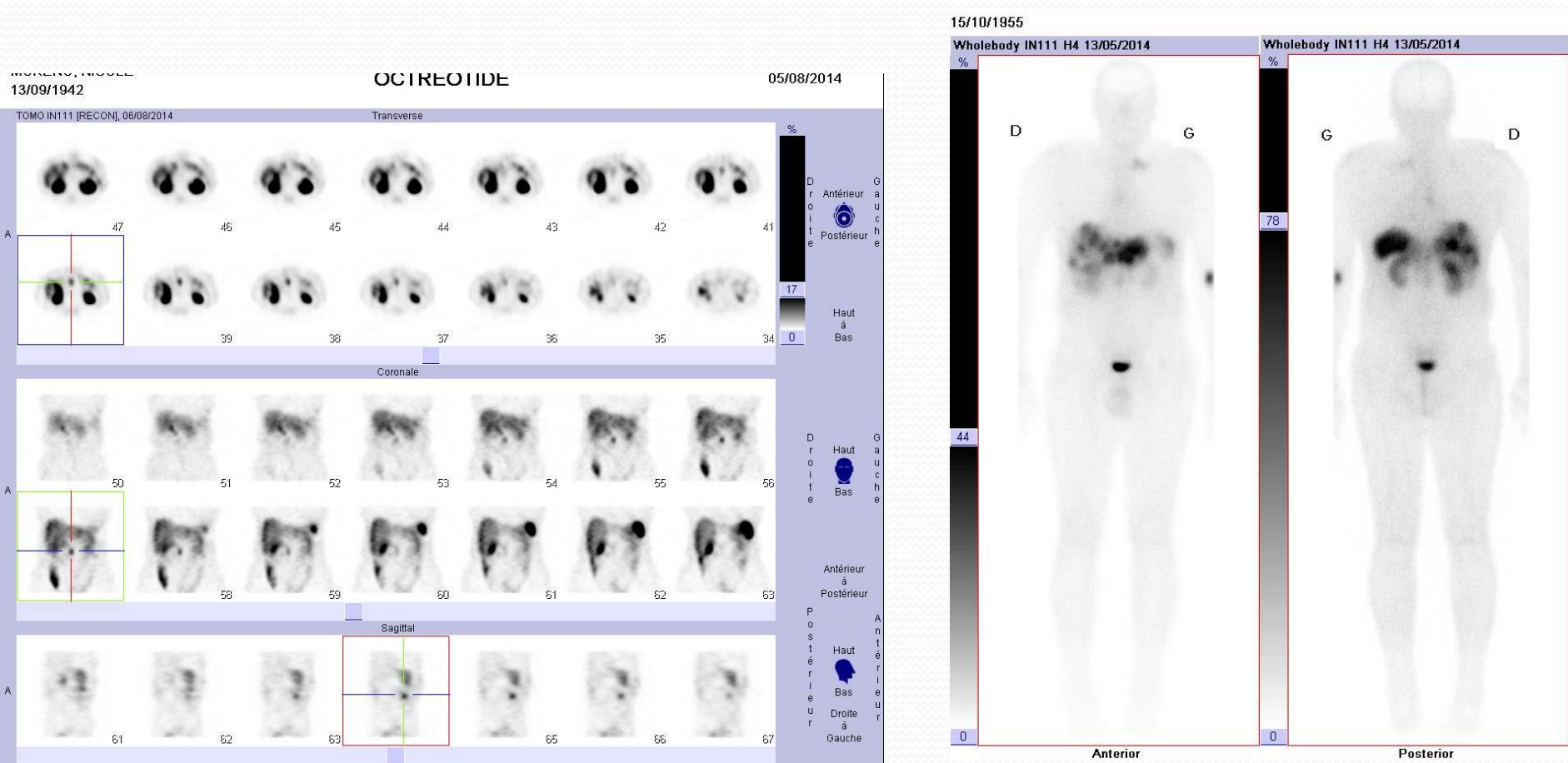


- Chronic pancreatitis but very high risk of cancer > 50 Years:
- What nature for this stricture ???

Mucinous cyst adenoma



- Octreoscan for endocrine tumors:
confirmation and staging
but some are benign for a long time



CLINICAL RATIONALE : exists

- Pancreas is a difficult organ with late symptoms
- Surveillance of pancreatic patients is difficult despite immense improvements of technology
- TEPscan and EUS have followed a very rapid development but are unable to allow a good FU
- EndoTOF PET-US may help us to solve difficult problems of therapeutic indications: surveillance or surgery ?

The AIM : Imaging tool for pancreas and prostate cancer biomarker development



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Tool

- Endo = echo endoscope (EUS)
 - 1 for pancreas
 - 1 for prostate

*Spatial resolution
Biopsy*
 - US = Ultrasound
 - PET
 - Endoscopic head close to organ
 - External plate for coincidences

*Anatomic +
Molecular imaging*
 - TOF = Time-of-Flight
- Other organs
background rejection*

Imaging tool for pancreas and prostate cancer biomarker development



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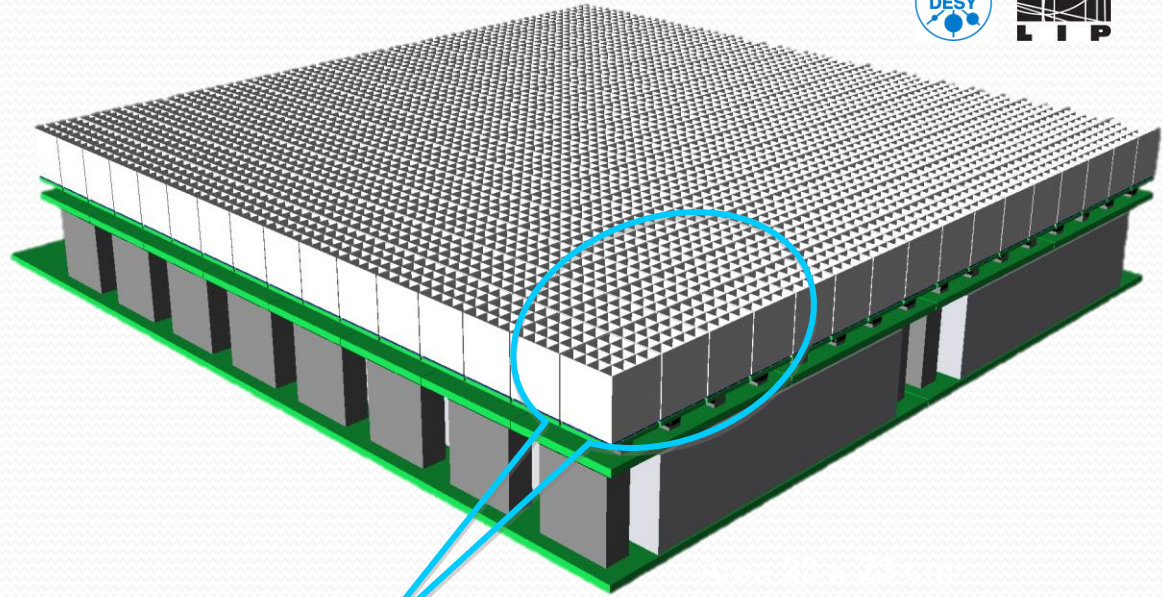
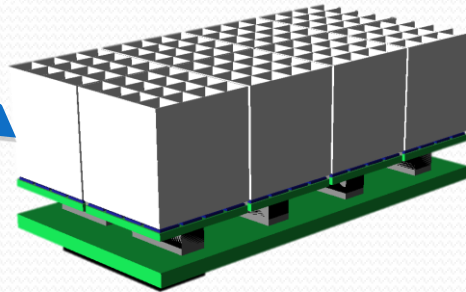
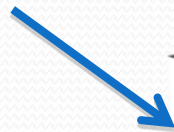
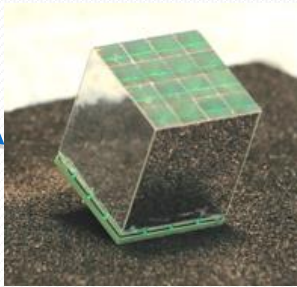
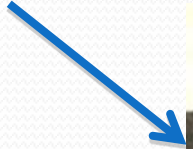
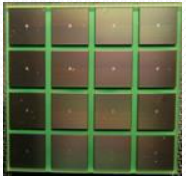
Objectives

- Develop new biomarkers for pancreas and prostate cancer
 - Ex: mAb16D10 antibody for pancreatic cancer
 - Ex: ^{68}Ga – PSMA for prostate
- Introduce PET as an endoscopic imaging tool
- Develop intra-operative interventional imaging techniques ?

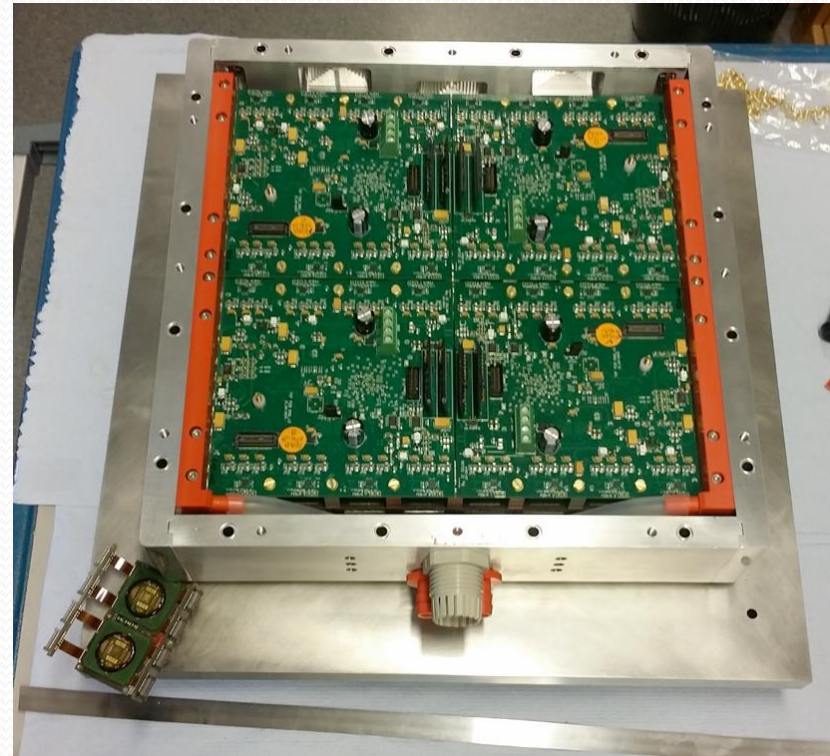
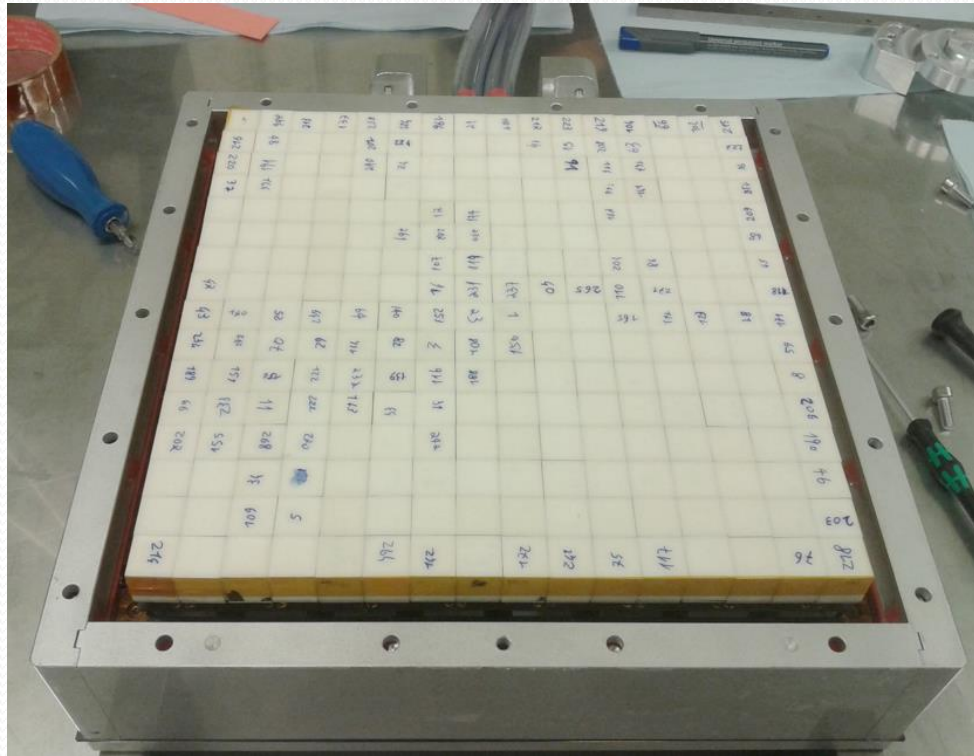
Technical challenges

- Non symmetric PET
- High level of miniaturization imposed by anatomy
 - Thin crystal pixels for high granularity of the endoscopic probe with $\leq 1\text{mm}$ spatial resolution
 - High level of electronics and mechanical integration ($5\mu\text{m}$ precision)
- Electronic collimation with $< 200\text{ps}$ timing resolution
 - for background rejection outside 3cm ROI
- Ultrafast light detection: Multi-digital SiPM
 - for single optical photon counting and ultimate timing resolution
- Tracking of all movable parts
 - for $\leq 1\text{mm}$ determination of their relative positions

External plate design

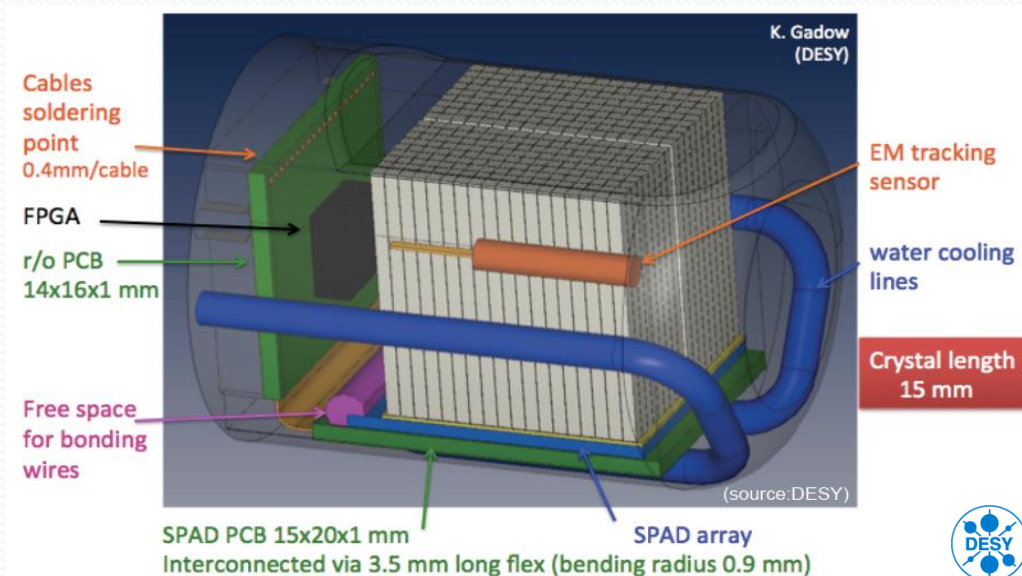
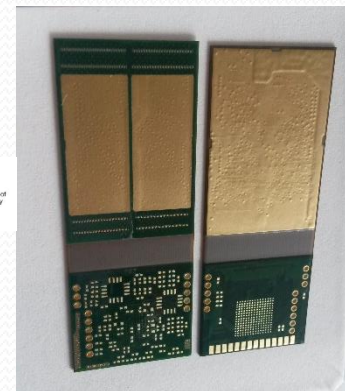
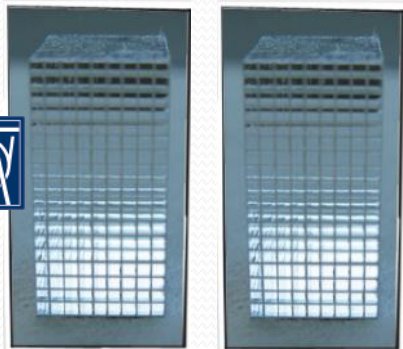


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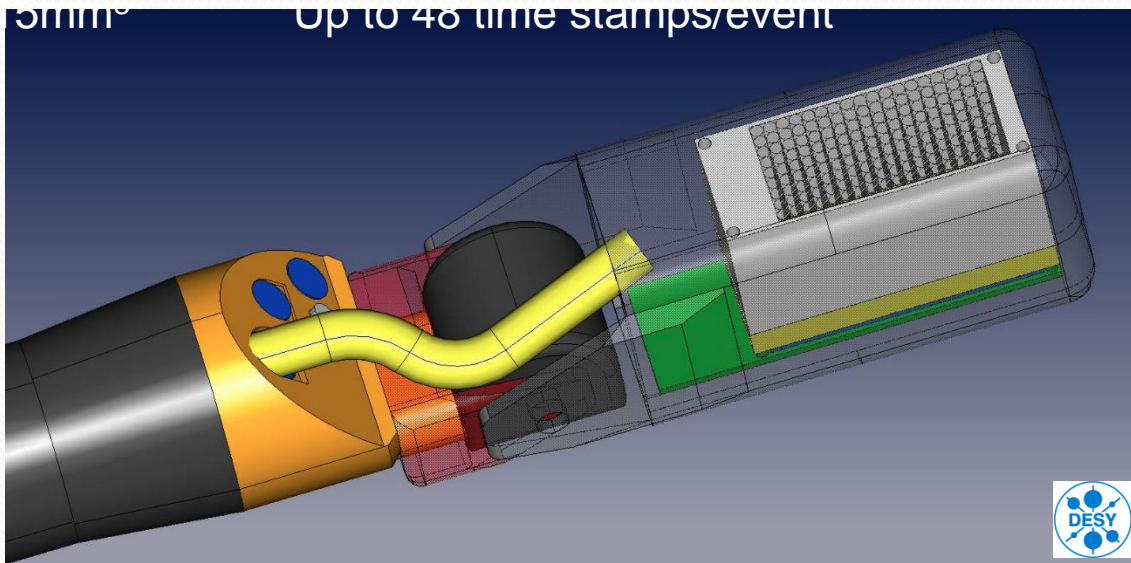


24-pin serial plates built for the pin headers and pin headers arranged

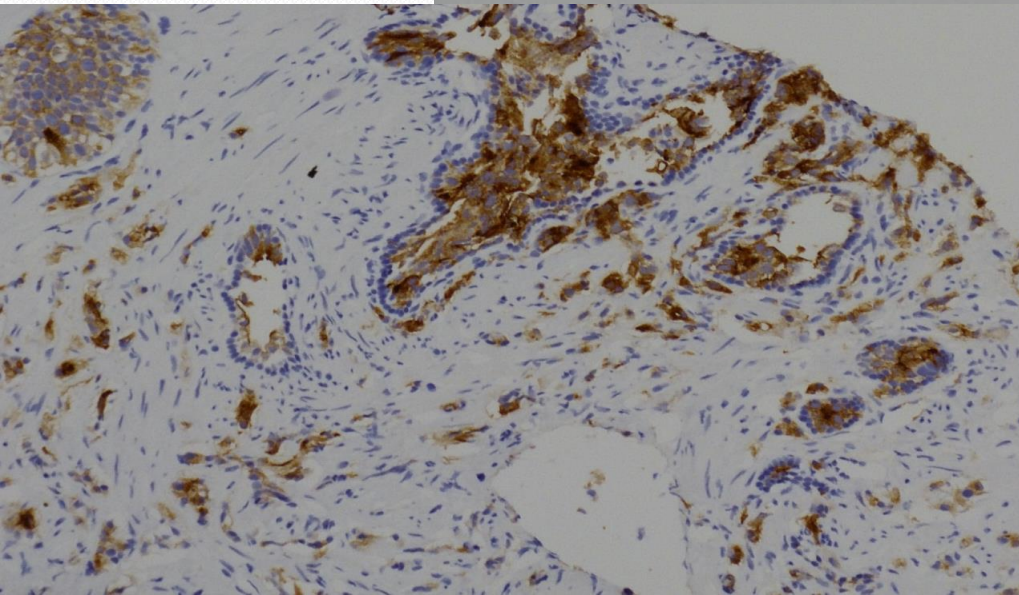
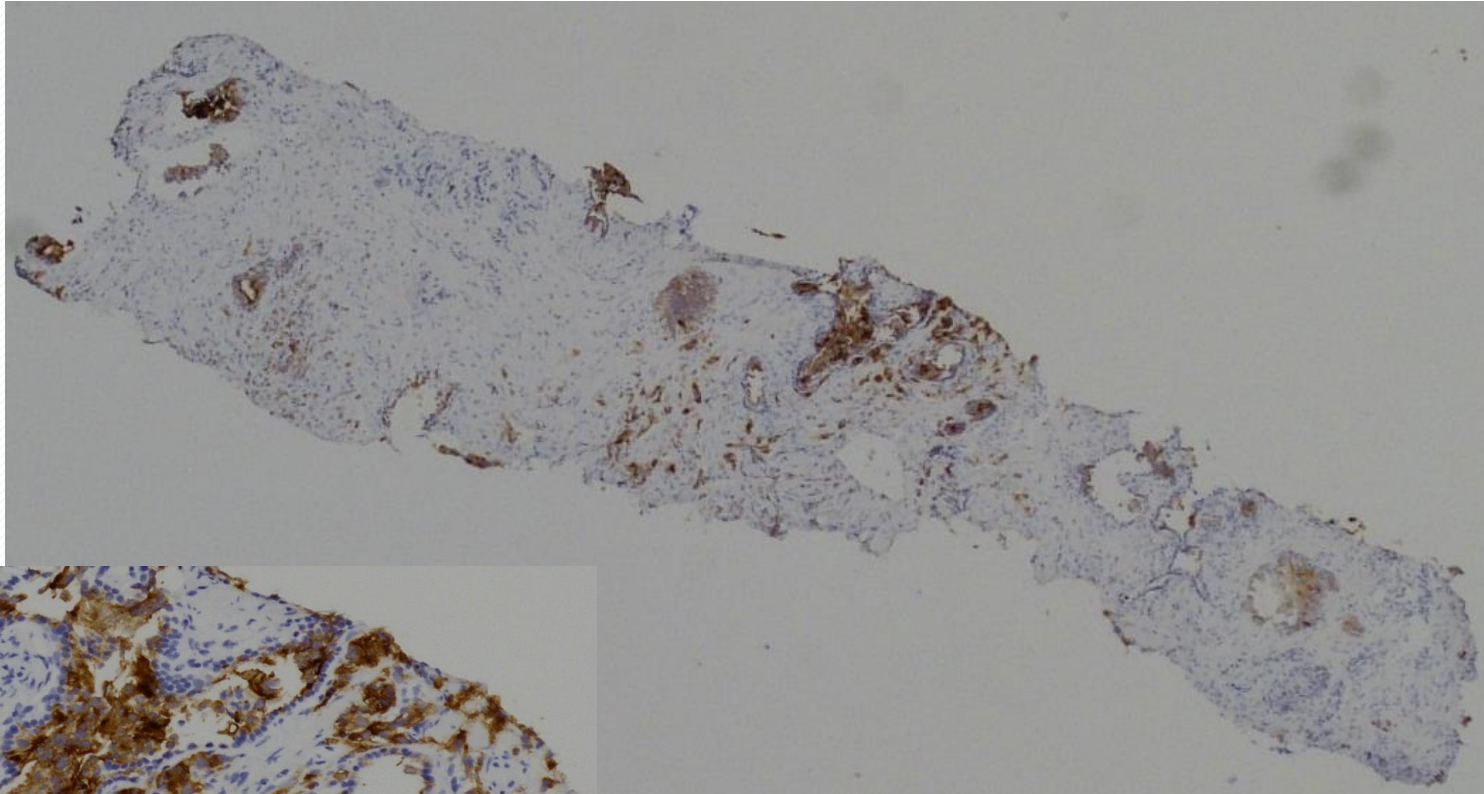
Endoscopic probe: Prostate



Endoscopic probe: Pancreas



Biological challenge: tumor heterogeneity: role for biomarkers



⁶⁸Ga-PSMA PET/MRI

Pelvis dimensions (prostate level)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• H: 35.6 cm• V: 21.4 cm	Prostate volume	44 cm ³ 50kBq
Torso dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• H: 36 cm• V: 24 cm	Prostate uptake	1,14 kBq/cm ³
Distance between prostate and urinary bladder	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Center urinary bladder-center prostate : 5.7 cm• Lower limit urinary bladder-upper limit prostate : 1.4 cm	Urinary bladder volume	270 cm ³ 1.3MBq
		Urinary bladder uptake	4.8 kBq/cm ³
		Prostatic lesion volume	7.7 cm ³ 27kBq
		Prostatic lesion uptake	3.53 kBq/cm ³
		Thickness of pelvic bone (prostate level)	2.28 cm

First preclinical tests on pigs



Endoscopic probe: Prostate

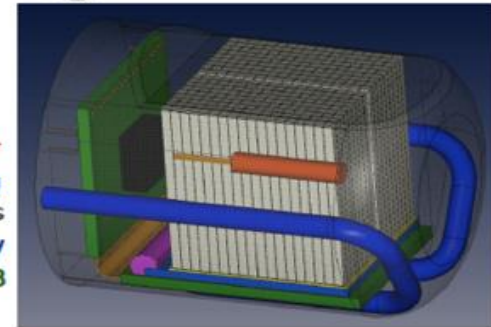


Commercial Ultrasound (US) Endoscope
Hitachi EUP-U533

US Transducer

PET Head
Extension

EM Tracking Sensor
Water Cooling
2 Matrices of 9x18 Crystals
MD-SIPM Array
MD-SIPM PCB



Conclusions

- EndoTOFPET-US in two versions for developing new biomarkers:
 - Prostate
 - Pancreas
- First time endoscopic configuration for a PET
 - Asymmetric PET
 - High level of miniaturization and integration
- TOF performance close to 200ps
- Opportunity to compare analog and digital approaches in a clinical environment