Usefulness of ¹⁸FDG-PET in assessing the therapeutic effects of intraarterial concurrent chemoradiotherapy for head and neck cancer

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Abstract

The present study investigated the usefulness of ¹⁸FDG-PET in assessing the therapeutic effects of intraarterial concurrent chemoradiotherapy for head and neck cancer. Subjects were 3 patients in whom intraarterial concurrent chemoradiotherapy was performed at our hospital, after which ¹⁸FDG-PET was conducted in order to assess the therapeutic effects. Therapeutic effects were assessed in terms of tumor radioactivity at 40-50 and 50-60 minutes after ¹⁸FDG administration in relation to the administered ¹⁸FDG dosage. The results of the present study suggest that 18FDG-PET is useful in assessing the therapeutic effects of intraarterial concurrent chemoradiotherapy.