Enhancement of the lesion detectability by Total-Body J-PET with mini-bar plastic scintillators

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Metastatic lesions

• Cancer cells are the same type of the healthy cells but they are dividing continuously, while healthy cells duplicating only if needed.

• Metastatic lesion occurs when cancer cells detach from their primary site and home in distant organs.

Lesion in human liver with approximately 6 cm diameter.

Sub-centimeter grade lesions with diameter of the about 4 mm.



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Importance of metastases detection

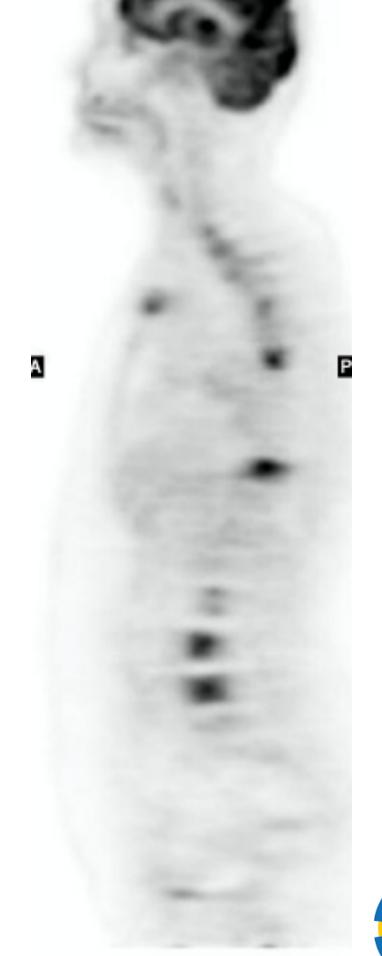
- •Metastatic cancers most dangerous
- •Depend on organs it has high mortality rate
- •Approximately 90% of depths are because of metastases

What is the importance of early detection of metastases?

Observation of any new lesions in new organs of patient need to redefine new treatment plan such as drug delivery, chemotherapy, radiation therapy ...



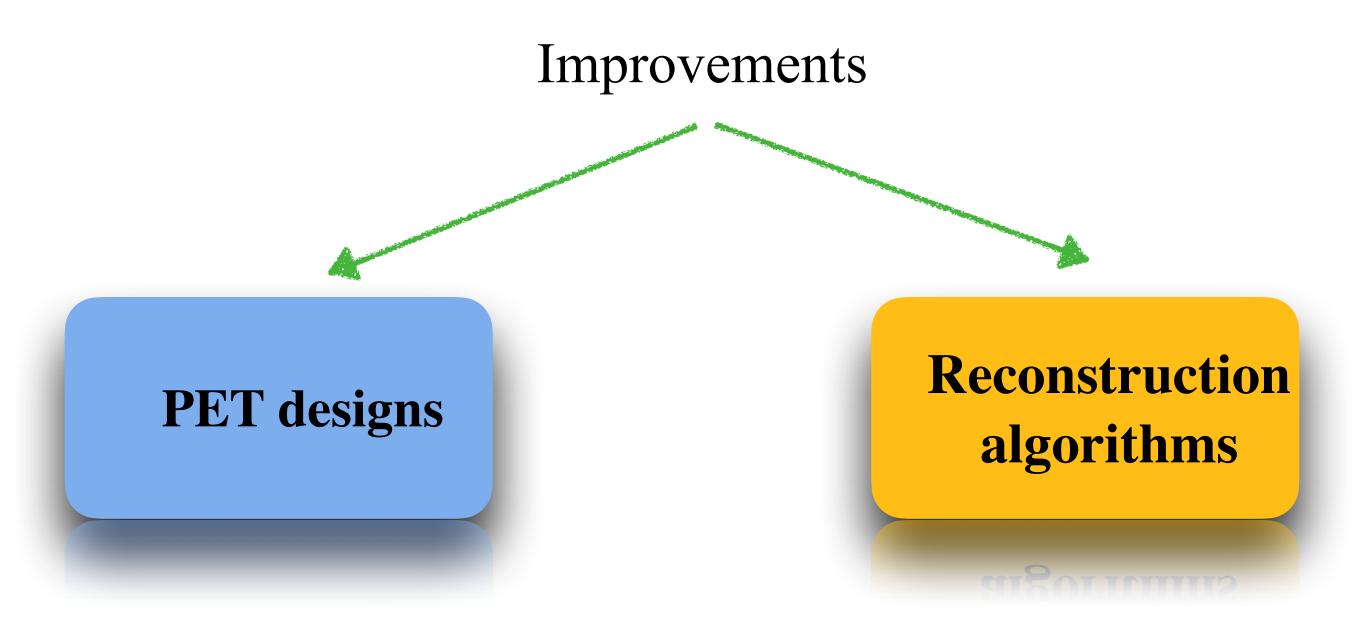
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Lesion detectability of PET

Lesion detectability is one of the important side field of PET imaging. In this field, **sensitivity**, **resolution** and **reconstruction algorithms** come together to make PET scan able to detect lesions.

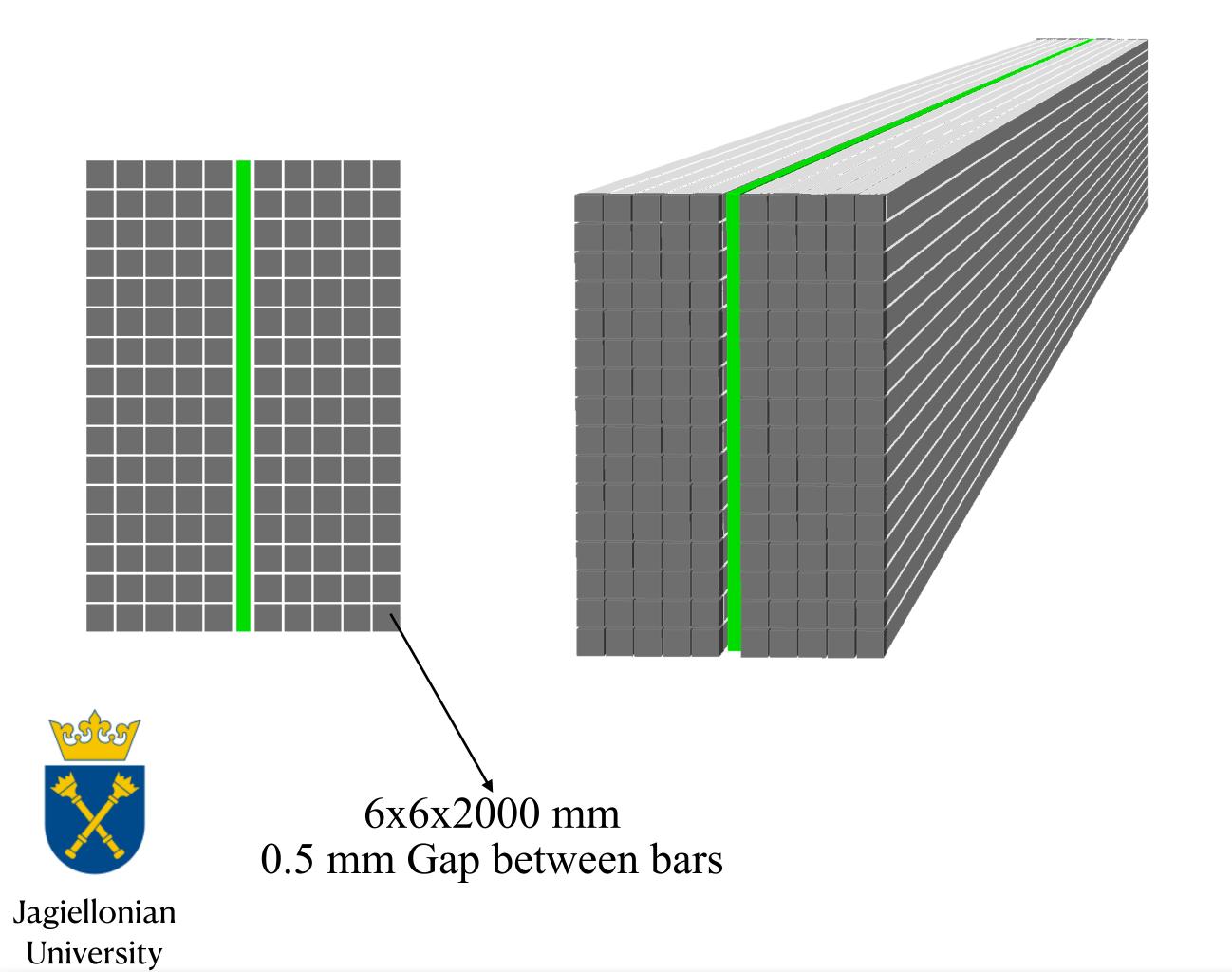


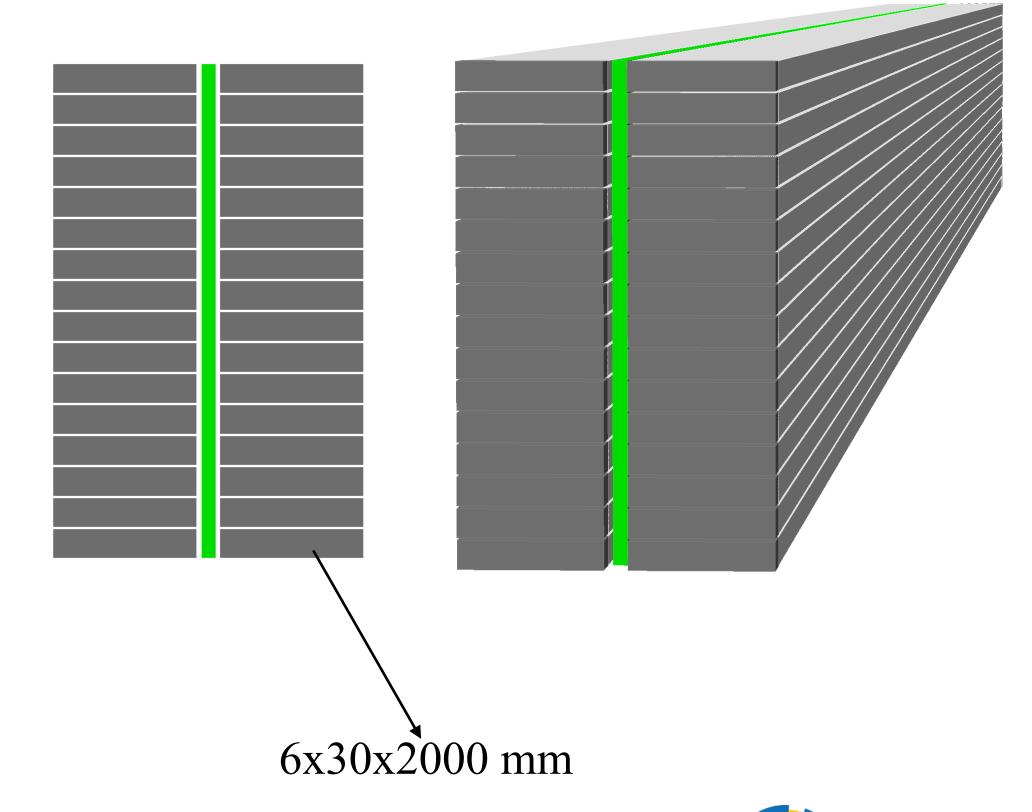


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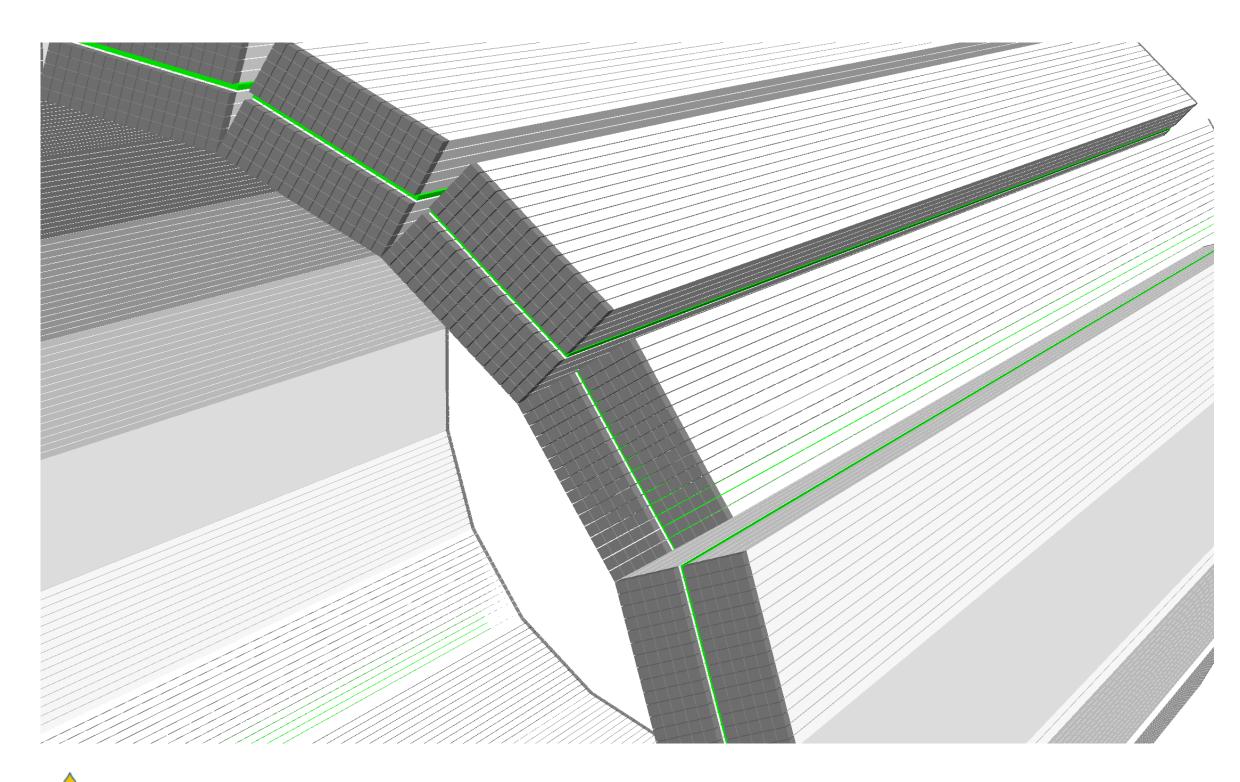


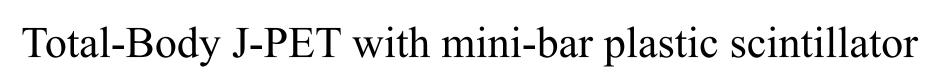
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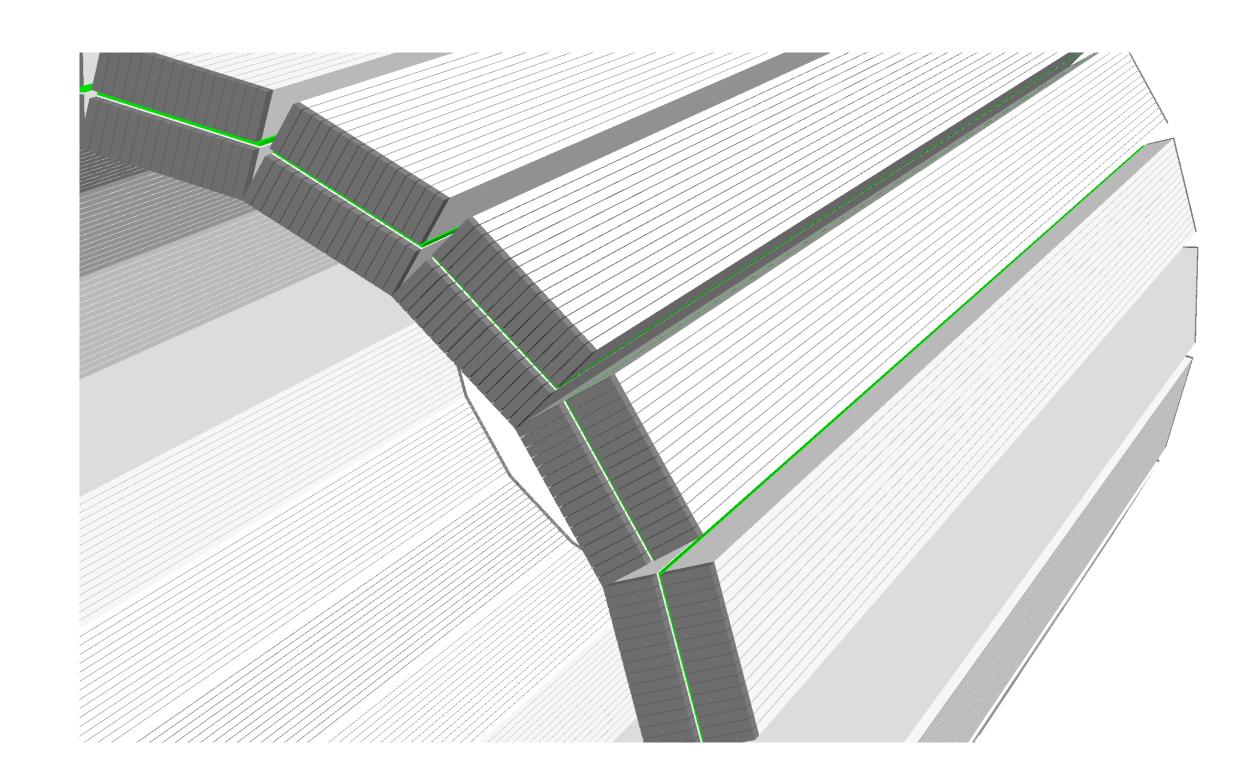
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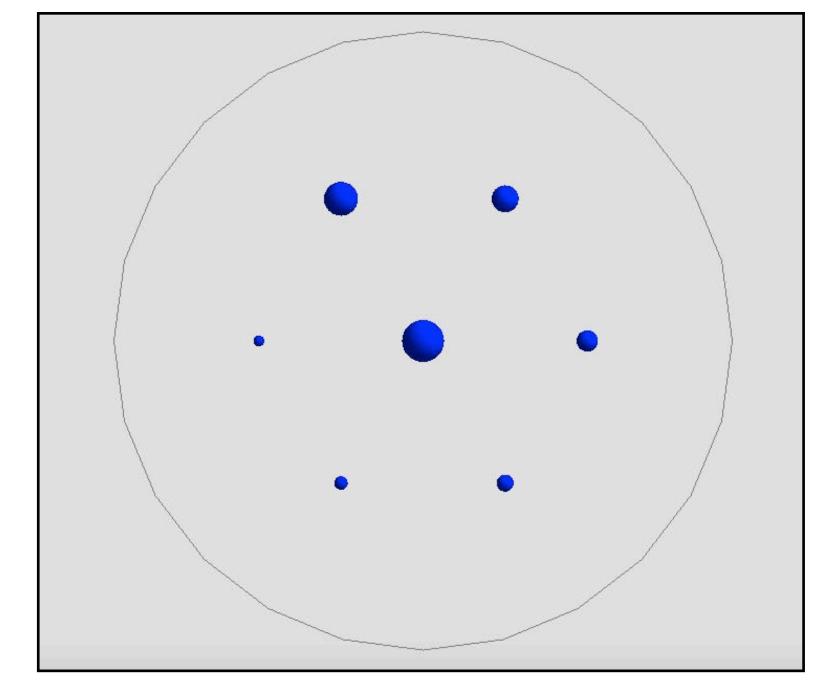


Total-Body J-PET with strip plastic scintillator



Jaszczak Phantom

| Source | Radius mm | Volume | |
|------------|--------------|-----------|--|
| Source 1 | 1.975 | 32.253 | |
| Source 2 | 2.475 | 63.473 | |
| Source 3 | 3.115 | 126.544 | |
| Source 4 | 3.890 | 246.443 | |
| Source 5 | 4.945 | 506.253 | |
| Source 6 | 6.125 | 1005.059 | |
| Source 7 | 7.715 | 1922.544 | |
| Background | 110 | 11390.820 | |



Jaszczak Phantom with 11 cm radios and 20 cm height, with 7 spherical sources



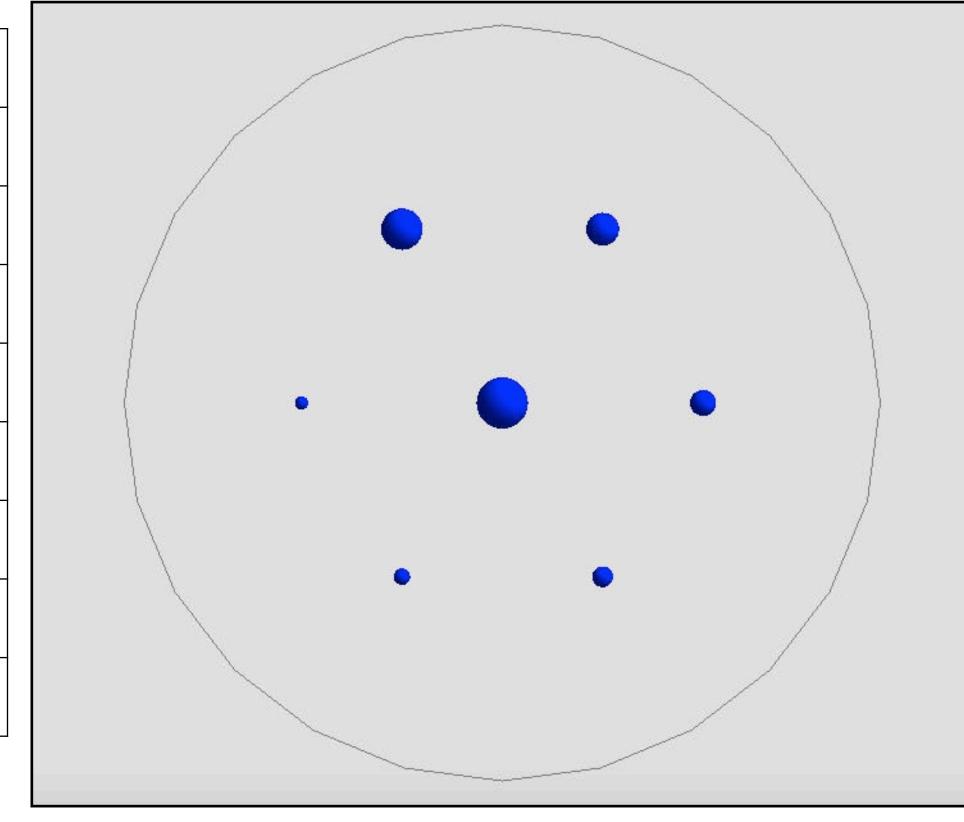
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Jaszczak Phantom

Target to background ratio

| Source | 2:1 | 4:1 | 8:1 | 16:1 |
|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Source 1 | 341.237 Bq | 682.473 Bq | 1364.947 Bq | 2729.894 Bq |
| Source 2 | 671.555 Bq | 1343.110 Bq | 2686.229 Bq | 5372,439 Bq |
| Source 3 | 1338.836 Bq | 2677.671 Bq | 5355.342 Bq | 10710.684 Bq |
| Source 4 | 2607.367 Bq | 5214.734 Bq | 10429.468 Bq | 20858.936 Bq |
| Source 5 | 5356.157 Bq | 10633.535 Bq | 21267.07 Bq | 42534,140 Bq |
| Source 6 | 10633.524 Bq | 21267,048 Bq | 42534,096 Bq | 85068,194 Bq |
| Source 7 | 20340.510 Bq | 40681.020 Bq | 81362,041 Bq | 162742.082 Bq |
| Background | 60257,438 Bq | 60257,438 Bq | 60257,438 Bq | 60257,438 Bq |







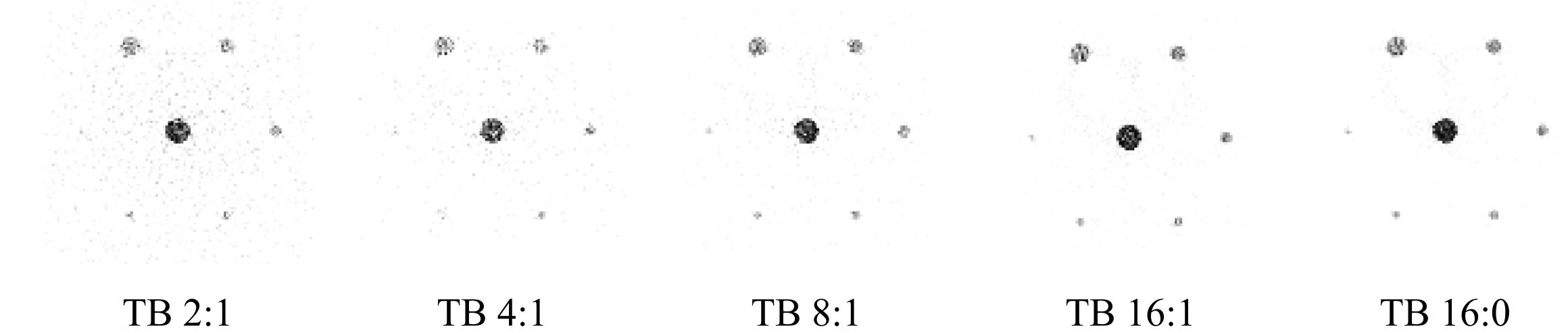
MLEM Image reconstruction of Jaszczak phantom by Total-Body J-PET mini-bar plastic scintillators

• Voxel Size: 1.556072 x 1.556072 x 2.590674 mm³

• TOF resolution: 230 ps

• 50 iterations

• Reconstruction with smeared data ($\sigma_z = 2.12 \text{ mm}$)







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