## Supplementary Materials

Artificial Intelligence enables whole body Positron Emission Tomography Scans with minimal radiation exposure

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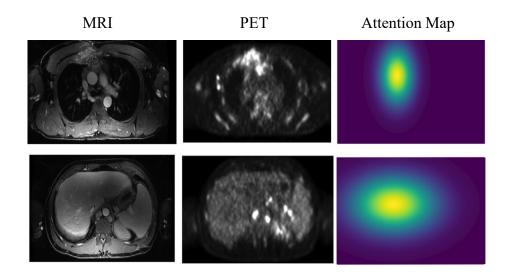
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**Supplementary Fig. 1** Representative examples of the attention mask to attention-weighted loss. The attention map emphasizes the high-clinical-value regions. The top heatmap indicates tumor area and the bottom heatmap highlights the liver area. The idea is that the heatmap pixels near the mass center of the target region have high values, which smoothly but rapidly decrease farther away from the mass center

Anatomical Regions (8)	Refined Regions (20)				
CNS	CNS				
paraspinal	paraspinal				
	lymph nodes				
neck	extralymphatic				
	bone marrow				
	lymph nodes				
arms	extralymphatic				
	bone marrow				
	lymph nodes				
chest	extralymphatic bone marrow				
	lymph nodes				
abdomen	extralymphatic				
	bone marrow				
	lymph nodes				
pelvis	extralymphatic				
	bone marrow				
	lymph nodes				
legs	extralymphatic				
	bone marrow				

**Supplementary Table 1** The regions defined for the region-based clinical evaluation. The clinical imaging experts determined the presence or absence of tumor lesions in 8 anatomical regions including CNS (central nervous system), paraspinal, neck, arms, chest, abdomen, pelvis and legs. For the 8 anatomical regions besides CNS and paraspinal, we further divide them into lymph nodes, extralymphatic and bone marrow, resulting in 20 refined regions in total

Procedure	ТР	FP	TN	FN	Sensivitity (%)	Specificity (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)	Accuracy (%)
Lymp Nodes									
100% standard-dose	175	9	219	11	94.09	96.05	95.11	95.22	95.17
6.25% ultra-low-dose	174	9	219	12	93.55	96.05	95.08	94.81	94.93
AI-reconstructed PET	174	9	219	12	93.55	96.05	95.08	94.81	94.93
Extralymphatic									
100% standard-dose	36	12	360	6	85.71	96.77	75.00	98.36	95.65
6.25% ultra-low-dose	33	11	361	9	78.57	97.04	75.00	97.57	95.17
AI-reconstructed PET	35	11	361	7	83.33	97.04	76.09	98.10	95.65
<b>Bone Marrow</b>									
100% standard-dose	11	11	388	4	73.33	97.24	50.00	98.98	96.38
6.25% ultra-low-dose	11	12	387	4	73.33	96.99	47.83	98.98	96.14
AI-reconstructed PET	11	12	387	4	73.33	96.99	47.83	98.98	96.14
Whole Body									
100% standard-dose	225	32	1099	24	90.36	97.17	87.55	97.86	95.94
6.25% ultra-low-dose	221	32	1099	28	88.76	97.17	87.35	97.52	95.65
AI-reconstructed PET	223	32	1099	26	89.56	97.17	87.45	97.69	95.80

**Supplementary Table 2** Performance of the simulated 6.25% ultra-low-dose PET, 100% standard-dose PET, and the AI-reconstructed PET for tumor detection for the Stanford cohort of 23 patients. Sensitivities, specificities, PPV (positive predictive value), NPV (negative predictive values) and balanced accuracies for the detection of pediatric malignancies are calculated across the three image modalities. There was no statistically significant difference in all metrics between different image modalities.

Parameter	Procedure	ТР	FP	TN	FN	Sensitivity	Specificity	PPV	NPV	Balanced.Accuracy
Lymph Nodes	100% standard-dose	28	0	38	0	100	100	100	100	100
	6.25% ultra-low-dose	25	0	38	3	89	100	100	93	95
	AI-reconstructed PET	26	0	38	2	93	100	100	95	96
Extralymphatic	100% standard-dose	4	0	62	0	100	100	100	100	100
	6.25% ultra-low-dose	3	0	62	1	75	100	100	98	88
	AI-reconstructed PET	3	0	62	1	75	100	100	98	88
<b>Bone Marrow</b>	100% standard-dose	5	0	61	0	100	100	100	100	100
	6.25% ultra-low-dose	2	0	61	3	40	100	100	95	70
	AI-reconstructed PET	4	0	61	1	80	100	100	98	90
Whole Body	100% standard-dose	37	0	183	0	100	100	100	100	100
	6.25% ultra-low-dose	30	0	183	7	81	100	100	96	91
	AI-reconstructed PET	33	0	183	4	89	100	100	98	95

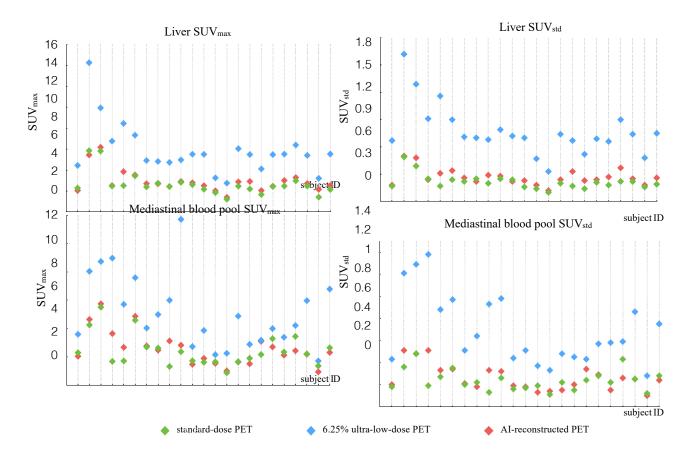
**Supplementary Table 3** Performance of the simulated 6.25% ultra-low-dose PET, 100% standard-dose PET, and the AIreconstructed PET for tumor detection for the Tuebingen cohort of 11 patients. Sensitivities, specificities, PPV (positive predictive value), NPV (negative predictive values) and balanced accuracies for the detection of pediatric malignancies are calculated across the three image modalities. There was no statistically significant difference in all metrics between different image modalities.

Parameter	Procedure	Weighted Kappa (Linear)	Weighted Kappa (Quadratic)	
	100% standard-dose	1.000	1.000	
Lymph Nodes	6.25% ultra-low-dose	0.887	0.906	
	AI-reconstructed PET	0.926	0.959	
	100% standard-dose	1.000	1.000	
Extralymphatic	6.25% ultra-low-dose	0.758	0.790	
	AI-reconstructed PET	0.849	0.849	
	100% standard-dose	1.000	1.000	
Bone Marrow	6.25% ultra-low-dose	0.316	0.346	
	AI-reconstructed PET	0.735	0.787	
Whole Body	100% standard-dose	1.000	1.000	
	6.25% ultra-low-dose	0.834	0.852	
	AI-reconstructed PET	0.912	0.937	

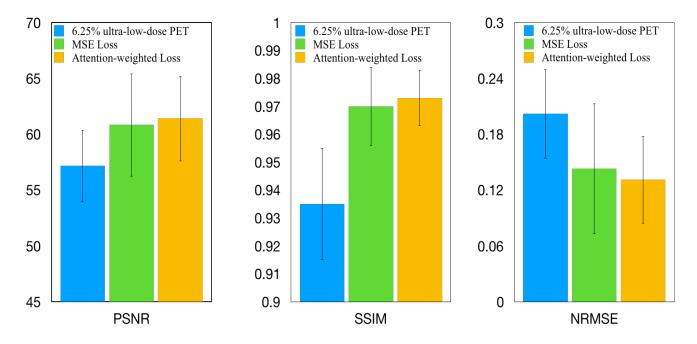
Supplementary Table 4 Agreement between expert reviewer tumor diagnoses on 100% standard-dose <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET and simulated 6.25% ultra-low-dose <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET and AI-reconstructed <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET scans (Tuebingen data set). One expert reviewers determined the presence of absence of tumor lesions in 20 anatomical regions per patient according to a Likert scale (1 - tumor definitely not present, 2 - tumor probably not present, 3 - undecided, 4 - tumor probably present, 5 - tumor definitely present). The agreement between 100% standarddose PET images and 6.25% ultra-low-dose 18F-FDG PET and AI-reconstructed 18F-FDG PET scans was calculated with weighted Kappa estimates.

	100% standard-dose PET (N=37)	6.25% ultra-low-dose PET (N=30)	AI-reconstructed PET (N=33)	
Lesion.SUVmax				
Mean (SD)	7.28 (4.97)	9.66 (5.33)	6.76 (4.88)	
Median [Q1, Q3]	5.72 [3.58, 8.48]	8.46 [6.20, 10.6]	5.30 [3.95, 8.13]	
Lesion.SUV.mean				
Mean (SD)	4.45 (3.61)	4.70 (3.36)	4.33 (3.37)	
Median [Q1, Q3]	3.52 [2.24, 5.49]	3.85 [2.85, 5.34]	3.60 [2.32, 4.94]	
	100% standard-dose PET (N=11)	6.25% ultra-low-dose PET (N=11)	Al-reconstructed PET (N=11)	
Liver.SUV_max				
Mean (SD)	2.13 (0.492)	4.07 (2.36)	1.99 (0.601)	
Median [Q1, Q3]	2.06 [1.87, 2.40]	3.81 [3.01, 4.46]	2.04 [1.78, 2.30]	
Liver.SUV_mean				
Mean (SD)	1.53 (0.273)	1.40 (0.448)	1.40 (0.398)	
Median [Q1, Q3]	1.55 [1.46, 1.64]	1.42 [1.24, 1.64]	1.40 [1.27, 1.60]	
Liver.SUV_std				
Mean (SD)	0.194 (0.0644)	0.642 (0.281)	0.198 (0.0846)	
Median [Q1, Q3]	0.190 [0.150, 0.225]	0.600 [0.505, 0.740]	0.210 [0.145, 0.235]	

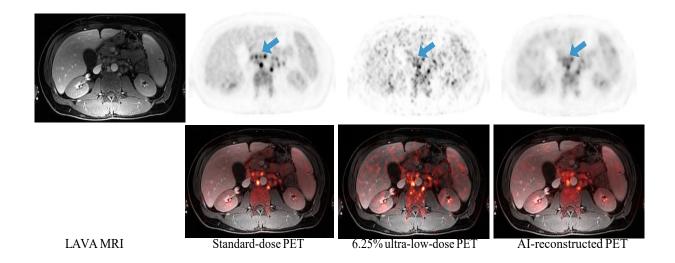
Supplementary Table 5. Standardized uptake values (SUV), as measured on 100% standard-dose 18F-FDG PET, simulated 6.25% ultra-low-dose 18F-FDG PET and AI-reconstructed 18F-FDG PET scans. Data represent mean and median SUVmax, SUVmean and SUVstd values of representative tumors (numbers of evaluated tumors are listed under each modality) and the liver (n=11 for each modality).



**Supplementary Fig. 2** *SUV<sub>max</sub>* and *SUV<sub>std</sub>* distribution at liver and mediastinal blood pool per different baseline scans (23 in total) and different PET modalities (3 in total) - standard-dose PET, 6.25% ultra-low-dose PET and AI-reconstructed PET. a). *SUV<sub>max</sub>* at liver; b). *SUV<sub>std</sub>* at liver; c). *SUV<sub>max</sub>* at mediastinal blood pool; d). *SUV<sub>std</sub>* at mediastinal blood pool; The simulated 6.25% ultra-low-dose PET has significantly higher *SUV<sub>max</sub>* and *SUV<sub>std</sub>* due to increased image noise and poor image quality. The AI-reconstructed PET recovers the image quality and retains *SUV<sub>max</sub>* and *SUV<sub>std</sub>* to the level of the ground truth standard-dose PET



**Supplementary Fig. 3** The quantitative performance comparison with and without attention-weighted loss. Image quality metrics - peak signal-to-noise ratio (PSNR), structural similarity (SSIM) and normalized root mean square error (NRMSE) - compare images from 6.25% ultra-low-dose PET, the AI-reconstructed PET by traditional mean square error (MSE) loss model, and the AI-reconstructed PET by the attention-weighted MSE loss model. For the three metrics, the comparison is to the ground truth standard-dose PET. The reconstructed images generated from the attention-weighted MSE loss model is superior for all three metrics



**Supplementary Fig. 4** Limitations of the study. PET/MRI scan of a 30-year old male patient with Hodgkin lymphoma (HL). Some small lymph nodes are less well delineated on the AI-reconstructed PET compared to the original standard-dose PET. The blue arrow points to the sub-centimeter hypermetabolic lymph nodes which were better delineated on the AI reconstructed scan than on the 6.25% dose scan. The AI reconstructed scan does not discriminate each small individual lesion as well as the original 100% standard-dose scan