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- Aids recognition of false positive findings and accurate estimation of disease extension
- Describes emerging functional imaging techniques, including DWI MR and non-FDG tracers

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