



Rad to Rad Learning: Subsolid Pulmonary Nodules on FDG PET/CT

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Peer Learning Opportunity



Low-level FDG uptake in a subsolid pulmonary nodule does not exclude malignancy.

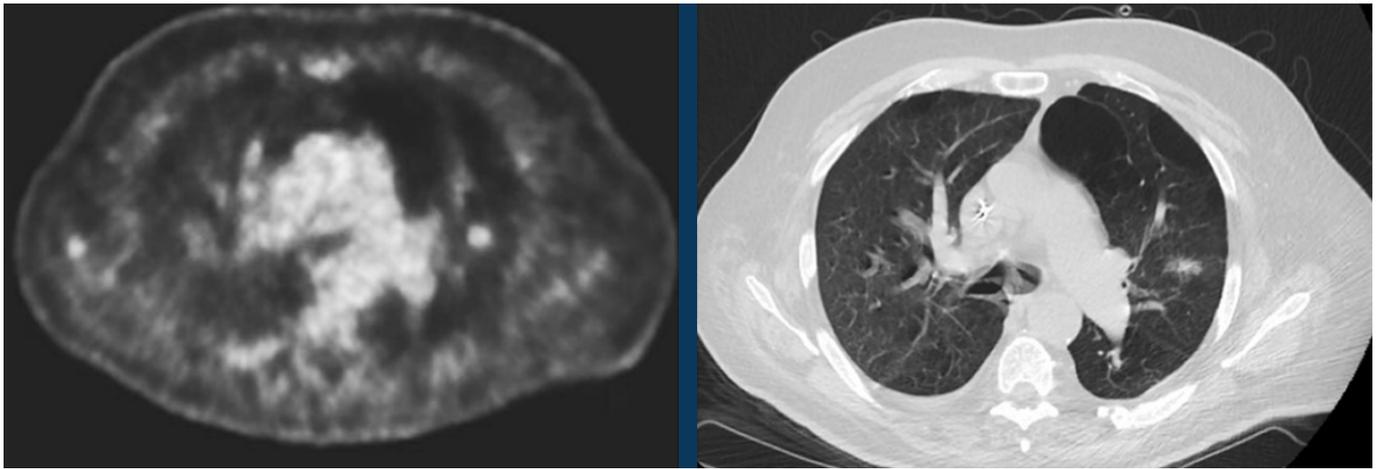
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Feb 12, 2024 SUV max 2.1

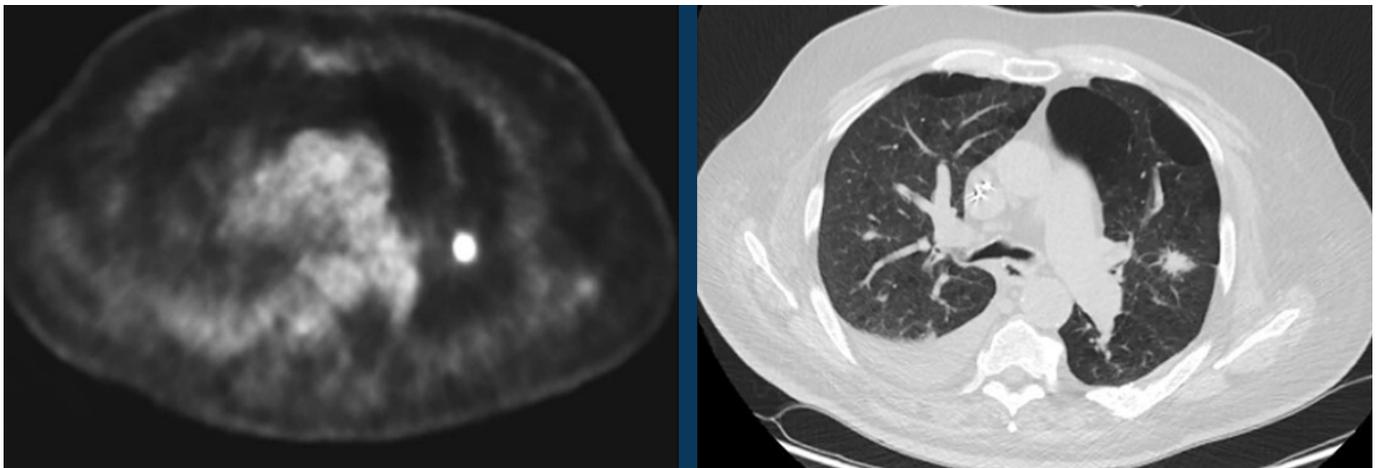
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July 25, 2025. SUV max 8.2



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Practical Insights

- **There are no relevant threshold values when evaluating subsolid nodules.**

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- **Changes in nodule morphology over time may be as or more important than SUV max.**
- **For subsolid nodules with low SUV max, follow-up CT is recommended, unless the nodule is enlarging over time.**



Subsolid nodules with low-level FDG uptake can be malignant.

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