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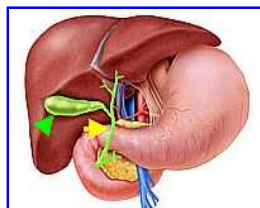
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New Method for Accurate Diagnosis of Gall Bladder Cancer

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Researchers at the University of Granada and the Department of Nuclear Medicine, Hospital Virgen de las Nieves at Granada found that the metabolic imaging diagnosis technique — based on the analysis of a structural analog of glucose labeled with a positron-emitting compound (18F) — allows early diagnosis of gall bladder cancer, a relatively rare disease with high mortality rates among most patients suffering from it.

For the purpose of this study, 62 patients were subjected to this scanning method, which represents the largest sample of patients with gall bladder cancer ever studied by

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applying this type of technology — called FDG positron emission tomography.

The study reported excellent results, significantly better than other structural imaging methods, and enabled more accurate and appropriate diagnosis and treatment of patients, which allows to avoid unnecessary procedures.

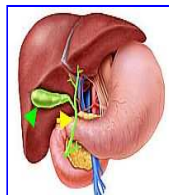
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