

**DR. CHARLES K. METZGER'S SATURDAY EVENING NEWSLETTER**

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**Urology Today (podcast)**

Jun 22, 2023 [Urology Times staff](#)

**“Dr. Schuster highlights the FDA approval of imaging agent flutufolastat F 18 in prostate cancer”.**

<https://www.urologytimes.com/view/dr-schuster-highlights-the-fda-approval-of-imaging-agent-flutufolastat-f-18-in-prostate-cancer>

Good evening! I hope you are staying cool and enjoying your weekend. I have two interesting articles for tonight. First, a podcast describing how flutufolastat F 18 works, the research process to show it's effectiveness and implications for its use in fighting prostate cancer. **David M. Schuster, MD, FACR**, highlights the recent FDA approval of flutufolastat F 18 (POSLUMA), a PSMA-PET imaging agent in prostate cancer. Dr. Schuster is professor of radiology and imaging sciences and the director of the division of nuclear medicine and molecular imaging at my alma mater, Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Urology Today**

Jul 26, 2023 [Jason M. Broderick](#) & [Chris Ryan](#)

**“NCCN adds flutufolastat F 18 to prostate cancer guidelines”**

<https://www.urologytimes.com/view/nccn-adds-flutufolastat-f-18-to-prostate-cancer-guidelines>

Next, The National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) has added flutufolastat F 18 (formerly <sup>18</sup>F-rhPSMA-7.3; trade name, Posluma) to its clinical practice guidelines for prostate cancer (version 2.2023), according to Blue Earth Diagnostics, the developer of the PSMA-PET imaging agent.

Bottom line is Posluma is a safe method of detecting Mets in patients with intermediate and high risk prostate cancers and is as least as effective as gallium 68 towards discovering Mets. What's not discussed in the attached articles is the ease of producing F 18 in a cyclotron versus Ga 68. Thus, F 18 may become more abundant thus expanding the use of theranostics.

Have a great Sunday and we all look forward to seeing you at our next support groups and presentations.

Warmly,

CKM