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Positron emission tomography (PET) helps doctors and researchers capture detailed three-dimensional images of molecular processes occurring in the body. To obtain those images, they inject a positron-emitting isotope, otherwise known as a radiotracer, into patients or animals and record the radiation emitted with a PET scanner. Compared with other biocompatible isotopes, fluorine-18 remains stable for a relatively long time - its half-life is 109.8 minutes - and is therefore currently the most popular isotope used in radiopharmaceuticals. Chemists design tracers containing ¹⁸F to mimic or target molecules or tissues in the body. For example, fluorodeoxyglucose, a radiolabeled analog of glucose, is used to determine the size, shape and aggressiveness of tumors, which take up more sugars than healthy tissue. The development of new PET probes and new methods for making PET probes will widen the range of biological processes and diseases that can be monitored in the body. [Read more](#) about PET imaging.

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